

In the Name of God Amen. I Samuel Sanders of the State of North Carolina & County of Currituck, being in a Low State of Health but in a sound & sobering mind & Memory, knowing the uncertainty of Life & that it is appointed for all men once to die, I have for my last will & Testament, & in the first place I Recommend my Soul to almighty God that gave it me & my body to be buried at the discretion of my Executors & as for touching my worldly Estate that God has been pleased to bless me with, I give & dispose of it in the following manner & form.

Item, I Leave to my dear beloved wife Elizabeth Sanders, the house & the plantation & all the Land that pertains & belongs to me, from David Shepards Loan to the break westward of my House, from known by the name of Mc Kains break & out to the Road & from the Road as my Land may run as it is where on I now live, during this natural Life or widowhood & after my wife decease or Marriage, then to be given as will be here after mentioned, I also Leave to my aforesaid wife, all my personal property, within doors & without, that is belonging to the house & plantation whereon I now Live. During the same time as the first Lady mentioned, only I except to my two Daughters Mary Sanders & Mary Sanders, that if both or either of my two above mentioned Daughters should marry before the decease or marriage of my wife then my will & desire is for both or either of them to have one feather Bed & furniture & each of them a Little spinning wheel & a horse or mare to each of them if it is to be had, but in case of the least about ten pounds, in sum other Articles & Money & also for each of them to have what less pounds and in sum kind of personal Property or money, to them & their heirs for ever.

Item, I now give & bequeath to my three sons Daniel Sanders, James Sanders & William Sanders, all the Land & Improvements that I now own Lying between David Shepards Loan & the break as before mentioned. Mc Kains break to be Equally divided between them three by my Executors they choosing three more Good judicious Men to assist them in dividing the Land without Let or hindrance & my desire is that according to the goodness & worth & ability Land & Improvements so it may be divided & that my son David may have the part where my House now stands, only I except one hundred acres of the above mentioned Land out at the head & westward part of the Land to be given to one of my other sons & should my son David die without heir Lawfully begotten of his body, that then his part of Land shall be Equally divided between the other of my two sons above mentioned Daniel & William

then their heirs & assigns for ever. Now my wife & children further as due at the time my son Daniel Sanders, Deceased of his part of the Land, that then my Executors shall apply to the Court for a Surveynor to be by them appointed to see to the conducting & managing of his property & to keep him from suffering. Item I give to my son John Sanders & bequeath on him the Land & plantation I purchased of Mr Sanders Lying on Hawks break adjoining my brother James Sanders & also one hundred acres of Land Lying on Bails Creek I purchased of Daniel Rogers to him his heirs & assigns for ever.

Item, I give & bequeath to my son James Sanders one hundred acres of Land Lying on Hawks break & bequeath that I purchased of Ephraim Hattery with the Improvements that are on, & also I give my son James one hundred acres of Land Lying at the head & westward part of the Land whereon I now Live, that is Excepted in my other gift of Land before mentioned to Daniel & William Williams. As his heirs & assigns for ever. Item, I give & bequeath to my son Samuel Sanders, the Land & plantation I purchased of John Oleson Lying on the westward end of Hawks Creek & the Land & plantation purchased of Richard Sanders on the same side of Hawks Creek, to him his heirs & assigns for ever.

Item I now set forth & make known my last will & desire all the I have first Left to my beloved Wife Elizabeth all my personal Estate during her natural Life or widowhood, yet I now desire to alter that so fair as to have all my negroes hired out that is old & rough to bring wages by my Executors annely & the money put to the use of educating my three children & having them as is here mentioned Samuel Sanders William Sanders & Sarah Sanders.

Item, My will & desire now is that at my wifes death or marriage day, that all my personal Estate within doors & without, that I have not all ready given away may be exposed to public Auction By my Executors, for nine months credits the whole amount of the sale to be Equally divided between all my children that is Lawfully begotten of my body.

I now Recove & protest against all other wills here to fore by me made, Verbally or in writing acknowledging this to be my Last will & Testament. I now nominate nominate & appoint my good & truly friends Jacob Weeks Junr. Daniel Sanders & Branch Weeks my whole & sole Executors to the my Last will and Testament, as I sign here publish & approve & explain this to be my last will & Testament, Signed Sealed & declared.

Isaac Taylor

Wm. Russell.

Samuel Sanders

February Term 1790. When this Last will & Testament of Daniel Sanders, deceased, was proven in open Court by the oath of William Russell & Isaac Taylor, at the same time Daniel Sanders & Jacob Weeks Junr. acted as Executors to said Estate.

Test Henry G. Gifford Clerk.

In the Name of God Amen, I Thomas Sanders of the County of Me. Carolina and Portant County being sick and weak of Body But of sound and perfect sense and knowing that I am to go to god for the same, but Calling to mind the mortality of my Body and knowing that it is once appointed for all men here to make and ordain this my Last will and Testament in form as follows, first I Recommend my soul to god who first gave it and my Body to the dust from whence it came and for what worldly goods it has pleased god to bestow on me my will and desire is that they shall be disposed of in the following manner. First my will and desire is that my wife Mary Sanders have the Lorn of all my Lands and all other property that I own during her Remaining my widow. I give and Bequeath unto my son Thomas Sanders the Land and plantation whereon I now live, also fifty acres adjoining of it which I purchased to him and his heirs for ever. Next. My will and desire is that the Remaining part of my Estate be Equally Divided between all my Children at the Marriage or death as the Case may be of my 1st wife Mary Sanders and Lastly I do make and ordain my Loving wife Mary Sanders Executrix and my friend David Russell Executor of this my Last will and Testament. Making nul and void all former wills by me made, acknowledging this only to be my Last will and Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal, this 31st day of August A.D. 1794.

In presence of
 Reubin Wallis
 Thomas ^{his} Wilson.
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Thomas ^{his} Sanders
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August Term 1795.

When this Will was proved in open Court by the oath of Thomas Wilson, at the same time David Russell Disqualified as Executor and Return a Inventory. Test Benj^a Telford C. C.

In the Name of god Amen, September 1st twenty third Day 1795. I Thomas Smith of the County of Carter and in the province of North Carolina being very sick and weak of my Body but of a perfect mind and knowing that I am to go to almighty god for the same, therefore Calling to mind the mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all men here to die, I do make and ordain this to be my Last will and Testament that is to say first and chiefly of all I Recommend my soul into the hands of almighty god that gave it and nothing doubting but that the general resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of god and my Body to be buried in a Christian like and decent burial at the discretion of my Executors and as touching all such worldly Estate whereunto it hath pleased god to bless me in this life I give and Bequeath of the same in the following manner and form I do leave my Land to be Equally Divided between my two sons John Smith and Reubin Smith according to the bequest which has been made by me before hand. Next, I give to my Beloved wife Mary Smith all my movable Estate during life or until she is dead and after her death or widowhood to be Equally Divided amongst all my Children and my desire is any of my Children that will live with their mother and take care of her that they may have the same Liberty they have now.

I do nominate and appoint my wife Mary Smith Executors and my son John Smith Executor to be my legal and lawful Executors of this my Last will and Testament.

Test
 John Lewis
 Reubin Smith

Thomas ^{his} Smith
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July Term 1796.

When the Last Will and Testament of Thomas Smith dec^d was proven in open Court by the oath of John Lewis, at the same time John Smith Qualifying Executor to said will.

Test, Benj^a Telford C. C.