

In the Name of God Amen
 I Robert Bernard of the County of Currituck
 and State of North Carolina former being in a declining State of Health
 and not knowing how soon I may be taken out of this life, do make this
 my last will and testament in manner and form following, that is Recommended
 My soul to Almighty God, and my body to be buried decently at the
 Discretion of my Executors hereafter named and as for my worldly
 Estate wherewith it hath been pleased God to bless me with I give and dispose
 of it in the following Manner.

1st I give to my wife Margaret Bernard the land and Plantation
 near the River whereon she formerly lived also four Negroes which had by her
 vizt Negro man mine & son George & 3rd & one Negro Child the son of Selby
 Thier Cous and Cous & one old Black which is now over the River one living
 Chair & harness & one barrel more which had by her. During her lifetime
 Life also one feather bed & furniture

2nd I give and bequeath to my son Willoughby Bernard that piece
 of land called hills clearing & fifty acres of swamp land back of Jope
 Gregorys one Negro man and old Ben & his first Child of all my stock
 of hoes & all my wearing clothes

3rd I give and bequeath unto my Grandy Bernard the south end of my
 Land and Plantation whereon I now live as far as a ditch against Mr.
 Brinkhams Dells how & so as that ditch runs through towards North clearing
 and one Negro woman named old Jenny also my half of a Negro man
 named Mustapha after Peggy Danges death.

4th I give and bequeath unto my son Edmond Bernard the North end of my
 Land and Plantation whereon I now live and all the lands thereon
 appearing it not given away and one Negro man named Charles

5th I give and bequeath to my daughter Clea Bernard the land & Plantation
 which I bought of William Gray and all the swamp I bought of Thomas
 Lerry & a piece of land I bought of Joseph Bell and the one half of a
 Negro woman more & her Child now in the possession of Joseph Dange
 All the remainder of my estate I leave to be sold to pay my just debts &
 and the remainder after paying my debts, my desire that it shall
 be equally divided between my wife Margaret Bernard & her the
 Willoughby Grandy Edmond & Clea Bernard lastly I nominate and
 appoint my friends Willoughby Dange son of Samuel Dange & son
 James my Executors to this my last will & to be for witnesses wherof I
 herewith set my hand & fixed my seal this 26th day of October 1801.

Signed Sealed Published & Proclaimed
 in the presence of
 Test Willoughby Dange Junr
 Peggy Dange Charles Junr
 Robert Bernard
 Reexamined this 14th day of June 1801
 Wm. Baxter D. 666

I Samuel Jasper of the County of Currituck and State of North Carolina
 Being of sound Memory but considering the mortality of the body do will and devise
 what I property it hath been pleased the Almighty to bless me with as follows.

1st I wish my Executors with the advice of my wife to sell as much of my
 property (such as she can best spare) as will discharge every lawful claim
 against my estate

2nd I leave the use of all my property both real and personal to my wife
 Lucy Jasper during her widowhood and after her intermarriage should
 that be the case be after her death I give and devise as follows

3rd After the intermarriage or death of my wife I give and bequeath to
 my son Samuel all the land and marsh and Wharfe together with all
 the improvements thereon that I am now possessed with to him
 and his heirs lawfully begotten of his body forever

4th After the death or intermarriage of my wife I give and bequeath unto
 my four Children Sally Betty Lucy Samuel & Catty Tyler Jaspers
 all the residue of my property both Negroes stocks household and
 kitchen furniture and every other species of property unto me belonging
 as thorough fair Island in North River entered by Capt. Cub White dec.
 with Capt. Simmons entry to be as may be seen on record also my part
 of my Grants Swamp formerly purchased by Edward Doughty to be
 appraised and equally divided amongst said five Children as their
 shares lawfully begotten on their bodies forever and either of said Children
 should die without lawful issue its part or legacy to return to the
 surviving Children namely Sally Betty Lucy Samuel & Catty Tyler
 or the Survivors of them forever

5th I wish my wife to make all the profits she can by hiring out the Negroes
 sailing or holding Schooner harmony for discharging my debts & supporting
 my Children during her widowhood

6th I appoint Capt. John Mackie & Col. Address Duke my sole
 Executors to this my last will desiring them as the last service they can
 render me to see this my last Request and desire punctually fulfilled
 according to the express meaning and to see my Children well
 educated and watch over their morals and at 14 years of sufficient
 age to seek some Mechanical Occupation for Samuel: such as he seems
 most propense to provided his mother dies or marries I desire him never
 to come under a father in law or any man save either of my Executors
 or such Master as they shall or may think proper in testimony
 whereof I have set my hand 28th August one thousand eight
 hundred and Ninety Eight

Witness John F. Hammond
 Samuel Jasper
 Reexamined this 14th day of June 1801
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