

Nancy Ashbee the land and plantation whereon I now live together with the household furniture, which I am at this time possessed with, also all the negroes which I have at this time in my possession, and all my stock of horses, cattle, hogs &c for the use and benefit of educating and raising my children to have them taught reading, writing and Arithmetic, as far as the rule of three, provided they are able and willing, to take it, during her natural life or widowhood, and at her death or marriage I give the land and plantation whereon I now live to my son Solomon Ashbee, to him and his heirs lawfully begotten of his body forever.

Item, I give and bequeath to my son Joseph Ashbee, all my lands lying to the southward and eastward of the plantation whereon I now live on Roanoke Island. I also give to my son Joseph Ashbee fifty acres of land lying on Croatan known by the name of Burrows point to him and his heirs lawfully begotten of his body forever. Item my will and desire is that if either of my two sons Joseph or Solomon should die without heirs lawfully begotten of their body that the land of the decedent should descend to the surviving brother to him and his heirs lawfully begotten of his body forever.

Item, the land that came by my wife lying joining Adam Ethridge and Maurice Baum's land, I give and bequeath to my five daughters (to wit) Polly Ashbee, Ann Baum, Fanny Ashbee, Sally Ashbee and Winiford Ashbee to be equally divided share and share alike to them and their heirs lawfully begotten of their body forever; but if either of my daughters should die without heirs as aforesaid, that her part should be equally divided among the surviving parties to them and their heirs forever.

Item, I give and bequeath to my daughter Polly Ashbee one negro girl by the name of Violet, two cows and calves, one feather bed and furniture to her, and her heirs lawfully begotten forever.

Item, I give and bequeath to my daughter Ann Baum one negro girl by the name of Jane, two cows and calves and one bed and furniture, which she hath now in possession to her, and her heirs lawfully begotten of her body forever.

Item, I give and bequeath unto my son Joseph Ashbee one negro boy by the name of Jack, two cows and calves, and one feather bed and furniture, to him and his heirs lawfully begotten of his body forever.

Item, I also give unto my son Joseph Ashbee after my wife's decease, two thirds of the schooner Winney, and the third to my son Solomon Ashbee, to him and

their heirs forever, and if either party dies without issue lawfully begotten as aforesaid, that the surviving party to have the whole with every thing thereunto belonging.

Item, I give and bequeath unto my daughter Sally Ashbee one negro girl by the name of Moll, two cows and calves and one feather bed and furniture to her, and her heirs lawfully begotten of her body forever.

Item, I give and bequeath to my daughter Winiford Ashbee one negro boy by the name of March, two cows and calves, and one feather bed and furniture, to her, and her heirs lawfully begotten of her body forever.

Item, I give and bequeath to my son Solomon Ashbee one negro boy by the name of London, two cows and calves, and one feather bed and furniture to him, and his heirs lawfully begotten of his body forever.

Item, all the rest and residue of my estate be it of what nature or kind it may, which death not before already given away in legacies, I leave to be equally divided among all my children after my wife's decease, together with one negro man by the name of Mory, now outlying which if ever caught, I leave to be sold to the highest bidder, and the money whoso shall please to be converted to the use of my children.

Lastly, I nominate constitute and appoint my loving wife Nancy Ashbee, and my daughter Polly Ashbee Executors and my son in law Maurice Baum executor to this my last will and Testament, in testimony of which the said Solomon Ashbee hath hereunto set his hand and affixed his seal this second day of October in the year of our Lord 1801.

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the said Solomon Ashbee to be his last will and Testament in the presence of us

Jacob + Beasley,
mark
Adam Ethridge,
Recorded & Examined this day of

Solomon Ashbee (Seal)

State of N. Carolina: Currituck County
In the name of God Amen.
I Sarah West, being in a good and sound state of health, at present and Memory thanks be God for it, and knowing that it may once appointed for all men and woman to die, and after death a judgment, for which I think it proper or necessary to make this my last will and Testament, viz
I give and bequeath to son Joshua West one dollar, and my

daughter Sarah Hill the property that I have already lent or give her, and to her heirs if any by her body forever, and if no heirs or heirs of her body, the said property to be equally divided among Solomon Wallis' heirs. And my daughter Courtney Wallis I give and bequeath one dollar to her forever. And as for all the rest of property to praised and divided into three parts, and one third of the said property after divided to Sarah Hill as afore-mentioned if any heirs of her body, and if not, to Solomon Wallis' heirs, to be equally divided as before mentioned and as for the other two thirds of my property which is all I give and bequeath to the heirs of Courtney & Solomon Wallis' forever, and none of it to be sold, but keep for said heirs till they come to age or said Solomon Wallis dies, which as Joint, Young & Cowell my whole and sole executor of this my last will and Testament, and also as Guardian to take care of the said property till said heirs come to age, or needs as a recommendation. This the 19th of October 1804.

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Calib, Glasgow

Sarah & West
mark

Recorded & Examined the day of

In the name of God Amen.

I Mary Waterfield, being very sick and weak in body, but perfect in mind and memory, thanks be to the Almighty God for it, calling unto mind the uncertainty of life and knowing it is appointed unto all people once to die, do constitute and appoint this my last will and Testament in which I do give my soul to the Lord who gave it, and do leave my body to be buried in a Christian like manner, at the discretion of my executors, and my worldly goods in the manner, and form up following. Ver. I give and bequeath unto my son John Waterfield Wallis, the land and house whereon he lives, also one feather bed and its furniture, and all the other household furniture, and kitchen furniture, that is at the said place, and the one half of all my stock of cattle, and every other kind of stock, to him and his heirs forever. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Polly Hall, the negro woman named Franky, one feather bed & its furniture, which is now in her possession, and every thing she now has in possession, such as household furniture, and the one half of all my stock of cattle,

and every other kind of stock to her and her heirs forever. I give and bequeath unto my grand son Thompson Hall, the son of my daughter, one negro boy named Miff, the son of Franky, to him and his heirs forever. I do nominate, constitute and appoint John Waterfield Wallis and John Hall my whole and sole executors to this my last will and Testament, nothing and disavowing all and every other will or gift by me made. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused my seal to be affixed this sixteenth day of March in the year of our Lord 1814.

Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of us
Jst, Malachi Jones Junr

Mary & Waterfield (Seal)
mark

Esther & Brown
Mark

Recorded & Examined the day of

In the name of God Amen.

I Dracival Dring of the county of Dorset and State of North Carolina, being of sound disposing mind and memory, blessed be the Almighty God for it, calling to mind the uncertainty of this life, and it being ordained for all people to die, I do make and ordain this Testament of writing to contain my last will and Testament, disavowing all other wills and Testaments heretofore made by me, either by word or writing and this only to be taken as my last will and Testament. First, that is to say I recommend my soul to Almighty God, that gave it and my body to be buried decently in a Christian like manner, in a place where it shall please my executors hereafter named, and also what worldly estate it hath pleased God to bestow me for above my debts, I give and dispose of in manner, and form as followeth, First, my will & desire is that all my just debts and funeral charges should be paid in convenient time, after my decease. I then I give unto my brother Azariah Dring ten dollars. I then I give unto my beloved wife Mary all the remainder part of my estate, houses, lands, horses, cattle, sheep, hogs, goats, and negroes, boat, household furniture and all my property to her & her heirs forever. I also constitute and appoint my loving wife Mary and my friend Willoughby Barnell