

In the Name of God Amen 1840

The first day of June Anno dominica One thousand eight hundred & one I Thomas Williams of the State of North Carolina and County of Currituck being sick and weak of body but of good sound memory thanks be given unto God and knowing the uncertainty of this Transitory life and that it is appointed for all men once to die have a mind to settle my worldly Business in Manner and form following that is to say I make and declare this my last will & testament and first and principally I give and bequeath my soul unto God that I gave it hoping through the merits of a divine Redeemer to receive forgiveness and remission of all my sins and my body to be buried in the Earth in such Order as my Executor hereafter named shall think proper. And as for what worldly Goods God hath sent me I give and bequeath as follows Viz.

I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Mary Williams during her life the Plantation and tract of Land bought of James Simpson & Malachi Dudley in lieu of her dower with a Privilege of all the Marshes I own during her life and after her decease I give the said Land of Malachi Dudley unto my Son John Williams during his life Also the said Land bought of James Simpson until my Grand son Joseph White Williams comes of age and after my wife and son John Williams decease I give the said Land unto my Grandson Joseph White Williams Also fifty Acres on Morris Island and twenty five Acres on the west side of the same and one bequest to him this heirs forever &c.

I give unto my son John Williams the Plantation whereon he now lives from a Cattle line from Willis Gwynns Land to William McIntosh's Land all the corners of said line Also twenty Acres of Swampy farming Malachi Jones Land Also twenty five Acres on said Island and twelve and a half Acres on said side of the same to him and his heirs forever &c.

I give unto my son John Williams the Plantation & tract of Land of John Dudley together with all the Swamp and Marsh that has not been given away during his life and after his decease I give it unto my Grandson John Williams to him and his heirs forever &c.

I give unto my son John Williams after my wife's decease One Negro named Daniel one duck one sheep one Mare one bed and furniture to him and his heirs forever &c.

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I give unto my Grand daughter Matthe Williams after my wife's decease One Negro named Nancy and one Negro boy named Dabir one bed and furniture and one chest to her and her heirs forever &c.

I give and bequeath unto my Grand daughter Lydia Williams after my wife's decease One Negro named Dick and one Negro girl named Esther one bed and furniture to her and her heirs forever &c.

I give unto my Grand daughter Lettisha Williams after my wife's decease One Negro named Chana one chest and one Table to her and her heirs forever &c.

I give unto my Grandson John Williams after my wife's decease One Negro named Dinah one chest and one Table to him and his heirs forever &c.

I give all the remainder of my Estate to my beloved wife Mary Williams to her and her heirs forever &c.

Lastly I constitute my beloved wife Mary Williams my son John Williams and Daughter in Law Mary Williams whole and sole Executors of this my last will and Testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the Day and date first written &c.

Signed sealed published
& attested in presence of

The Mark of + Solomon Miller Jurat
The Mark of + Cedar Mason Jurat
The Mark of + Lydia White

Thomas ^{his} Williams ^{Execut}
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