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The last will and Testament of Zachariah. Morse dec'd
Exhibited and proved at February term 1817
In the name of God. Amen.

Zachariah. Morse of Currituck county, and the state of North Carolina, being in a low state of health, but of a sound mind and memory, do make and ordain this my last will and Testament, that is to say. I leave unto my wife Sarah. Morse all my lands and plantations, and all the rest of my property within doors and without, during her widowhood. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Ann Morse one negro boy named Elias, and one linen wheel, to her and her heirs forever. I leave unto my daughter Elizabeth Dorey the use of negro woman Ruth during her life, and after her death I give and bequeath said negro woman Ruth unto all her children. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Elizabeth Dorey the sum of twenty five dollars, to her and her heirs forever. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Polly Wray all the property in her possession, which I have before lent her, and one negro woman named Susannah to her and her heirs forever. I give and bequeath unto my son Thomas Morse, one bed and furniture, one cow and calf, one set of black smith tools, and one hundred dollars in cash of the money I have on hand to him and his heirs forever. I give and bequeath unto my son William B. Morse, that tract of land I bought of John Sparr, one yoke of steers, one bed and furniture, one cow and calf, one ewe and lamb, one sow, and pigs, to him and his heirs forever. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Sarah. Morse and have her to be put at the age of eighteen, one bed and furniture, one linen wheel, one cow and calf, and one negro boy named Mills, to her and her heirs forever. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Julia Morse and leave her to be put under the tuition to the age of fifteen, one bed and furniture, one linen wheel, two hundred dollars in cash of the money I have on hand, and one negro girl child named Fanny, to her and her heirs forever. I give and bequeath unto my two sons David and Wilson A. Morse the land and plantation wherein I now live, to be equally divided between them; also negro man Jack, and one bed and furniture, equally between them and their heirs forever. I also give and bequeath unto my two sons David Morse and Wilson A. Morse all the remainder of my estate not given away in legacies, within doors and without, to be equally divided between them, to them and their heirs forever. I constitute make and ordain my sons Thomas Morse and William B. Morse Executors, and my Sarah. Morse Executrix, to this my last will and testament, hereby revoking and making void all former will and bequeaths by me made, and acknowledging this only, to be my last will and Testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal, this the sixth day of December, and in the fortieth year of the Independence of America, Anno. Domini, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen. Signed, sealed & acknowledged by Zachariah Morse, the Testator, as his last will and Testament, in presence of us.

Holswell Williams
William Matthias

(Signed) Zachariah. Morse
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The last will and Testament of William Lury deceased
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In the name of God, Amen. I William Lury of the state of North Carolina and Currituck county, being low in health, but of a sound and disposing mind and memory, thanks be to God, for the same; knowing that it is appointed for all men one to die, do make and ordain this to be my last will and Testament, in manner following. 1st. I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Phoebe Lury all the property I got by her, when I married her, also one horse called Indian, one riding chair and harness, one cow and yearling, two sows and pigs, two ewes and lambs, and all of the house hold and kitchen furniture, to her and her heirs forever. I also lend to my beloved wife Phoebe Lury one negro woman named Grace, one negro man named Jesse, one negro man named Jeffery, during their natural life. I give and bequeath to my grand daughter Moriam Forbes, after the death of my beloved wife the negro woman named Grace, to her and her heirs forever. Also one bed and furniture, after the death of my wife, to her and her heirs forever. I give and bequeath unto my grand daughter Claricy Forbes, after the death of my wife, one negro man named Jeffery, to her and her heirs forever. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Polly Forbes one negro man named March, one half of the whole of my books, to her and her heirs forever. I also give her the use of that tract of land whereon Nancy Forbes now lives, bounded by a line of marked trees, called sixty acres to my daughter Polly Forbes and her husband Nancy Forbes jointly, during their natural lives, and after the death of either, I give and bequeath the said land to the one who longest survives to him and their heirs forever. I also give and bequeath unto my daughter Polly Forbes one bed and furniture, which she now has in possession, to her and her heirs forever. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Sally Ethridge one desk, two chests and two feather beds and furniture, which she now has in possession, to her and her heirs forever, and one dutch fan, for the use of the plantation. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Moriam Walden twenty shillings, together with the property she has already had, to her full share of my estate, to her and her heirs forever. I give and bequeath unto my son Isaac Jeremiah Ethridge one half of the whole of my books to him and his heirs forever. I give and bequeath to my grand son Eison Ethridge my silver watch, to him and his heirs forever. I give the use of one negro man Jesse after the death of my wife, to my daughter Sally Ethridge, during her natural life and after the death of my daughter Sally Ethridge, I give and bequeath him the said negro man Jesse to my grand daughter Penelope Ethridge, to her and her heirs forever. It is my will and desire that if my old negro man Jonas should live until he cannot support himself, that he should be supported out of my estate. My will and desire is that the remainder of my estate not already given away, shall be sold by my Executors, and after paying my last debts funeral expenses, that the money arising therefrom, shall be equally divided between my wife and my daughter Polly Forbes and Sally Ethridge, during their natural lives, and after their death of one, I give and bequeath all the money arising from the sales of my estate to the survivor, to them and their heirs forever.

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Lastly, I nominate and appoint my two sons in law Percy Forbes and
Jenniah Thridge Executors to this my last will and Testament, revoking
all former will by me made &c. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set
my hands and seal this twenty fifth day of March, one thousand eight
hundred and sixteen
Signed sealed, published and } (signed) William Lundy Esq
declared in the presence of }
B. Bell
C. B. Bell Jurat }

Recorded and examined the

The last will and Testament of Lydia Stephens deceased Exhibited
and proved at Feb'y term 1817

In the name of God, Amen. I Lydia Stephens, being sick and weak of
body, but of sound and disposing mind and memory, and calling to mind the
uncertainty of human life and that it is appointed for man to die, do make and ordain
this my last will and Testament, in manner and form following. I pray in
I give and bequeath to William Thompson, one negro man named Charles, one
negro woman named Lucy, to him and his heirs lawfully begotten of his body,
and if he dies without as aforesaid, the aforesaid negroes, to return from whence they
came. I give and bequeath to Edmund S. Beachum one negro girl
named Peg, to him and his heirs lawfully begotten of his body, and if he dies without
heir as aforesaid, the aforesaid negro girl, to go to William Thompson and his heirs
forever. Lastly, my will and desire is that Hosea Ball be, and is hereby appointed
Executor to this my last will and Testament. In witness whereof I have
hereunto set my hands and affixed my seal, this 24th day of January 1817.

Test Thomas Simmons Jurat 1/3 (signed) Lydia Stephens seal
Hosea Ball mark

Recorded and examined the day of

The last will and Testament of George Poyner deceased
Exhibited and proved at Feb'y term 1817.

In the name of God, Amen. I George Poyner of the county of Currituck
and state of North Carolina, being very sick and weak in ~~body~~ or perfect health
body, but of sound and perfect mind and memory, thanks be given unto God, calling
unto mind the mortality of my body, and acknowledging that it is appointed, for all men
once die, do make and ordain this my last will and Testament, that is to say,
principally and first of all, I give and recommend my soul into the hands
of Almighty God, that gave it, and my body I recommend to the earth, to be buried
in a decent christian burial at the discretion of my executors, nothing doubting, but at
the Resurrection, I shall receive the same again, by the Almighty power of God;
and as touching such worldly estate wherewith it hath pleased god to bless
me, in this life, I give devise and dispose of the same, in the following manner
and form. I give unto Robert Salysars eight acres of land, beginning
at a hollow sowerwood, running northeast to a hollow set gum, thence on a

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straight course to Samuel Salysars line, thence along Salysars line to Isaac Paves
line, thence along Paves line, so far as will contain eight acres, and thence to the first
station. I then I lend unto Harvey Biglo Poyner, all my cleared land, beginning
at Powers Poyner's gate post, thence running along Powers Poyner's line up to the corner of
my orchard, thence from the corner of my orchard so far as to take in all my out houses
and 1/2 of a cedar post, thence a straight course to a clipped white oak, thence
along the path to the first station, to have the privilege of firewood and rail timber
as will support the said house and lands, during her life, and after her death, for it
is to go to Jesse Poyner and his heirs lawfully begotten of his body, to them forever.
I then I lend unto Jesse Poyner all the remainder of my lands, and his heirs lawfully
begotten of his body, to them forever. Likewise, I give Harvey Biglo Poyner as much
of my corn and pork as will last her one year, and all the remainder of estate to be
sold, to pay my debts. Likewise, I appoint, constitute, make and ordain valid Tutor
the sole Executor of this my last will and Testament, and do hereby, after my death,
revoke and disannul all and every other former testaments, Wills, legacies, bequests
and Executors by me in any wise, before named, willed and bequeathed, ratifying
and confirming this and no other to be my last will and Testament. In witness
whereof, I have hereunto set my hands and seal, this twenty ninth day of November
in the year of our lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen. Signed, sealed,
published, pronounced and declared, by the said George Poyner, as this his last
will and Testament in the presence of us, who in his presence, and in the presence of each other, have hereunto subscribed our
names. I give George
James Williamson 1/3 Jurat day of

Recorded and examined the

The last will and Testament of William Tatum deceased Exhibited
and proved at May term 1817
In the name of God, Amen.

I William Tatum of the county of Currituck
and state of North Carolina, being in health of body, and sound mind and
memory, at this period, calling to mind the mortality of this life, and knowing
it is once appointed for all men to die, do make and publish this instrument
of writing to be and contain my last will and Testament (disavowing all
other will or wills) in manner and form as follows. I give
I then I lend unto my loving wife Winney Tatum, the land and plantation
whercon I now live, and one half of the marsh, that I bought of James White
to her widowhood or natural life, and after her marriage or death, then
I give the same to my son Peter Lugg Tatum, to him and his heirs forever,
and likewise, I give unto my son Peter Lugg Tatum one negro man by the
name of Frank, to him and his heirs forever; also I give unto my son Peter
Lugg Tatum one feather bed and bedstead and furniture, first choice, to
him and his heirs forever; and I give to my son Peter Lugg Tatum, one desk
and book case, and one Walnut table, likewise, I give him my watch
and wearing apparel, to him and his heirs forever; and one chest that
was called my chest, to him and his heirs forever. I then I give unto my
wife Winney Tatum, all the corn and pork in the house when I die, and
likewise all the corn and wheat that is growing on the land, at the time