

The last will and Testament of Zachariah Taylor deceased
Exhibited and proved at May Term 1816

In the name of God. Amen. I Zachariah Taylor, 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 all men once to die, do make and ordain this my last will and Testament, in manner and form following. I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Elizabeth Taylor, all my estate within doors and without, during her natural life, except fifty acres of marsh land, and three cows, I leave to be sold for six months credit, to pay my debts. Item. And after the decease of my wife Elizabeth Taylor to be equally divided between my daughter Fanny Taylor and my sons Jesse Taylor and Samuel Taylor to them and their heirs forever. Testily. I will and desire that Benjamin Taylor be and are hereby appointed, constituted and ordained Executor to this my last will and Testament. In witness whereof I the aforesaid Zachariah Taylor have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 4th day of February 1816. Signed, sealed and delivered in presence of us. — (signed) Zachariah Taylor
 Flora Ball Just
 Samuel Henderson } Recorded and examined the day of —

The last will and Testament of Southward Waterfield
deceased Exhibited and proved at May term 1815.

In the name of God. Amen. I Southward Waterfield of the state of North Carolina and county of Currituck, being very sick and weak of body, but perfect in mind and memory, thanks be to Almighty God for it, and calling unto mind the mortality of man, and knowing it is appointed unto all men once to die, and being of mind to dispose of my worldly goods, do it by this my last will. First of all I give my soul to the Lord, who gave it, and my body to be buried in a Christian like manner, at the discretion of my executors, and dispose of my worldly goods as follows. Item. I leave the use of all my property, both real and personal to my wife Sarah Waterfield, during the time she remains my widow, to raise my poor children on, in such way, as she may think most advisable and at her death or marriage to be have the moveable property sold and divided amongst all my children, and my wife if she be alive. Item. I give and bequeath unto my son John Waterfield the east part of my land, divided as the fence now runs, that is to the westward of my house, to have the same at the death or marriage of his mother; also a privilege for fire wood and rail timber off the land I hold in the great swamp, which I bought of Reuben Waterfield; also one bed and furniture, to him and his heirs forever. Item. I give and bequeath unto my son Sandy Waterfield the west part of said land from said fence west of the house to the line of my brother John Waterfield, also a privilege in the before mentioned swamp for firewood and rail timber in like manner as my son John has, also one bed and furniture, to him and his heirs forever.

I also, I give and bequeath unto my son Southward Waterfield the land I bought of Michael Waterfield and Malachi Beasley, which lyeth to the eastward of a piece of land that Pinson White owns, also a privilege for fire wood and rail timber in the swamp, equally with the other two before mentioned John and Sandy, also fifty dollars in money at the time of my property is sold over and above his before mentioned part of said property which is devised on the first gift in this will, to him and his heirs forever. Item. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Peggy Waterfield one bed and furniture five picture plates, also the one half of the property that is not given away, which was devised in the first gift, to her and her heirs forever. Item. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Julia Ann Waterfield one negro man named Jim, also the other half of the remainder of my property that was given in the first gift, to her and her heirs forever. Item. I nominate and appoint my worthy friend Henry Beasley, my uncle and sole Executor to this my last will and Testament, renouncing and making all other former wills by me made. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal caused my seal to be affixed, this 29th day of February 1816. Signed, sealed and delivered (signed) Southward Waterfield in the presence of us —
 Malachi Jones Just
 John B. Jones. } Recorded and examined the day of —

The last will and Testament of John Murrell deceased. Exhibited
and proved at August term 1816

In the name of God. Amen. I John Murrell of the county of Currituck and State of North Carolina, being weak in body, but of sound mind and memory and calling to mind the certainty of death, and the uncertainty of life thereof, do make and publish this my last will and Testament, in manner and form following, that is to say. First of all I recommend my soul into the hands of Almighty God, and my body to the ground, to be buried in a decent manner, at the discretion of my Executors, and as touching what worldly goods it has pleased God to bless me with, I dispose of as follows. 1st Item. I give unto my two sons John Murrell and Samuel Murrell one tract of land, called the McCoy tract, which I bought of John McCoy's vendue, and is marked and bounded agreeable to my deed from Thomas Carril Edge, to be equally divided between them in quantity and quality, but for John to have the end next to the water, and a privilege to get fire wood, and rail timber off the woodland in the other part. Item 2^d. I give unto my son William Murrell one small tract of land, that I bought of James Williams, which is adjoining the land of Grabelle Harrison de? beginning at an oak tree and running a westerly course to Gavitt's line. Item 3^d. I give unto my beloved wife Peggy Murrell one tract of land where the house stands, beginning at a post, and running a northerly and westerly course, to call it Foxey's line. I also give unto my beloved wife all my household and kitchen furniture, also one negro woman named Rachel, and one negro boy named Riddick, all of which she is to keep uninterrupted during her natural life or widowhood. Item 4th. I give unto my daughter Ann after my wife's death or marriage the negro woman Rachel, to her and her heirs forever. Item 5th. I give unto my son Levi after my wife's death or marriage the negro boy Riddick, to him and his heirs forever. 6th. I also give unto my son Levi Murrell after my wife's death or