

Nominate and appoint my friends James Wright
and Charles Hooks Executors to this my last will
and Testament. Signed, Sealed, and Subscribed in presence
of the Wright James Wright, J. Wright.

William ^{his} M^cCurdy

State of N^c Carolina } October Term 1802.
Duplin County.

Then was the within will proved in Court by the
oath of James Wright and Thomas Wright two
of the subscribing witnesses thereto, in due form
of Law and at the same time James Wright and
Charles Hooks the Executors named in the said will
came before the court and Qualified as such according
to Law. Ordered that letters issue accordingly.

Test W^m Dickson C.C.

In the name of God Amen. I Susannah Middleton
of Duplin County State of North Carolina, Being very
sick in body but of a sound disposing mind and
memory do make this my last will and Testament
in the following manner and form Viz: First my
will is that all my just debts be paid first out
of my estate. Then the whole of my property, I give
to my son John James Middleton. But if it
should so happen that he the said John James
Middleton should die before he arrive to the age
of twenty one years then and in that case my
will is that the whole of my property be equally
divided between my brother Abel Johnston and my
two sisters Sarah and Seabell Johnston except one
fether bed which I give to my brother James Johnston.
the same that he now has in his possession.
And further I nominate and appoint my friends
John Wilkinson and my brother James Johnston
executors to this my last will and Testament. Hereby
revoking all former wills. This twenty fourth day of
Nov 1821. Signed Sealed and pronounced in presence of Allen Rigby.
Lewis Chambers

Susannah ^{his} Middleton (Seal)
mark

State of N^c Carolina } January Term 1802.
Duplin County

Then was the within will proved in open Court in
due form of Law by the oath of Allen Rigby and
Lewis Chambers the subscribing witnesses thereto and
at the same time John Wilkinson one of the
Executors named in the said will came before the
court and Qualified as such according to Law.
Ordered that letters issue accordingly.

Test W^m Dickson C.C.

State of North Carolina, Duplin County March 3. rd 1822
In the name of God Amen. I Isaac Middleton Senior
planter of the State and County aforesaid being of an
inferm State of body but of sound mind and memory
do make constitute and ordain this to be my last will
and Testament. And by presents do disannul all former
wills testaments &c. and I resign my soul to the
merciful hands of God who gave it and my body to
be buried in a christian like manner at the discretion
of my Executors &c. And as to the worldly property with
which it has pleased God to bless me with, I give and
bequeath in the following manner Viz: 1st I give and
bequeath unto my beloved wife Jane Middleton. Two
Negroes Viz: Dick and Dilay Slaves to her and her heirs
forever at her own disposal: also two others Slaves
I lend to her during her natural life. Caesar and Esther.
I also give and bequeath unto my beloved wife one mare
by name of Black to her and her heirs forever also
I lend my wife one horse by the name of Stationer
for natural life also six cows and calves one yoke of
oxen and cart also Saddle head sheep and all the hogs
that are on this side of the gown, also four ploughs
two bars and two flumes two quidding horse two
wading hoes and three axes also all my household
and kitchen furniture except three feather beds
and furniture. Secondly. I give and bequeath to my
beloved son Samuel Middleton the following property

viz: The land and plantations whereon he now
 lives. my will is that a dividing line be run
 between my son Samuels land and my son
 Isaacs, beginning at the mouth of spring branch
 and run up said branch to the fork, thence up
 the south prong to the head of the said branch, thence
 a straight line to the said Samuels upper corner
 formerly Shepherds corner, also the three following negroes
 viz: Bolam, Peg and Pegs youngest child one horse one
 cow and hiser one feather bed and furniture to him
 and to his heirs forever all of which he has in
 possession except Peg and her child. Thirdly I give
 and bequeath to my beloved son Isaac Middleton the
 balance of my land on the south side of my
 Mill swamp except one acre adjoining to the
 Mill - also two negro slaves Lewis and Hannah
 one mare and colt one cow and hiser one bed &
 furniture to him and his heirs forever all of which
 he has in possession except the girl Hannah. Fourthly
 I give and bequeath to my beloved son Libanus Middleton
 the following property viz: the Plantation and lands
 where he now lives it is my will that a dividing
 line be run between my son Libanus and my
 son James beginning at the Grove Swamp at the mouth
 of a small branch thence along the fence and
 thence the same corner to the back line, also two
 negro slaves Tom and Kate one horse one cow
 and hiser one feather bed and furniture and my
 blacksmith tools to him and his heirs forever all
 which is in his own possession except the blacksmith
 tools. Fifthly, I give and bequeath to my beloved son
 Amos Middleton the following property viz: all my
 Land on the east side of the Grove Swamp and two
 negro slaves Let and Mag my gray mare one cow
 and hiser one bed and furniture to him and his
 heirs forever. Sixthly I give and bequeath to my beloved
 daughter Elizabeth Brown the following negroes viz: Timm,
 Jenny, and Joe, one horse, one cow and hiser, one bed

and furniture to her and her heirs forever, all which
 she has in possession except negro Joe. Seventhly
 I give and bequeath to my beloved wife my house
 and plantation during her natural life and
 after her decease to belong to my son James and
 further I give and bequeath to my two youngest
 children James and Ann Middleton the following
 negroes viz: Danna, Etha, James, Anthony, Eliza, Eliza,
 and Charles which negroes I wish to remain on
 the plantation with my wife until my two children
 James and Ann comes of age or marries then
 my will is that they and their increase be
 equally divided between my two children James
 and Ann the negro boy Caesar which I lent to my
 wife during her life is to belong to my daughter
 Ann my will is that at the death of wife all my house
 hold and kitchen furniture to belong to my son
 James - my will is that the negroes given to my
 two youngest children remain with my wife
 during her widowhood. Should she get married my will
 is that they be taken and hired out until the
 children comes of age or marries. It is also my will
 and desire that my three negroes Sampson, George, and
 Hagar be sold and the money arising from the sale
 thereof to pay my just debts my funeral expenses,
 and I give to my son Libanus money enough arising
 from the sale of said negroes to pay for three lots of
 land adjoining the land on which he lives now belonging
 to Dorothy Capendria and Mary Quinn and the balance
 of the money to be equally divided between my six
 oldest children - again my will and desire is that
 all the rest of my perishable property that has not
 been mentioned be sold and the money be equally
 divided between my two youngest children. The day
 and date aforesaid, Signed, sealed and in presence of us
 W. Let. A. Morgan, John J. Middleton, I appoint & request
 James Chambers and my son Libanus Middleton to
 be Executors of this my last will and testament.
 Isaac Middleton

Duplin County,

April Term 1820.

Then was the within will proved in Court by the oath of C. Morgan and John S. Middleton and at the same time James Chambers and Libens Middleton the Executors named therein came before the Court and qualified as such according to Law. Ordered that Letters Issue accordingly.

Jas. Pansall Clk.

July the Seventeenth Day in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty two in the name of God amen. I Jesse Millard of the State of North Carolina Duplin County being of sound & perfect mind and memory blessed be god do this Seventeenth Day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty two make and publish this my last will and testament in manner following that is to say first I bequeath unto my beloved wife Betty Millard during her natural life or widowerhood all my lands lying on the house side of the house side of the road beginning at John Bennetts line running as the road runs to Joseph Dickson line I also give and bequeath to my beloved son Isaac Millard the all the same lands which I lent my wife after natural life or widowhood also all that is made of on the land except her support I also give unto my beloved wife Betty Millard Stephen and Tom and all the part coming from her fathers Estate one horse, one his choice one bed and furniture, three cows and calf Stephen I wish to sold at any time when Executor think proper and to buy another with the money and after my wife death the property I left her to be equally divided amongst all hers. I also give and bequeath to my beloved son Kuman Millard all my Perry tract land after his taking up my note due George Cherry for that land I also give and bequeath unto my beloved son Charley

Millard all my lands on the south side of the road beginning at John Bennetts line running down the road to the fork thence down the road as runs to Joseph Dickson line for which he must pay Isaac Millard five hundred Dollars when he comes to be twenty one year of age I also give my son Charles Millard one father bed and furniture and the horse horse. I also give my son Isaac Millard one father bed and furniture I also give and bequeath unto my beloved Daughter Sarah Millard one negro girl named Nira and one father bed and furniture. I also give and bequeath unto my beloved Daughter Eddy Millard one negro boy name Mamumill and one father bed and furniture. I also give and bequeath unto my beloved Daughter Nancy one negro boy name Alfred and one father bed and furniture. I also give and bequeath unto my beloved Daughter Mary Millard one negro boy named Jordan and a father bed and furniture. I also leave my base lands to be sold by my Executors as they think best and to make all the rest of the girls negroes except to that of Sarah and the balance of money equally divided amongst all girls. I also wish every thing to stand as it is untill another crop is made and wish Executor to do the way they think best with it to wards settling debts then after giving my wife two sows and pigs the safe and all given the balance to be sold and money equally divided amongst my four daughters after all my just debts is settled the negro boy which I leave my daughter Eddy is in the possession of Henry. The road if it is not got she must be made equal with money and I hereby make and ordain my beloved sons Kuman Millard and Charles Millard. Execution of this my last will and Testament in witness whereof I the said Jesse Millard have to this my last will and testament set my hand and seal the day and year above.