

State of N^c Carolina
Duplin County

April Term 1799.

Thus was the within will proved in open Court in due form of law by the oath of John Herby one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, and at the same time Frederick Smith and Jesse Smith two 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.

In the name of God amen I Roger Smith of the State of North Carolina Duplin County being very sick and weak in body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be given unto God calling unto the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to 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 unto the hands of almighty God that gave it and my body I recommend to the earth to be buried in decent Christian burial at the discretion of my Executors nothing doubting but at the general resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God and as touching such worldly estate wherewith it has pleased God to bless me in this life I give devise and dispose of the same in the following manner, first I give and bequeath to John Smith my dear beloved father the sum of one horse two cows and yearling one yearling and pigs three head of sheep one pot one chest and one ar. Also I give to my well beloved mother Sarah Smith whom I likewise constitute make and ordain the sole Executors of this my last will and Testament all and singular one mare five head of cattle three head of sheep five barrels of corn one bed and

furniture one pot one ar one case and the rest of my house hold furniture equally divided between the two. Signed Sealed, published pronounced and declared by the said Roger Smith as his Last will and testament. In the presence of us who in his presence and in the presence of each other have here subscribed our names. This 10th of January 1794. And if any thing Richard Hart. James ^{his} ~~mark~~ Moody. Elizabeth ^{her} ~~mark~~ Fenny. left after their death to be divided equally between my sisters.

Roger ^{his} ~~mark~~ Smith Seal

State of N^c Carolina

Duplin County

January Term 1795.

Thus was the within will proved in open Court in due form of law by the oath of Elizabeth Fenny one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, ordered to be filed in the Clerk's office.

Test. W^m Dickson C.C.

In the name of God Amen I John Stallings of the State of North Carolina and county of Duplin being of sound and perfect mind and memory blessed be God do make and ordain this as my last will and Testament in manner and form following viz:- Item In the first place I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Ann Stallings all that part of the land wherem I live that lies on the East side of ^{Point} ~~Stallings~~ Creek and wherem my dwelling house stands the sum of said creek to be the time during her natural life. Also I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Ann the following negroes to wit, my negro boy called Biggs Revue. Negro boy called Potts and five negro women Kate and her child and negro girl name them & their increase to her and her heirs forever. Also the following articles to wit, five cows and calves six horses and pigs twenty two year old hogs my cart and one yoke of oxen my horse called the

bloodworth horse and my mare called the Sumner
 mare, two leather beds, bed steady and
 furniture, two pots one pair piggin churn &
 tub all my platin knives and forks and
 all my caps and sundries one chest, one table
 a set of chairs, my riding chair and harness
 four bee hives, two ploughs and gun, two wading
 hoes, 2 axes, one hand saw and fifty dollars
 in money to her and her heirs forever, what
 provision she may wish for the balance of the
 year after my decease I wish to be laid off to
 her by a committee appointed by court out of my
 stock of provisions as on hand in such portion
 as they may think just. Item, In the second
 place, I give and bequeath all my lands
 unto my two sons Kedar Stallings and Josiah
 Stallings except the land that comes by wife to
 them and their heirs forever arriving to full age
 it is my will the survivor have the whole of
 the land as bequeathed above. Item, In the third, I
 give and bequeath unto my two sons Kedar
 Stallings and Josiah Stallings and my daughter
 Anne Jane Stallings the following negroes (to wit)
 my negro men Burrell, Stephen, & Bill my negro
 boys James, Jacob, Arthur, Lewis, Abner, Abram,
 little Sam, and little Aaron, Negro woman Chor and
 Luce and negro girls Agg, Jake and Lucy to them
 and their heirs forever to be equally divided among
 them, which division not to take place untill one
 of them arrives to full age unless my daughter
 should marry before either of my sons should
 arrive to age and if either or any of my children
 should die before arriving to full age it is my
 will the survivor or survivors have the whole of the
 negroes as above bequeathed thus to them; and I
 further give and bequeath unto my two sons Kedar
 and Josiah Stallings the sum of two hundred dollars
 each for and to assist in educating them.

Item, 4th I give and bequeath unto
 my two sisters Elizabeth Stallings and Jane
 Stallings my negro girl Calsa which is now
 at my Father's to them and their heirs forever.
 Item, 5th It is my will and desire that my
 Executors purchase of John Dickson agent for a
 land speculation thirty two acres of land and
 also pattern seventy five acres of land which I
 have given a bond for a little to Jacob Tinsel,
 and that my Executors make use of money on
 hand or money arising from the sale of my
 perishable estate to defray the expenses thereof &
 in perfecting it little. Item 6th It is my will
 and desire that my will and desire that my
 Executors rent out the place which I myself have
 rented for the term of five years belonging to
 Estate of Aaron Williams and for the same
 term years and the rent to be made payable
 in the same manner as I am to pay that is
 to or by annual instalment. Item lastly, The residue
 of my property with the land excepted as above
 with the Larkins thrown and the Larkins on the
 land at home I will to be sold by my Executors
 and after paying my just debts and the legacies
 as mentioned above the amount of the sales
 thereof with the amount of money &c. which
 may be on hand be equally divided among my
 three children. In witness whereof I John Stallings
 the Testator hath hereunto set my hand and
 affixed my seal this sixteenth of February in
 the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred
 fifteen. Signed Sealed published and declared in
 the presence of us who were present when signed by
 the Testator. And I Henry constitute and appoint
 my brother Williams Stallings and my friend John
 Bryan Executors to this my last will and testament.
 J. D. Brice. Thomas Wells.

John Stallings

State of N^c Carolina } April Term 1815.

Duplin County }

The within will was exhibited into Court and proved in due form of law by the oath of Joseph Brice and Thomas Mills, and at same time William Stallings and John Bryan the Executors named in the said will came before the Court and qualified as such according to law orders that letters issue accordingly.

Test W^m Dickson C.C.

In the name of God Amen I John Sloan of the State of N^c Carolina and County of Duplin being sick of body but of sound mind and perfect memory blessed be god and calling to mind the mortality of the body that is appointed for all men over to die, I therefore do this the 18th day of August in the year of our Lord our thousand eight hundred and twenty-four make and publish this my last will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say. First of All I give and bequeath unto my beloved son and daughter Jacob Bryant and his wife Mary Bryant half of all my land now in possession with the all of all my personal or parishable estate consisting of stock of various description and likewise the half of all of my household and kitchen furniture And likewise the crop now on the ground of every description with the plantation tools and all that can consist of parishable property pertaining to my Estate. 2^{ndly} I give and bequeath unto my son William Sloan the other half of all my lands now in my possession. Lastly I nominate and appoint my true and trusty friend my son in law Jacob Bryant. The sole Executor to this my last will and Testament to dispose of this my estate in manner and form above prescribed &c. In witness whereof I hereby set my hand and affix my seal

day and date above. Signed, Sealed and Transferred to the executor in presence of us, John Powell John McCame.

John Sloan Seal
Duplin County. July Term 1827.

Thus was the within will proved in open court by the oath of Jns Powell in due form of law and ordered to be recorded and at the same time, Jacob Bryant the Ex^{or} named in S^d Will Qualified as such. Ordered that letters issue.

Test. Jas Pearsall Clk.

In the Name of God Amen I Joseph Scott of the County of Duplin and Province of North Carolina Planter being weak in body but of perfect mind and memory Thanks be given unto god for the same and calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once for to die, do make and ordain this my last will Testament that is to say principally and first of all I give and Recommend my soul unto the hands of God that gave it and my body I recommend it to the earth to be buried in a christian Like manner at the discretion of my Executors shall Receive the same again by the mighty 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 manner and form following that is to say. I here I give and bequeath to my daughter Jane Chestnutten one Dollar. I here I give and bequeath to my son Jonathan Scott all the stock that is at David WALKINSONS excepted the steers that is from two years old and upwards and my negro fellow named Will. I here I give and bequeath to my daughter Jerasha Scott one feather bed and some furniture two Cows and Calfs. I here I give and bequeath to my son Jeremiah Scott the