

State of North Carolina } In the name of God Amen.
 I Jacob Taylor of the County of Neptis
 and State aforesaid, Planter, being at present Sick and
 Weak of Body but of sound Minde and memory Thanks
 be to Almighty God for the same, and Calling to mind that
 all men must die, and the uncertain time thereof do hereby
 make this my last Will and Testament in Manner and Forme
 Following

In nomine Domini & Contrairement to Almighty God in hope of a
 Gloriou's Resurrection through the merits of my beloved
 Saviour Jesus Christ My body I Commit to the Ground
 decently to be interred there as the direction of my Executors
 hereof directed shall shew.

First I send to my beloved Wife Elizabeth Taylor during her natural
 life his or mine I hold all my Estate both real and personal
 and dearest gifts her successor after Marriage during my
 life of Jacob Taylor to my dwelling House to dwell or to
 my youngest Son John Taylor and his wife Jenny his wife
 of Land lying in the upper part I give and bequeath
 unto my son Jacob Taylor to him and his heirs forever
 And all my personal Estate to be Equally divided between my two
 Sons Jacob Taylor and John Taylor and my youngest daughter
 garnissa Taylor to them both and their heirs forever
 this day.

Secondly I constitute Nominate and appoint my beloved Wife Elizabeth
 Taylor to be sole Executor to this my last Will & Testament having
 all other Will or Wills Testaments & Testaments by me heretofore
 made and alldowing this and only this to be my last will and
 Testament Whereunto I have set my hand and affixed
 my seal this 1st day of August and in the year of our Lord
 One Thousand Seven hundred and Eighty seven.

Signed Seal & attested by the 3 Jacob Taylor Seal
 Testators in presence of us

John Palmer
 Jacob Millard
 Jacob Millard
 John Palmer

State of North Carolina }
 Edgecumbe County 3 July Seven 1788.

This was the written Will of Jacob Taylor
 deceased I had it before the Court and pronounced
 in due form of law by the oath of Jacob Miller
 one of the Subscribing Executors thereto
 And at the same time Elizabeth Taylor the
 Executing Witness in the said Will came
 before the Court and testified as an
 Executor to the said Will according to law
 ordered that Letters issue accordingly
 Just W. Jackson C. Co.

In the name of God Amen.

I John Higgin of the County of Neptis and state
 of North Carolina Being Considerably Advanced in years and
 calling to mind that it is appointed for all men to die do
 whilst in perfect mind and disposing memory, make and
 declare this my last Will and Testament in Manner and Forme
 following To wit.

First And principally I Bequeath my said to the Land of Almighty
 God who gave it, and my body I desire to be buried in a
 decent and Christian like Manner at the direction of my
 surviving friends. As touching my worldly Estate that has
 pleased God to bless me with

First I have given my son Riley Higgin the land whereon he
 now lives One Horse and Saddle, one Bed & Furniture and
 one Cow and Calf in full of his legacy of my Estate,

Item I have given to my son Bithiel Higgin the land which he
 now lives on Horse and saddle, One Bed and Furniture
 and one Cow & Calf in full of his legacy of my Estate

Item I have given to my daughter Jenny Brown the land
 whereon she now lives one Horse and Saddle and Bed
 & Furniture and one Cow and Calf which is in full of her
 legacy of my Estate

Item I have given my daughter Jenny Brown the land whereon
 she now lives one Horse and Saddle and Bed & Furniture
 and one Cow & Calf in full of her legacy of my Estate

N.B. I have also given the above legatees, four Head of Sheep, to
each Heir to whom,

I give and bequeath to my son Joseph Higgin land and
Plantation whereon I now live also one hundred acres
lying between Thorwood Branch and Samuel Whaley's one
Horse and Saddle one Bed and furniture and one Cow and Calf
and all my other Cocks Two Pales and Irons for one ox and
Welding iron to hammer and hold his hins and assigned horses.

I give and bequeath to my daughter Nelly Higgin Ann
Higgin Ely Higgin & Sally Higgin each one bed & furniture
as the General Parson Survey, that is the Bellanner, I humbly
to be equally divided between them they hins and assigned horses
the balance of my Estate of every description Except my
Cattle so far as regards my daughters Nelly Higgin who has had
her share, I leave to be equally divided Between my daughters
Nelly Higgin Anna Higgin Ely Higgin and Sally
Higgin share and them alike.

I constiute and appoint my Son Wiley Higgin
and by that Higgin Executors of this my last Will and
Testament In witness whereof I do execute set my hand and
affix my Seal the Twenty fifth day of April in the year of
Our Lord One Thousand Eight hundred and eighteen
Signed sealed pronounced) John Higgin (and
and delivered in presence of)
John Higgin
and Nathan Miller.

Joseph T. Rhodes

Date of No Carolina 3

Hudson County October Term 1818.

There was the Notary Will good in Council
by the oath of Joseph T. Rhodes one of the Subscribers witness
thereto, and at the same time Wiley Higgin one of the testators
named in the said Will came before the Court and
qualified as such according to law

Ordered that letters issue accordingly
To Wm Deacon L.C.

In the name of God Amen

I Adoriam Testurice of Black River in the County of Bluff living
here and dear in body but of perfect mind and memory thank
God for his goodness to me and the mortallity of my body and
knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die I make and
ordain this my last Will will and testamant that is to say principally
and first of all I give and bequeath my soul unto the hand 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 almighty power of God and as touching such worldly
estate wherewith it has pleased God to bless me with in this life
I give and bequeath the same and dispose of the same in the following
Manner and form.

First I give to the heirs of my deceased Son Gilard one Shilling
lawfull Money of England to be raised and levied out of my Estates
also I give to my beloved Son Adoriam and my beloved Son John
and my beloved Daughter Odile and my beloved Daughter
Delah and also my beloved Grand son Elias Mathis each and every
of them one Shilling lawfull money of England to be raised and
levied out of my Estates also to my much beloved wife Mary whom
I likewise constitute more and ordain the sole Executrix of the
my last will and testamant and singular my last will and
testamant with all my Goods and Chattels Real and personal
by her hands to be possessed and enjoyed I. but I do hereby utterly
disallow Revise and disannull all and every other former
testomony will legacie bequeath and Executrix by me in any wise
before named will and bequeath before myself and certaine
and others to be my last ~~and~~ will and testamant in witness
whereof I have counterset my hand and seal this 25th day of
January in the year of our Lord one thousand eighteen
hundred and twenty nine by me John Deacon publickly
sworne and declared before the Notary Publick
as his last Will and Testamant John Deacon Testurice
in the presence of us that in
his presence and in the presence of
Each other ~~hath~~ ^{had} subscribed
R. Deacon Adoriam Deacon
as above written