

lot or sale at the discretion of my Executors, and I do hereby revoke and make null all and every other will or wills hitherto made by me and lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint my son Alfrid Ross and my son in law Thomas Wright my Execs to this my last will and testament signed sealed and executed this the 26th day of Dec 1813 in presence of Mr Whitfield James Wright Solomon ^{not} Ross Wm Beck Seal

State of North Carolina
Duplin County

May Term 1829

There was this will proved in open court by the oath of Henry Price and ordered to be recorded + at the same time math Bice ^{not} my self so exec to the will ordered that witness James Penrose Clerk be the name of God amst that I Joseph Bice of the county of Duplin State of North Carolina being of sound mind and perfect memory but weak in health do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner + form as follows By. In the first place I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Martha Price one negro man named Simon one negro woman named Leah one negro woman ^{named} ~~named~~ ^{named} Minerva to her during her natural life and at her death to be equally divided amongst my male children. Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Mary Jane Hicks children the sum of three hundred dollars to be raised out of my estate or a negro girl to be purchased but left ⁱⁿ the hands of my exec until the children becomes of age and thus to be equally divided between them. And should my exec buy a negro for her heir and it do not appear to be well I give them power to sell and purchase another. Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved daughter Elyza Bice & strands Bice a negro woman named Mahala and her increase to be equally divided between them if either of them should die then deceased part be equally divided between my two sons John & William. Item I give and bequeath ^{unto} my beloved son Francis Bice a piece of land lately ^{acquired} from Henry if my estate or my other children does not cover no part of the property will to them in consequence of my standing his security and should he not let my exec pay no money for him it is my will that the exec make him a good rest which I authorize them to do. Should he fail to make payment I impower my exec to sell the land or some other property and I impower ~~them~~ ^{them} to make private sale of any property if they think it will be to advantage. I also give him ^{priviledge} of thirty acres ^{on} the

east side of Rockfish that is what I intend for him - except his part
 of the negroes before mentioned, which is to be equally divided amongst
 my male children. Item I give and bequeath ^{to be} ~~unto~~ my beloved son John S. Brier
 all my Land lying west of Rockfish. I also give ~~him~~ one feather bed
 and furniture. I give and bequeath ^{William} ~~to~~ my wife Martha Brier all my Canech on the
 east side of Rockfish, that is to say, ~~to~~ the place where I now live
 also one bed and furniture, shored either of the die before he is of age
 the whole is to belong to the other. But leaving the land freely in possession
 of my wife on both sides of Rockfish leaving it in the power of my Exes
 to rent out any part privately. I agree that my wife Martha Brier
 keep a Supprencey of my passable property as necessary but to raze
 the shedras and make no charge against them for board & scoldin &c. I
 further leave it in my will that my Exes see publicly ^{or privately} a piece of
 land of five hundred acres on the north east river for the purpose
 of paying my just debts. I do authorise and appoint Martha Brier
 and William Stalling, Exes, to this my last will and testament
 my witness & have here unto set my hand and seal. Feb. 20th.
 1829. Witness Henry Brier Rachel Brier.

Jos Brier (seal)

State of North Carolina
 Duplin County

April Term 1814

There was the witness proved in open court by one of Levi Boddin
 one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, and at the same time John Beck
 one of the subscribing witnesses to Executress named in said will came
 before the court and qualified as such according to law and sworn that
 witness were accordingly test Mr Jackson C.C. In the name of God
 Amen. I William Beck of Duplin County North Carolina known that it
 is meet for all men to die do therefore desire and will at this time
 William being possessed of a sound mind and memory blessed by God for the
 Beck. same do express and direct that is known my temporal estate shall be
 disposed of after my decease - this therefore my will and desire that the
 same be in the manner and form following that is to say. I give and
 bequeath to my beloved wife Fael orat Beck one negro man slave
 called Andy one negro woman name Vinice and and her child
 called Belarey also one negro boy call Peter and one young bay mare
 called Creeping late also three cows & calver three sows and pigs
 & three ewes & lambs two feather beds and furniture together with
 as much of my House hold & Kitchen furniture as my Executress may