

I owe him, and the residue of the money to be equally divided between my two nephews. William Williams and Edward Williams to them and their heirs forever

John ^{his} ~~mark~~ Williams

Lastly, I constitute and appoint my friend Edward Pearcell and my nephew William Williams Executors of this my last will and testament, hereby revoking and disavowing all other wills by me made. In witness I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 22^d Day of January 1803

John ^{his} ~~mark~~ Williams

Signed, sealed and declared to be the will of John Williams in presence of Edward Pearcell & George Williams -

State of N^c Carolina

Duplin County

April Term 1803

Thus was the within will proved in open Court by the oath of Edward Pearcell one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, and at the same time William Williams one of the executors named in the same will came before the Court and was qualified as such according to law. Ordered that letters issue accordingly.

Test W^m Dickson, C. C.

In the name of God Amen. I Shadrack Williams of the County of Duplin in the State of North Carolina, being sick in body but of perfect sound disposing mind and memory and knowing that it is appointed for every person to die, do make this my last will and testament in the following manner - First I recommend my soul into the hands of almighty God hoping through the merits of Christ to obtain eternal salvation, and my body I recommend to be buried in a Christian manner at the discretion of my friends and executors. Next I give and bequeath to my wife Eliza Williams all my moveables my stock of cattle and hogs my household furniture and plantation tools during her natural life for the purpose of raising my children and also that she may be better enabled to raise and support my children. I give unto her the use of my land during her natural life. Next my will and desire is that whatever is left after the death of my said wife Mary Williams of my little personal property be equally divided between my three children Charles Williams John Williams and Sarah Williams or the survivors of them. My will and desire is also after the death of my said wife that my land containing one hundred

acres be equally divided amongst my three children. Charles John and Sarah to them and their heirs forever. Lastly I constitute and appoint Edward Pearcell and Andrew Stokes executors to this my last will and testament, in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the 2^d day of October 1807

Shadrack ^{his} ~~mark~~ Williams

Signed, sealed and declared to be the will of Shadrack Williams in the presence of W^m Edward Pearcell Andrew Stokes -

State of N^c Carolina

Duplin County

October Term 1807

Thus was the within will proved in Court in due form of law by the oath of Edward Pearcell one of the subscribing witnesses thereto and at the same time Edward Pearcell and Andrew Stokes the executors named in the said will came before the Court and were qualified as such according to law. Ordered that letters issue accordingly -

Test W^m Dickson C. C.

State of North Carolina

Duplin County

In the name of God Amen. I Priscilla Wood of the above named place being diseased in body tho in sound and disposing mind and memory recollecting the uncertainty of life and certainty of death do make and ordain this to be my last will and testament in manner and form following. First I recommend my soul to God who gave it trusting in the merits of Christ for its future welfare and my body to a decent grave at the discretion of my executors hereafter named and as to the worldly substance which has pleased God to bless me with I dispose of as follows. First my will is that my executors sell all my property of every description at six months credit and the money arising from the sale of the same to be disposed of as follows. First I give to Robert John Hunter Priscilla Hunter and Marjorie children of the late Isaac Hunter one hundred dollars each to be paid to them when they arrive at lawful age or marry. Second I give to Eliza Betham & Sarah Priscilla daughter children of the late Sarah deWitt one hundred and fifty dollars each to be paid to them when they arrive at lawful age or marry. Third the residue of the money arising from said sale of my property I wish equally divided between my children. Thus I make

John Hunter. Hogan Hunter. Catharine Hunter Elizabeth Tate & my grand children above named that is the children of the late Isaac Hunter and the children of the late Sarah Mother each to have a share equal to that of my children now living in the same manner as if the said Isaac & Sarah were now living. Lastly, I appoint and request my friend Jeremiah Peasall executor to this my last will and testament, hereby revoking all other former wills by me made or caused to be made. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this the 17th day of March A.D. 1828 signed in presence of ^{his} Jere Peasall, John James Lokey ^{his} Stephen State of North Carolina Duplin County

May Term. 1828

Then was the within proved in open Court in due form of law by the oaths of Jere Peasall & John James two of the subscribing witnesses thereto and at the same time Jeremiah Peasall the Exor named in the will qualified as such ordered that letters issue

Per Jas Peasall Sec.

In the name of God Amen. I Jacob Wells of the State of North Carolina and County of Duplin being weak in body but of perfect mind and memory blessed be God and calling to mind the uncertainty of life & knowing it is appointed for men once to die do this 5th day of December in the year of one thousand eight hundred & seven, make and ordain this my last will and testament in the manner and form following. Viz it is my will that all my just debts and funeral charges be paid by my executors hereafter named with the most provokable part of my estate at their discretion. 2d My will is that I give and bequeath to my son Jacob Wells 3 Negro fellows namely Joe, Slater & George also my negro woman named Phoeby. Also I give six hundred and acres of land on shore pusses to him and his heirs forever. 3rd I give and bequeath to my son William Wells 3 Negro men named Bogel, James & Ryle also one negro woman named Leaw also the land where he now lives also part of a new survey by a direct line as there marked it near as set & set some to him and his heirs for ever. 4th I give and bequeath to my daughter Leaw Stallings Twenty Cornels in cash. I also give and bequeath to my grand daughter Mary Wells one negro woman named Elsie I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary Boney one negro woman named Lucy and all her increase & two pounds in cash. 6. I give and bequeath to my daughter Barbary Linton one negro woman named Stoner to her

and her heirs also the Plantation where I now live, and also a part of a new survey the north end of it I leaving the plantation that I have given her 7 I give to my grand son Mills Linton a Negro girl named Jane and I give to my grand daughter Sarah Linton one Negro boy named Billy 9 I give to my grand son George Linton one Negro girl named Rachel 10 I give to my grand daughter Mary Linton one Negro boy 12 11th I give and bequeath to my grand daughter Betsey Linton fifteen pounds in cash. 12 I give and bequeath to my daughter Ann Sloan one feather bedstead and furniture also it is my will that all my stock of Horses Cattle & Hogs and sheep be sold at public vendue also all the household furniture, and all my plantations tools my will is that my Negro fellows named Luax shall be sold or hired out whichever my truly friends may think best. I also give my daughter Ann Sloan the one half of the money a Rising from this Negro fellow Jack also the other half to be equally divided between my two daughters Elizabeth Murphy. Barbary Linton also my will is that the money a Rising from the vendue after paying me my just debts and funeral charges is to be equally divided between my three daughters Elizabeth Murphy Ann Sloan & Barbary Linton. I give and bequeath to my grand daughter Esther Murphy one feather bedstead and furniture. also my will is that my grand son Boney Wells shall have my saddle and bridle and my shorn Gun. Lastly I hereby constitute and appoint my son Jacob Wells and William Boker and Samuel Leachy Executors to this my last will and testament. In witness whereof I the said Jacob Wells have hereunto set my hand and seal to this my last will and testament the day year first above written signed sealed, Published and declared by the said Jacob Wells the Testator as his last will and testament in presence of us who was present at the time of signing and delivery hereof Jacob Wells, Sec. Per Gibson Sloan John Chapman Austin Beasley

State of North Carolina

Duplin County

April Term 1808

Then was the within proved in Court in due form of law by the oaths of Gibson Sloan, John Chapman and Austin Beasley the subscribing witnesses thereto And at the same time Jacob Wells and William Boker two of the Executors named in said will came before Court and qualified as such according to law. ordered that letters issue accordingly

Per Wm Dickson C. C.