

Wright Esq and ordered to be Recorded. And at the same time it was ordered by the said County Court that Owen Connorsy have letters of Administration of the Estate of the said James Jones deceased, with a copy of the said nuncupative will annexed thereto.

Test W^m Dickson C.C.

State of North Carolina } March 6th 1827.
Duplin County

In the name of God Amen. I Rebecca James of the State and County aforesaid being of an infirm State of Body but of sound mind and memory do make constitute and ordain this to be my last will and Testament, and by these presents do disannul all former wills Testaments &c and I assign 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 Executor &c. and as to the worldly Property with which it has pleased God to bless me I give and bequeath in the following manner viz: First I give and bequeath unto my beloved mother Mary James, my following named negro slaves (to wit) Joe Willy and Chole during her natural life and after her death to be equally divided with the increase of the above mentioned female slaves, between my nephew and niece John Graham and Mary Eliza Stephens and their heirs forever. I also give and bequeath to my mother my mare, leather bed and furniture during her natural life and after her death my will is that my beloved Brother Gabriel H James have my mare & my niece Rebecca James my bed. Secondly. I give and bequeath unto my beloved nephew James Tachy one hundred dollars to be raised by the hire of negroes for also my just debts to be paid by the hire of said negroes. I appoint and request my nephew James Tachy to be my Executor to this my last will and Testament the day and date aforesaid. Signed sealed and

acknowledged in presence of J. Graham & Morgan.
R. James (Seal)

Duplin County } April Term 1827.
There was the within will proved in open Court in due form of law by the oath of Brown Morgan and at the same time James Tachy the Executor named in the will qualified as such. Ordered that letters issue.

Test Jas Parsall Clk.

In the name of God, Amen, I Benjamin Johnston of the County of Duplin and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and disposing memory and taking into consideration the uncertainty of this life have thought proper to make and confirm this as my last will and Testament, hereby revoking all other. (I nuprimis) I resign my soul into the hands of that almighty Being, who gave it, and my body to the earth, to be decently interred according to the direction of my Executor, herein after named. (Item 1st) It is my will and desire that all my property that is to say my Land on which I now live, lying on each side of Turkey Swamp together with my negroes Charles, Luv, Bett, Wither & Moses. Cattle, Sheep and Hogs, my House hold and kitchen furniture and farming utensils, shall be sold by my Executor they giving such credits as they may think proper. (Item 2) I also give and bequeath to my Brothers John, Ambert, James, Robert and William Johnston or their heirs, one dollar each and no more. (Item 3) I also give and bequeath to my Sisters Francis, Sytha, Jane and Rachel or their heirs one dollar each and no more. (Item 4) I also give and bequeath unto Ann Owens daughter of Lewis Ryall, one dollar and no more. (Item 5) I also give and bequeath to Buorly Ryland, one dollar and no more. (Item 6th) I do hereby give and bequeath unto Eliza James, my negro boy John. (Item 7th) The residue or