

State of North Carolina  
Duplic County

July Term 1816

The last will and testament of Thomas Bennett was exhibited into court and prove by the oath of Eliza Bizzell and Isaac Woodard two of the subscribing witnesses thereto and at the same time John Beck Thomas Bennett and John Bennett the execs named in the said will came before the court and qualified as such according to law and it was ordered that letters issue accordingly Test William Jackson C. C. In the name of God Amen I Thos Bennett of Duplin County & State of North Carolina aware it is allotted for all men to die do therefore seen it prudent at this time being possessed of a sound and disposing mind and memory blessed be God for the same to express & direct in what manner my temporal estate shall be disposed of after my decease it is therefore my will & desire that the same be in manner and form following I give and bequeath to my son Thomas Bennett to him and his heirs for ever fifty acres of land which joins the said Thomas Bennett line which said tract I purchased out of Joseph Wade said to lie along branch side of said line I give and bequeath to my two sons John Bennett & Hinwood Bennett to them and their heirs forever all the residue of my land including the plantation whereon I now live to be equally divided between them I give and bequeath unto my son Jeff Bennett one hundred dollars to be raised out of my estate Item I give unto my daughter Catharine Bennett one hundred dollars & one feather bed and furniture to be raised out of my estate Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Hamner Bennett one feather bed & furniture and cow & calf Item I give unto my son Hinwood Bennett one feather bed & furniture Item my desire is that the hole of the residue of my estate after all my just debts are paid shall be sold by my execs and the money arising from the saids to be equally divided between the hole of my children in the manner and form following to wit it shall so to say William Bennett & Chesus to know shear & my son Samuel Bennett the heir of my daughter Sarah Leonard on shear in the place of her said mother to my daughter Mary Wiley & my daughter Rebekah Nines my son Thomas Bennett & inter lined after my son James Bennett & my son Lucy Bennett and my

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Dear Bennett and my son George Bennett & my Son J Bennett &  
my Son Kinnard Bennett and my daughter Sarah Rogers and my  
daughter Hannah Stanner Bennett and daughter Catharine Bennett to  
them and their heirs for ever and I do hereby revoke i make null  
& void all and every other will or wills by me made - I do hereby  
nominate and appoint my two sons Thomas Bennett & John Bennett  
& my friend J Beck my Exes to this my last will and testament  
Signed Seal & delivered and executed in the presence - Eliza Bennett  
Samuel Ruggill Isaac Woodard June the 12th 1810.

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October Term 1810

There was the within will of Mary Bowzer proved in open Court  
in due form of Law by the oath of Joshua Platt one of the  
swearing witnesses thereto and at the same time Hardy  
Parker the Exr named in the said will came before the Court  
and qualified as such according to law ordered that he be  
sworn accordingly. I will William Dackson Esq. In the  
& Mary Bowzer of the County of Duplin County State of N.C. Carolina  
being weak in body but of sound memory blessed be God for the  
same knowing it is appendic for all men to die do this do make  
and ordain this my last will and testament in manner & form fol-  
owing to wit. First will and ordain that all my just debts and  
funeral expenses to be paid and my body to have Christian like  
burial at the discretion of my Exes hereafter to be named. Secondly  
I will that my daughter Ann Albin & Mary Wells have the under-  
mentioned property equally divided between them that it is to say  
one basin & basin plates one pigeon one fire pan one flesh  
fork one chime one looking glass one cotton wheel one sheet one &  
one pair hundred slay and two thin year old stirs to them and  
theirs for ever. Thirdly I will and ordain that after my decease the  
remaining part of my property consisting of cattle hogs and house hold  
furniture & plantation tools of every nature and kind with one roman  
saddle and twenty dollars in a note from Amos Morris be the  
property of my daughter Susannah Parker to her and her heirs for  
ever. Fourthly and lastly I do constitute and appoint my son  
in law Hardy Parker as exr to this my last will and tes-