

by the affirmations of Withard Coffey One of the Subscribing
Witnesses Ordered to be recorded

Thus Came in Joseph Unthank & Temple
Unthank Executors Appointed in said Will
& Qualified

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In the Name of God Amen. This 26th day of October
in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred & Sixteen
I William Donnell of the County of Guilford State of North
Carolina (farmer) being in a weak state of body but in perfect
mind & memory thanks be to God. & calling to mind the mortality
of my body & that it is appointed for all men to die
'do make & ordain this my last will & Testament first I
give & recommend my soul into the hands of God who
gave it & my body to the Earth to be buried in a Christian
manner at the discretion of my executors not doubting
but at the General Resurrection I shall receive it again
reunited to my soul by the mighty power of God.
And as touching such worldly property whereinwith it hath
pleased God to bless me with in this life. I give &
bequeath in the following manner. First I give &
bequeath to Nancy Donnell, my beloved wife all
my household & kitchen furniture & two Horses
her choice & ten head of Cattle & Ten head of Sheep
& ten head of hogs first choice. also all the tools
in my possession farming & Carpenter tools of every
description, & two hundred Dollars in money
and all my personal estate except the remainder
of my stock I will to be sold by my Executors
& the money arising therefrom to be disposed of
as follows. I give & bequeath to my brother John
Donnell One Dollar & Brother Thomas One Dollar
brother Andrew One Dollar & brother Lathan
One Dollar and the mrs of brother Robert Donnell

One Dollar & the Heirs of brother James one Dollar & the heirs of sister Hannah & Lane one Dollar each & to brother George Donnell One Dollar, and the balance arising from rest of ~~these~~ any thing be I direct to be put into the hands of my beloved wife at her disposal so long as she lives & at her death if any of said money should remain I bequeath fifty Dollars to the use of North Buffeloe Congregation.

Also I will bequeath to my wife my negro woman Biddy & Children namely Yirza & Pitty Lee & Liddy Calvin & Levenah & their increase during her natural life & at her death to be put in possession of George Denny my Nephew son of George Denny Decd. of the aforesaid bounty. Whom I do hereby constitute & appoint him & his heirs Guardian for the above mentioned negroes & their increase, as it is my will & desire the before mentioned Negroes Biddy & Increase shall be freed from slavery so far as the law of this State will admit of immediately at the decease of my wife Nancy Donnell.

Lastly I do constitute make & ordain my beloved wife Nancy Donnell & my brother John Donnell Executors of this my last Will & Testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal the day & year above written.

Signed sealed and acknowledged.

William Donnell Seal

The presence of
Mr Wm Goadby
George Denny
Witness.

State of North Carolina
Guineford County 3 February Term 1823.

(The Execution of the within Will was proven in open Court by the Oaths of Messrs Wm Goadby & George Denny subscribing Witnesses thereto. On motion Ordered to be recorded.)
Then came in Nancy Donnell Executrix appointed in said Will & qualified.

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