

Occurrence in the presence of us

Long St.

James Bond St.

Martha C. Bond

Halifax County, St.

Along 2nd.

May Session 1844. On this will was exhibited in Open Court, duly proved by the Oath of James Bond & Long, two of the Subscribing Witnesses thereto, and as motion ordered to be Recorded whereupon Nicholas Long one the Executors named in the said Will came in & was duly Qualified as an Executor thereto.

Test Wm. W. Foster Clerk

James Allen, 1844

In the Name of God amen. I James Allen of Halifax County in the State of North Carolina, being weak in body, but of sound disposing Mind and Memory and well knowing the uncertainty of this life, do Constitute, Make and Ordain, this to be my last Will and Testament, in form & Order following, that is to say, I give my soul into the hands of almighty God that gave it, & my body I recommend to the earth to be buried decently at the discretion of my Executors, hereafter named. And as touching such worldly Estate as it is please God to bless me with, I Will & bequeath in the following Manner and Form. Item, Give and bequeath to my Sister Mary Allen good Bounties Virginia Money, to be paid Out of my Estate at the expiration of twelve months from this present date, by my Executors hereafter named, or the true Value thereof the aforesaid Legacy in paper Currency. Item, I give and bequeath to my brother William Allen the tract and tract of Land, lying the Manner plantation between

I now live Containing three hundred and thirty two Acres, to him his heirs and Assigns forever. I give and bequeath to my brother Taylor Allen my Negro Man Watt, to him his heirs and Assigns forever. And, my will and desire is, that all the residue of my Estate, not already mentioned be Equally Divided, between my two brothers, William Allen and Taylor Allen. In Witness whereof, I have set my hand and seal this fourth Day of January, One thousand seven hundred and Ninety One. I do Appoint William Allen, and also my brother Taylor Allen & Frederick Hall Executors of this my last Will & Testament as aforementioned.

Test Henry Hays M.A.

James Allen Seal

Polly ^{her} ~~mark~~ ^{moody} Halifax County N.C. May 21st 1791.

That this Will was exhibited in Open Court, duly proved by the Oath of Henry Hays, a Justice there, and on Motion ordered to be Recorded, Whereupon William Allen & Taylor Allen voluntarily Assented as Executors there to.

Test Wm. H. C. J.

William Higgins will

In the Name of God Amen. William Higgins of the County of Halifax, in the State of North Carolina, being in perfect health & of sound memory thanks be to God, and calling to mind the mortality of Manhood, and knowing it is appointed for all Men Once to Die, Do Make, Ordain, Revoke and Appoint, that my last Will and Testament, in manner & form as follows. to wit, I leave unto my loving wife Priscilla Higgins the use of all my negroes and all the rest of my Estate Consisting of all kinds of live Stock & Housing Furniture during her Natural life. And, I give & bequeath unto my loving Son William Higgins his heirs & Assigns a tract or parcel of Land, whereon the said Son William Higgins now lives, Containing three hundred