

Richard Carney's Will

In the name of almighty God, amen. I Richard Carney of

Salisbury County State of North Carolina, do hereby Make my last Will & Testament, in the following Manner. Now I give & bequeath the Whole use & profits & income of my Whole estate, Lands Negroes, furniture & in general every thing else whatsoever that I am possessed of or with, unto my Lawful Wife Mary Carney during her Natural life or Widowhood, after the decease of my aforesaid Wife Mary Carney, I give unto my son Richard Carney five hundred & seventy three Acres of Pine Woods land, it being half of a piece of land, I entered, with three Negroes, Frank Carter, & Mary. In like Manner I give to my son Stephen Wright Carney all the rest of my lands that I am possessed of, or with, after the decease of my Wife, with two Negroes, Elizabeth & Nan & her increase. Now I give to my Daughter Elizabeth Peale two Negroes Mingo & Nan & her increase. Now I give to my Daughter Mary Keefe two Negroes Charles & Dianah & her increase. Now I give to my Daughter Nancy Cotton six Negroes Annis & her four Children, & Volens, Bell, & her increase. All the rest that I have given my Children, such as Moseabell, furniture, & these things is to remain theirs as I have given them. My Will & Desire is, that if either of my Children should die without heir Lawful of their body, that what I have given them should be divided Among the rest that shall be then living. My Will & Desire is, that after my Wife's decease, that the my estate, that may remain, of every kind, may be equally divided Among my Children & not sold, without the Among my Children. I appoint my aforesaid Wife Mary Carney, my son Richard Carney, my son Stephen Wright Carney & executors of this my last Will & Testament. In Witness whereof, I have set my hand & here this twenty first day of April 1792

Richard Carney Seal

John Edwards Esq. J. P.
Hendrix County Jst.

Subscribed & sworn to before me this 17th day of June 1792. Then this Will was exhibited in Open Court, & duly proved by the Oaths of John Edwards Esq. J. P. the two subscribing Witnesses thereto, & on motion Ordered to be recorded. Therefore Richard Carney & Stephen W. Carney the Executors in the said Will named came in, & was duly qualified thereto.

Wm. Long Esq.