

In the Name of God Amen, Calling to mind the Mortality of
Mankind knowing that it is appointed for all men to Die.
Being Sick and Very weak, but in perfect Mind & Memory Thanks
to Almighty God for I do make Constitute and of point
this to be my Last will and Testament to be read and manumitted
Thus I Give and Bequeath my Negro Girl called Pashand and her to be sold to pay my
Just Debts

Item I Give and Bequeath my Son Shadrach Richards
Item I Leave unto my Beloved Wife Lydia Richards all my Estate
that is not already given away to her during her Natural Life or
widowhood and after her natural Life is ended or terminated
I will that my dwelling Plantation where I now live may be
divided according to Quantity and Quality between my two Sons
Shadrach Richards & Thomas Richards and after my wife's death or
widowhood for all my estate and property to be equally divided between
my four Children Shadrach Richards Thomas Richards Brittain
Richards & Christ Richards And I do of point my wife Lydia Richards
my Last Executor of this my Last will and Testament

As Witness my hand and Seal this Eighth Day of
December one Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty Nine
Signed Sealed & Delivered

in the presence of
Mary Ridenour Jones
John Richards &
The 2nd July 1789

Thomas Richards Test

Lydia County N
Feb 9 1790 The above will
was Read and proved in Court by the
Cath Thomas Selby & John Richards Witnesses Thurstle Ordant the Recorder
Test B. Herriman Clerk

Transcribed Dec. 27 1789

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P. D. Harris C. C.

In the Name of God Amen, I John Selby of the State of North
Carolina and County, being infirm in body, but in and happy
mind and memory do make and ordain this my last Will and
Testament in form following that is to say I Give and recommend
my Soul into the Hands of Almighty God, and my body to be decently
interred at the Discretion of my Executors and touching such
worldly Estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with I will and bequest
it in the following manner.

I Give to my Son William Selby one Negro Girl named Nanie and her
increase and 1 Feather Bed and furniture

Item I Give to my Son Talbot Selby one Negro Boy named Bob and
1 Feather Bed and furniture

Item I Give to my son Burridge Selby 1 Negro Girl named Easter & her
increase and one feather Bed and furniture

Item I Give to my son John Selby one Half of my Land and plantation
whereon I live desiring him to have the upper half (viz) that
which lies next the lake, reserving therein a privilege to my son
Jeremiah Selby, of cutting and taking of his wood for his own
use or the use of his heirs, 1 feather Bed and
furniture; and after his mother's decease one Negro man named
Jim; desiring that if the said John Selby should die without
his or heirs of his Body that the Land shall fall to his brother Burridge

Item I Give to my son Jeremiah Selby, one half of my land and plantation
whereon I now live; viz, that next the brook reserving therein a
privilege to my son John Selby of cutting a right Road through
the back together with the above reserved privilege I also Give
him one feather Bed and furniture; and after his mother's decease
1 Negro Woman named Flora, desiring that if he Die without
her that the Land shall fall to my two Sons William & Talbot Selby

Item I Give to my son Samuel Selby the sum of Three hundred lawful money

Item I Give and Bequeath to my two Grand Children (the Children of
my son Saml Selby) John and Sarah Selby one Negro woman
named Kate and her increase; and if either die of the two
Children without an heir of their Body, my will is that the said
wench and her increase fall to the survivor and in case they should
both die without heir that the said wench and increase be equally
divided amongst my five youngest Sons

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I, John Agier and Biquath to my Beloved Wife, Elizabeth Selby,
my land and plantation where on I now live during her
natural life. I give to her and singular my personal
Estate which hath not been herin otherwise disposed of
during her life and after her decease to be equally divided
amongst my five youngest Sons, and lastly I
do constitute and ordain my beloved wife Elizabeth Selby
Exceutrix and my two sons William and Talbot Selby Executors
of this my last will and Testament And I do hereby
disallow Revoke and disannul all former wills and Testaments
by me in anywise made; ratifying and confirming this
and no other to be my last will and Testament. In
witness whereof I have the said John Selby have hereunto
set my hand and affixed my seal this 14th Octo^r 1789
Signed, sealed, published and pronounced
by the testator in presence of us

Sam^l Selby (Seal)
David Eckols
Abner Spring

Hyde County 17 Nov^r Term 1789
The above will was exhibited into Court on
oath by David Eckols witness thereof according to due form
Ordered to be Recorded

Test, Benjamin Forman Clk

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R. D. Harris c.s.c.

North Carolina State; In the Name of God Amen
Hyde County I, Josiah Swindell of the State and County of me
being wick of good and sound mind and memory and calling to
to mind the uncertainty of this life and that it is appointed for all men to die
do make and ordain this my last will and Testament Revoking and disannulling
all Wills and Testaments by me formerly before me made and done And for such
worldly Goods as I have pleased God to bestow or give I leave in the manner
and form following, that is to say, I give, devise, bequeath and assign to my
beloved Wife Sarah Swindell all my Estate both Real and personal
that is my Land and Moveables Debts due to me and all other Accounts
whatsoever during her natural Life or Widowhood and after that to be
equally divided amongst my following children

I have and bequeath to my Son Frederick Swindell the one third part of
my Land now her on for him the uppermost part, I do leave and
bequeath to my Son Benjamin Swindell the one third part of the aforesaid
Land which is the Middlemost. I leave and bequeath to my Son Foster
Swindell the one third part of said Land being the lowermost part. I leave
and bequeath to my Daughter Mary Swindell one Cow and half also
furniture and furniture, I likewise leave all the Remaining or Residue
of my Estate to be equally divided amongst my four children (viz)
Frederick, Benjamin Foster and Mary Swindell I do bequeath and appoint my
beloved Wife Sarah Swindell Executrix and William Bonner Executor of this
my last Will and Testament Given under my Hand and Seal this third
day of December One thousand seven hundred and Eighty nine.

Signed, sealed and pronounced
in the presence of
Joseph Swindell
Henry Williamson
Josiah Swindell (Seal)

The above will was proved by the oath of
Joseph Swindell according to law &c. &c.
Ordered to be Recorded

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