

## Will of John Smith

In the name of God Amen, I John Smith of the County of Johnston and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory do this day make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following

Firstly

I recommend my soul to God that gave it and my body to be buried at the discretion of my executors

Secondly

I give and devise to my <sup>beloved</sup> wife Margaret Smith my lands and plantation whereon I now live also two negro women by name of Cherry and Agg also my household furniture except one bedstead and furniture also my working tools and all my stock of horses, hogs, sheep, and cattle except such as I shall give hereafter to her during her natural lifetime

Thirdly

I give and devise to my son John Smith two negroes (to wit) George and Judy to him & his heirs forever.

Fourthly

I give and devise to my daughter Penelope Smith one bedstead and furniture one cow and calf one negro girl by name of Rose to her and her heirs forever.

Fifthly

I give and bequeath to my son James Smith one negro man by name of Charles to him and his heirs forever.

Sixthly

I give and devise to my said wife two small negroes by name of Jack and Winney, one still during her natural lifetime

Sevently

My will and desire is that all the property heretofore given to my said wife after her death be equally divided between my two sons & daughter (to wit) John, James and Penelope Smith share and share alike to them and their heirs forever.

Eightly

The residue of any property not given away I leave to be sold and all my just debts paid and the overplus if any I give to my wife her lifetime and then to be divided as before directed.

Ninthly

I appoint my beloved son John Smith my executor to this my last will and testament and I hereby ratify and confirm this writing to be my last will and testament in witness whereof I the said John Smith do hereunto set my hand and seal this 27<sup>th</sup> day of December 1819

Attest  
Jeth. Hollimon  
Henry & Simons

John Smith (Real)

N.B.

My will and desire is that my son Cham Smith may not recover that money that he has my note for

State of North Carolina August Term 1829

Johnston County } Then was the execution of  
this will duly proven in open Court by the oaths of  
Jeth Hollimon and Henry Simons and ordered to be recorded  
R. Sanders Clk

## Will of David George

In the name of God Amen I David George of the County of Johnston and State of North Carolina being weak of body but of sound and perfect mind and memory Shreed be God do make publish and declare this to be my last will and testament in manner and following (to wit)

First

I recommend my soul to God who gave it and my body to be buried in a decent christian burial

Item

I lend to my beloved wife Winifred three hundred and thirty seven acres of land it being the tract of land whereon I now live including my plantation building and orchard for and during the term of her natural life and after the decease of my wife it is my will that the above named three hundred and thirty seven acres of land be sold and the money arising from the sale of said land and plantation be equally divided between my eldest children namely John, Alexy, Charity, Nancy, Joseph and Elizabeth to them and their heirs forever.

Item

I lend to my wife one negro woman named Hagar with her increase for and during the term of her natural life and after the decease of my wife it is my will that the said negro woman with her increase be equally divided between my younger children namely Isaac L, Wright L, Jeremiah & Mary to them and their heirs forever.

Item

I lend to my wife one negro man named Ben for and during the term of her widowhood and after my wife may or shall have <sup>into</sup> married again it is my will that the said negro man Ben be sold and the moneys arising from such sale be equally divided between my eldest children namely John, Alexy, Charity, Nancy, Joseph and Elizabeth to them and their heirs forever.

And having now in hand notes and judgments amounting to five hundred dollars which notes and judgments on the monies which said notes &c call for I give and bequeath to be equally divided between my youngest children namely Isaac L, Right L, Jeremiah and Mary to them and their heirs forever and it is also my will that the said monies be put out on interest which interest accruing thereon be applied to the purpose of educating the said Isaac, Right, Jeremiah and Mary.

Item I give and bequeath to my wife one mare and a two year old colt the mare commonly used as her riding creature to her and her heirs forever.

Also I give to my wife two cows and calves (her choice) also six ewes and lambs her choice, also four sows and pigs her choice to her and her heirs forever, the residue of my stock of cattle, horses, sheep, and hogs. I leave to be sold at public vendue and the monies arising from the sale thereof it is my will that it be equally divided between all my children namely John, Meey, Charity, Nancy, Joseph, Elizabeth, Isaac, Right, Jeremiah and Mary to them and their heirs forever.

Item I give to my wife one feather bed and furniture her choice one woman's saddle and bridle one chest to her and her heirs forever, the residue of my household and kitchen furniture as well as all my farming utensils, carts, casks one pair of cart wheels she still I leave to be sold at public (auction) vendue and after my just debts being paid the residue I leave to be equally divided between my younger children namely Isaac, Right, Jeremiah and Mary to them and their heirs forever.

Item I leave two negro women named Bet and Phillis to be sold at public vendue and the monies arising from the sale thereof to be equally divided between my eldest children namely John, Meey, Charity, Nancy, Joseph and Elizabeth to them and their heirs forever.

Item I give and devise to my daughter Meey one negro man named Giles also twenty five acres of land lying in the fork of Mill Creek joining the line of Robt Lail to her and her heirs forever.

Item I give and devise to my daughter Charity one negro man named Anthony to her and her lawful heirs of her body also one feather bedstead and furniture attached

to the same as also one chest to her and her heirs forever.

Item I give and devise to my son John one negro man named Adam to him and his heirs forever.

Item I give and devise to my son Joseph one negro man by the name of Phill to him and his heirs forever.

Item I give and devise to my daughter Nancy one negro woman named Penny with all her future increase to her and the lawful heirs of her body.

Item I leave and devise to my daughter Elizabeth one negro woman named Vilet with what children she has had to her after any have said negro woman having had three children since I placed her in the possession of my daughter Elizabeth as aforesaid to her and her heirs forever.

I leave for the support of my wife and family for the term of one year fifteen barrels of corn six hundred weight of bacon and sufficient quantity of land and one bushel of salt also sufficient quantity of cotton and wool as may be necessary for the above term all the sugar and coffee, molasses there is on hand as also what wheat there is on hand the residue of the crop of provision I leave to be sold and equally divided between my wife and younger children namely Isaac, Right, Jeremiah and Mary. and I make and ordain my trusty friends and Samuel Lee Jr and Josiah Adams as executors of this my last will and testament. Signed sealed published and declared by the testator as his last will and testament this 5<sup>th</sup> day February 1821

Jonathan Lee  
Jesse Adams

David George (Seal)

State of North Carolina } May Term 1821  
Johnston County } Then was the above  
will exhibited in open court by the oath of Jonathan  
Lee and Jesse Adams and ordered to be recorded.  
R. Sanders Clk