

my well beloved son Daniel and my well beloved daughter Susanah being except
Negro child which I desire to be at her disposal either before or at her death and I
hereby constitute and appoint my well beloved son Daniel Dea to be my sole ex-
ecutor of this my last will and testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my
hand and affixed my seal the day and year first mentioned.

The words of God's blessing

In Witness of us

Reedham Bryan

John Ralchiff

William L. James

Emanuel ^{his} Dea Seal
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Johnston Nov 2 1770

There was this will proven in due form of Law in
open Court by the oaths of Reedham Bryan & John James
two of the witnesses subscribers hereto Test John Ralchiff Clerk

William Watson's Will

I William Watson of Johnston County and province of North Carolina and parish of
St Stephens being weak and sick but of perfect mind and memory sheweth to God
for the same calling to mind that it is once appointed for all men once to die
I recommend my soul to God who gave it to me and my body to the earth to be buried
or interred according to the direction of my Executors To come I shall appoint hereafter

I will and bequeath to my brother Thomas Watson my new Suit of clothes Coat, jacket
& breeches my hat and silver cups

I will and bequeath to my brother James Watson a blue coat and a red jacket

I will and bequeath to my dear mother a red stuffer yawlking

I will and bequeath to my dear beloved wife Elizabeth Watson my riding
horse saddle and saddle and one young horse and all my cattle and hogs
only them that is fit for sale

I will and bequeath to my child that my wife is big of if it a boy to be called
William after my name all my land for ever or if it is a girl for it to
inherit the same in the same manner only my wife to live on it all the
child comes at age boy or girl and all the rest of my personal estate
after my funeral expenses and just debts is paid all the rest of my estate
that is left to my wife hogs and cattle and all my house hold goods to
be equally divided between my wife and child only the hogs and cattle that
is fit for sale and further if my child should not live be it male or female
then my land I will and leave and bequeath to my brother John Watson and his
heirs forever I will and bequeath my dear beloved wife Elizabeth Watson my whole
and sole Executor along with my son Daniel James Watson as witnesses my hand
this 3^d day of September 1764

John Driggs

Mary Driggs

John Watson

William ^{his} Watson Seal
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Robert West's Will

In the name of God Amen I Robert West of the County of Johnston and
State of North Carolina being in a low state of health but thanks be to God of
sound and perfect mind and memory and knowing that it is appointed for
all men once to die do make and declare this my last will and testament in
manner and form following To wit I give and recommend my soul to God
who gave it trusting in his mercies and in the merits of my dear Redeemer
for remission of all my sins Desiring that my body may be disposed of
of in Christian burial and to such temporal estate as God hath blessed
me with I give and bequeath and dispose of in the following manner
I give and bequeath to my son James West Twenty shillings specie money
I give and bequeath to my Grand daughter Esther Thomas One Horse Bridle, Saddle
I give and bequeath to my Grand daughter Jerusha Johnson one Cow & calf
I give and bequeath to my Grand daughter Elizabeth Johnson one Cow and calf
I give and bequeath to my son in law Henry Johnson Eight head of cattle
six deep pewter plates two of my largest pewter Basins and one feather bed.
And my will is that the remainder of my house hold furniture and hogs
be equally divided between all my other children not yet named viz
Amy Joiner, Debby Johnson, Nathaniel West Patience Maurice I shall House
and I do hereby appoint my son in law Henry Johnson Executor of this my last
will and testament and I do hereby disavow all former wills by me
made declaring this and no other to be my last will and testament. Signed
Sealed in the presence of

R. Rivers

John Paul

Henry Johnson

Deaf as Deaf

Robert ^{his} West Seal
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Edith Tipton's Will

In the name of God Amen - I Edith Tipton of the State of North Carolina and County of
Johnston being sick and weak in body but of sound and perfect mind and memory
sheweth to God for the same and calling to mind the mortality of my body and
knowing that it is appointed for all once to die do make and ordain this in-
strument to contain my last will and testament in manner and form following
I give and bequeath to my friend William Beard for his kindness to me in
my affliction the whole of my property let it consist of whatsoever nature
or kind it be with all my wearing apparel (except fifty Cents) to him
and his heirs forever

I give to William Beard my son in law Fifty Cents to him and his heirs forever
To wit I constitute and nominate and appoint my friend William Beard my
Executor to this my last will and testament in witness whereof I have hereunto
set my hand and seal this 4th day of August 1871 Edith Tipton Seal

Robert Hood Dent Deaf as Deaf

State of North Carolina, August Term 1871
Johnston County I then was the Executor of this will duly proven in open Court by the oaths of
Joseph Hester and John Ralchiff

Ann Watkins 'Will'

10th Day of May 1802 Aaron Spriggs Needham Godwin Came before me Circuit Court Justice for Johnston County and made oath that of the 4th of May 1803 Ann Watkins of Johnston County, Called on them to be witnesses how she would give the free part of her estate

Aaron Spriggs and Needham Godwin did say before me as follows that Ann Watkins gave to her two daughters Peggy Watkins and Anna Watkins Ten Horse named Bucks One Cow and calf to each of them two heads of sheep to each of them and half his hogs to them for ever she lent her house hold furniture to them as long as they live single and she lent her land and plantation to them both as long as they both are single

She gave to her son Allen Watkins his bed and furniture
She gave to her son Willie Watkins, Allen Watkins and Anna Watkins all the remaining part of her estate to be divided between them
She gave her share to James Watkins son of Allen Watkins
Given to before me Circuit Court

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P. G. Ambrose Clerk

Jacob Watsons 'Will'

In name of God Amen - I Jacob Watson of Johnston County being in proper sense possessed to get to make this my last will and testament as follows
I give to my son Jekie my Smith tools and rifle gun and seven head of hogs - I give to my son Solomon my cows and other gear - I give to my daughter Ann my horse and four heads of cattle - I give to my son Simon three head of cattle and three head of sheep - I give to my daughter Lett Sarahs four head of sheep - I give to my daughter Mary four head of cattle and the rest and residue of my goods and chattels and personal estate after the payment of my debts legacies and funeral expenses and unto my wife Elizabeth whom I make sole executrix of this my last will and testament - I give devise and bequeath to her and her heirs all and every my messuages whosoever and wheresoever which I also charge with payment of my said legacies In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the 18th Day of April in the year of our Lord 1773. Signed subscribed and delivered by the above named Jacob Watson for and as his last will and testament in the presence of us

James Watkins
John Grant

David Watson
Jesse Watson

Jacob Watson (Seal)

Perry Wall Will

In the name of God Amen - I Perry Wall of Johnston County being of sound and perfect mind and memory blessed be God so this the 8th Day of July in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and thirty six make and publish this my last will and testament in manner following that is to say first I give and bequeath unto my wife Abie Wall one horse brood able to work and calf two cows and furniture one cow and pigs one year and lamb one table and one chest one wheel and another turning wheel one pot and spitor one skillet and 7 chairs one case of mess & pot one spoon and half of the yearners ware longing to me one tin and pail and one piggin his life time or widowhood soon as she marries the property to be sold and be divided among the children the use of my body my son John R. Wall I give and bequeath him one cow and be to be his wife my second love then sold and told first to his part as for as it goes sell the rest and pay the debts and then divide the rest of the money to be worn my children I hereby make and ordain my worthy friend Jesse Wall senior and Wm. Orley Linton Executors of this my last will and testament I witness whereof I the said Perry Wall have to this my last will and testament set my hand and seal the day and year before written

Perry Wall (Seal)
Signed, sealed & published and delivered by the said Perry Wall the testator his last will and testament in the presence of us who were present at the time of signing and sealing thereof

Marshall Murphy

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North Carolina } William Thompson 'Will'
Johnston County }

In the name of God Amen

I William Thompson Sr of the County an province aforesaid being weak in body but in perfect mind and memory as I know it is appointed for all men once to die and afterwards to come to judgment so first and principally recommend my soul into the hands of almighty God who first gave me being into the world and my body to be buried at the direction of my executors hereinafter named I have land and bequeath to my well beloved wife Sarah Thompson the plantation whereon I dwell situated on horse creek and also all the use of my slaves consisting of Komer, Moss, Cattle and hogs except of two cows and Celia and also to my well beloved daughter Sally Thompson and also the same Robert Cattle to my daughter Wally Thompson and also all my house hold furniture whatever excepting one feather bed and furniture to Sally Thompson and also one other bed and furniture to Mollie Thompson to be paid out of my estate at the respective days of marriage of each of my daughters or at the arrival of eighteen years or both or either of them

I give and bequeath to my well beloved son John Thompson four shillings

I give and bequeath to Silas Mond for the use of my daughter Betty Mond five shillings
"over"