

Will of Elizabeth Barnes

In the name of God Amen I Elizabeth Barnes of the County of Johnston and State of North Carolina knowing that it is appointed unto all men to die do make and declare this my last will and testament (to wit)

I lend all my lands and plantation wherein I now live to my brother Etheldred Bell during his lifetime and after his death then my will and desire is that the same lands go to my niece Elizabeth Whitter and her heirs forever but if she should die without bearing lawful issue living at the time of her death then my desire is that the said lands and plantation shall go to my sister Penelope Jones and her heirs forever

I lend my niece Elizabeth Whitter two negroes known by the name of Liddy & Wimmy during her life and then to the lawful heirs of her body but if she should die without bearing lawful issue living at her death then my desire is that the said negroes shall go to my sister Penelope Jones and her heirs forever.

I give to my sister Penelope Jones three negroes known by names Malet, Puffe & Samer to her and her heirs forever

I lend to Etheldred Bell four negroes known by the names Burnell, Phillis, Haywood & Deverso during his life and after his death it is my desire that Ann Meriah Avera and Mary McCullers, wife of John Avera & William H. McCullers shall have the said Burnell, Phillis & Cagwood to be equally divided between them and their heirs forever and Deverso to go to my sister Penelope Jones and her heirs forever.

I lend to my niece Martha Bell daughter of Benjamin Bell two negroes known by the names of Judy & Isaac during her life and after her death it is my will and desire that Isaac shall be equally divided between Julia Sanders and Elizabeth Whitter daughters of Ashley Sanders and Phadene Whitter to them and their heirs forever and Judy to go to my sister Penelope Jones and her heirs forever. I give to Martha Bell one hundred dollars to her and her heirs forever.

I give to my brother Etheldred Bell one bed pedestal and furniture also the kitchen furniture and horse his choice and it is my will that all the residue of my property of every kind not above willed away be sold by my executor hereafter named on a credit of six months and that all just debts be paid out of the proceeds of sale and the balance of said sale should there be any together with all monies or debts due my estate I give unto my said brother Etheldred Bell and my sister Penelope Jones to be equally divided to them and their heirs forever and I do hereby make and appoint Etheldred Bell to execute this my last will and testament in presence of this 30 day of March 1849 witness my hand

seal
Zachariah Wellons
Thomas J. Pool

Elizabeth Barnes *(Signature)*

Johnston County Court

May Term 1849

Then was the executing of the foregoing will duly proven in open court by the oath of Zachariah Wellons one of the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded

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