

Hill of Esther Johnson

In the name of God Amen I Esther Johnston of the County of Johnston and State of North Carolina being of sound and perfect mind and memory blessed be God do this 13 day of December in the year of our Lord 1822 make and publish this my last will and testament in manner following that is to say

First - I give and bequeath to my daughter Patsy Johnston one feather bed and furniture.

I give to my daughter Laveney Johnston one feather bed and furniture. I have 2 feathers that I desire that they be divided and put equally unto my daughter Patsy and Laveney Johnsons bed this to be done by my executor. I also give my daughter Patsy Johnson one sorrel mare and one woman's saddle and bridle. I also give to my daughter Laveney one horse colt the best one I have.

I give to my worthy friend Cindy Shipes one cow and calf to be delivered to the said Cindy by my executor.

I give to my daughter one dollar in cash to her and her heirs and assigns forever.

I give to my daughter Sally Pool one dollar in cash to her and her heirs and assigns forever.

I give to my daughter Betsy Pace one dollar in cash to her and her heirs and assigns forever.

I give to my son West Johnson one dollar in cash to him and his heirs and assigns forever.

I give to my son Warren Johnson one dollar in cash to him and his heirs and assigns forever.

I also give to my grand daughter Amanda J. Johnson one feather bed and furniture. My last or portion that will be due me from my deceased husband estate I desire that my executor should expose it to sale as he may think proper to the best advantage and at his own discretion either private or publick sale and pay all my just debts and the residue to be equally divided between my daughter Patsy and Laveney Johnson this to be done by my executor. I also have a piece or parcel of land I desire for it to be divided between my daughter Patsy and Laveney Johnson to be done by the executor the way he think best either sold or divided at private or publick sale. I also desire that my executor should have the care of my two daughters wife and educate them in a decent a manner as their property or money will admit or as my executor may think best to

spend the money on my two daughters Patsy and Laveney Johnson and I hereby make and retain my worthy son West Johnson my executor of this my last will and testament in witness whereof I the said Esther Johnson have to this my last will and testament set my hand and seal the day and year above written.

I allow to my executor ten per cent for his services on all amounts signed sealed published and declared by the said Esther Johnson the testator as her last will and testament in the presence of us

Test -

William Roberts  
Gideon Gower

Esther Johnston Seal

State of North Carolina } February Term 1823

Johnston County } Then was the execution  
of this will duly proven in open court by the  
oaths of William Roberts and Gideon Gower and  
ordered to be recorded

R. Sanders Elk

Hill of Dr Stewart Bosworth

Smithfield Johnston Co State of North Carolina.

On Thursday the twenty third of June eighteen hundred and twenty five Dr Stewart Bosworth being in full possession of his mental faculties but worn down with fever and believing that he was about to die did to me and in the hearing of Miss Patsy Guy make known the following disposition of his property verbally.

In the first place Dr Bosworth orders in the event of his death that all his just debts should be paid. In the next place Dr Bosworth that if any money or property should remain after his debts were discharged that the residue should be paid or given to his brother John for his sole and exclusive use. In testimony whereof I here affix my name

July 1<sup>st</sup> 1825 William Henderson  
Patsy G. Guy

Test -

William H. Bryan

State of North Carolina, Johnston Co August Term 1825  
Then was this verbal will duly proven in open court by the oaths of W. H. Bryan & W. Henderson and ordered to be recorded