

other wills and testaments by me made heretofore.

In witness whereof I the said John Dixon do hereunto set my hand and seal this the 23rd day of December A.D. 1857
Signed sealed published and declared by the said John Dixon to be my last will and testament in the presence of us who at his request and in his presence do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto.
John H. Dixon *(Seal)*
Patrick Dixon
Lamy Dixon

Court of Pleas and Quarter session November Term 1857. In open court this paper writing was duly proved by the subscribing witness Lamy Dixon and ordered to be recorded
John H. Keneday clk.
by H. J. Bell act-

Will of Jesse Adams

In the name of God Amen I Jesse Adams of the County of Johnston and State of North Carolina of sound disposing mind and memory declare my last will and testament in manner and form following (to wit)

Item 1st I give to my son Sir William B. Adams no negro man by the name of Virgil, one negro boy by the name of Lamy one set of blacksmiths tools all my carpenters tools to him and his heirs forever.

Item 2nd I lend to my beloved wife Elenor all my lands and the following negroes namely Gurve, Lucy Jackson Sarah Gabriel, Julia, Marywood & Charity for and during the term of her natural life and after her death I give the said land and negroes to my son William B. Adams and his heirs forever.

Item 3rd It is my will that the debts due me be collected out of which my past debts be paid and the ballance of the monies remaining to be equally divided between my beloved wife and my son Sir William B. Adams also my flock of sheep to be equally divided in the same manner.

Item 4th I give to my beloved wife Elenor all the ballance of my property, goods, & effects of whatsoever kind and nature not above described of to her and her heirs forever and do hereby constitute and appoint my son Sir William B. Adams executor of this my last will and testament.

Whereas by the last will of Hard Adams deceased he directed his executor to collect monies due him from the Mounds and pay the same to Horatio Griffin or his representatives receiving the interest and ten per cent and I the executor proceed to collect and advance to the said Horatio Griffin who was then living in Tennessee the sum of eighty dollars true I hold his receipt for \$100 but there was not but 80 remitted as will appear by certificate and his letter and as soon as I collected the ballance I addressed several letters to him in succession with a view of closing my duties as executor but received no answer. I verbally understood that he had removed further west but have not been able to learn by letter or otherwise where he is and now it is my desire that my executor act of the monies in hand or the proceeds of my estate remit the ballance which is fifty dollars paying no interest thereon to the said Horatio Griffin or his representatives provided

they shall present such evidence as shall be sufficient to satisfy my eyes that they are the identical persons referred to in the will of the aforesaid Henry Adams.
Signed sealed published and declared by me the testator as my last will and testament hereby revoking all former wills the day and year above written.

Jersey Adams (Seal)

Johnston County Court

February Term 1852

Then was this will submitted to probate & hand writing and signature duly proven in open court and ordered to be recorded.

John H. Kennedy clk.
by R. J. Bell assistant.

Will of Josiah Ogden Waton.

In the name of God Amen, I Josiah Ogden Waton of Johnston County North Carolina do make, publish and declare the following as my last will and testament - I wish my body in my family vault in the grave yard at Raleigh by the side of my deceased wife & daughter whom it pleased God, to call before me and as for my worldly estate and goods I dispose of them all as follows

Item 1 I have a brother John B. Waton in Alabama to whom I have already given all my estate real & personal in the States of Alabama & Mississippi & now I lend to him during his life my negro man Daniel the carpenter & Daniels wife Sarah Lous Jim & Rocksamna and infant Melbena with their increase born or to be born after the twentieth Nov 1850 and after the death of my said brother I give the said slaves and their increase to my brother Johns children share and share alike equally to be divided between themselves he should see fit by his will to distribute said slaves otherwise. I give my gold watch to my brother John.

Item 2 I have two plantations lying below Smithfield on Neuse River known by the name of the Islands containing in the whole two thousand acres or more in two separate plantations there are on each plantation a number of slaves known as belonging to said plantations and all necessary tools stock &c &c Now I do hereby give devise & bequeath all that part of said estate which I purchased of Daniel Boon & John Farmers heirs to wit mostly lying north of Pole Cat Creek called Austins plantation and all the slaves thereon with their increase born or to be born after 20th November 1850 (being somewhere between forty and fifty in number) and all the improvements, stock, farming tools & every thing belonging to it except the provisions and crops unto my nephew George W. Waton son of John B. Waton to have and to hold to him from the end of the year of my death for and during his natural life and at his death the same shall belong to in fee simple to his child or children if he has any alive at his death or the issue of any child of said George W. Waton who may predecease the said George W. Waton, but if the said G. W. Waton should die without such issue living at his death the whole estate & property shall be equally divided