

Will of Samuel Felks

In the name of God Amen I Samuel felks of the County of Johnston and State of North Carolina do make ordain & declare this instrument of writing to be my last will and testament revoking all others first of all my debts to be punctually and speedily paid.

Item I give and bequeath to my son Garret felks the tract of land I bought of John Vinson containing three hundred acres bounded as the deed from said Vinson will more fully show and one negro man named Patrick one negro girl named Luck to him and his heirs forever.

Item I give and bequeath unto John felks the tract of land I bought of Eliza Thoms containing three hundred acres more or less and bounded as deed from said Eliza as will more fully show and one negro man named Martin and one negro boy named Charles to him and his heirs forever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my son Ethelred felks the tract of land I bought of Shadrach Eason wherein I now live containing four hundred and forty acres be the same more or less as the deed from said Eason will more fully show and one negro man named Lemar and one negro boy named Lewis to him and his heirs forever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my daughters Betsey felks and Rebecca felks and Tabitha felks one negro woman named Silva and her children she now has and her increase from this time forwards to be equally divided between my three daughters as above mentioned when I decess.

Item The rest of my property not herein mentioned is to be sold and the money arising from such sale after paying my just debts to be equally divided between my three sons and my three daughters as aforesaid mentioned. After giving one negro woman named Chaney to my daughter Rebecca felks. Lastly I constitute and appoint my friends John Watson and Johnathan Waller executors of this my last will and testament as witnesses my hand and seal

this six day of October in the year 1804

Samuel felks (Seal)

Test-
Roderic Sauls
William Waller.

Johnston County February Term 1805

Then was the above will exhibited in open court for probate which was duly proven and ordered to be recorded

R. Sanders C. C.

Will of Jesse Britt

In the name of God Amen I Jesse Britt of Johnston County and State of North Carolina being in a now state of health but of sound and perfect mind and memory for which I am thankful to the Almighty God do make and ordain this my last will and testament in the following manner (to wit)

First I lend unto my beloved wife Nancy Britt during her life a widowhood the use of my plantation whereon I now live with the land adjoining containing one hundred and eighty acres more or less beginning at a post oak in William Dodds line runs nearly east to a line of blazed trees to a hickory in the old line thence the said line south to a stake thence a line of blazed trees to James Morris line thence his line to a sweet gum on the bank of Little creek thence up the various courses of the creek to the beginning and after her life of widowhood to be disposed of as is herein after expressed. I also lend to my aforesaid wife Nancy Britt all my stock of horses, cattle and hogs, geese and dumghill, fowls and all my plantations working tools and all my kitchen and dwelling household furniture the corn and meat now in hand for the use of her and family during her life or widowhood and to be disposed of as is herein after expressed.

Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved daughter Elizabeth Reeves five shillings to her and her heirs forever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved son Johnathan Britt

a certain parcel of land lying on the north side of Little creek beginning at a post oak in Wm. Dodds line runs north to a stake, east to a pine thence south to a Hickory thence west a line of blazed trees to the first station containing one hundred and ninety more or less, also one half of my blacksmiths tools to him and his heirs forever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved son Rodding Britt five shillings to him and his heirs forever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved sons Calvin Britt and little Berry Britt my plantation wherein I now live and the land adjoining which I above lent unto my aforesaid wife to them to be equally interested in the same to them and their heirs forever providing only the use of the same to her during her life or widowhood. I also give and bequeath unto my son Calvin Britt the other half of blacksmith tools to him and his heirs forever.

Item I will and devise all the aforesaid property which I lent unto my aforesaid wife excepting the lands and what is used in supporting the family, after the expiration of her widowhood to be sold by my executors herein after named at six months credit and the money arising to be equally divided between my aforesaid wife and my daughters (to wit) Rachel Moore, Nancy Britt, Winifred Britt, Eliza Britt, Liddy Britt, Polly Britt and Charlotte Britt to them and their heirs forever.

Item It is further my will and devise that a certain tract or parcel of land beginning at a stake runs thence south to James Morris line thence his line to a pine thence a line of blazed trees to the beginning containing one hundred and twenty eight acres more or less to be sold by my executors and the money arising to be applied to the payment of my just debts and the balance if any remaining to be expended in raising my small children and lastly I do hereby constitute make and ordain my aforesaid wife and son Jonathan Britt executors to this my last will and testament revoking and making null and void all other wills or bequests by me made heretofore and satisfying this and only this to be my last will and testament in witness whereof I the said Jesse Britt have hereunto set my

hand and ^{affixed} seal the 19th day of March in the twenty ninth year of American Independence and in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and five signed sealed published and declared by the testator to be his last will and testament in the presence of

Witness before assigned
Caden Willoughby.
James Moody.
S. Brown.

Jesse ^{Britt} Britt (seal)

Johnston County August Term 1805-

Then was the above will exhibited in open court for probate which was duly proven and ordered to be recorded
R. Sanders C. J.