

Will of John Phillips Sr

In the name of God Amen I John Phillips Sr of the County of Johnston and State of North Carolina being weak in body and in bad health but in sound mind and memory thanks be to God and calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do this day make and attain establish and confirm my last will and testament in manner and form following (to wit)

First My will and devise is that all my just debts shall be paid by my executor out of my property as soon after my decease as it may be practicable

Secondly I give and bequeath unto each of my sons William Phillips Hamilton Phillips, Ditch Phillips, John Phillips Jr, Eliot Phillips and Barnas Phillips and my daughter Edith Woodall the sum of fifty cents to be fully and freely enjoyed by them and their heirs and assigns forever having heretofore given them more than I shall be able now to give my younger children.

Thirdly I lend unto my beloved wife Polly Phillips my land whereon I now live and all the balance of my property of every description which may remain after paying my just debts and which is not otherwise disposed of during her natural life or widowhood and after her decease or marriage I then give and bequeath the same unto my three sons namely Fort J. Phillips Elijah H. Phillips and Lewis D. Phillips to be equally divided amongst them share and share alike and to be fully and freely enjoyed by them and their heirs and assigns forever.

Lastly I nominate and appoint my friend Jesse Holt executor to this my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this the 26th day of September A.D. 1837. Signed
sealed in the presence of
Etheldred Holt
William Brown

November Term 1839, then was the above will exhibited in open court and duly proven by the oaths of Etheldred Holt & William Brown and ordered to be recorded

Moses Gardner

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Will of Moses Gardner

In the name of God Amen I Moses Gardner do this day it being the twenty first of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty nine make and publish this my last will and testament being in sound mind and memory but weak in body (blessed be God) do this day that is above written make and publish this my last will and testament to wit

First I the said Moses Gardner do give and bequeath unto my beloved daughter Polly Gardner one bed and furniture one painted chest I also give unto my beloved daughter Finty Gardner one bed and furniture and one painted chest also I give unto my beloved daughter Gilly Gardner one bed and furniture and one painted chest also I give unto my son Henderson Gardner one bed and furniture and one mare colt also I give unto my beloved son Jesse Gardner one bed and furniture and if the mare colt that I give unto my son Henderson lives to be four years old then to try to raise my son Jesse a colt from said Hendersons mare until the colt is one year old at least. Also I the said Moses Gardner give unto my beloved wife Amy Gardner the tract of land that I am now possessed of that being two hundred and forty nine acres more or less to have during her life time and then to be equally divided between my two sons to have equal number of acres also one that I do divide the orchard for the other one to have half the profit thereof that is of said orchard the said gift is to my beloved son that is Henderson Gardner & Jesse Gardner. Also I do give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Amy Gardner one bed and furniture also I give to my beloved wife two head of horses and all my hogs that I have up fattening about eighteen head also all my sows and shoats also one cow and yearling and four head of steers also all my stock of sheep and all my geese also I the said Moses Gardner do give and bequeath unto my wife Amy Gardner all my crop that is made of every kind that is corn, cotton, potatoes, fodder, peases & also all the household and kitchen furniture that is not mentioned together with all my working tools until my boys get old enough to use them that is the tools then for my said wife to give unto my said sons the tools as she pleases, and I also give unto my beloved wife my cart and wheels & all that belongs to said cart and one side saddle also my plows and gear belonging thereto and two mens saddle also I give to my beloved wife two sides of leather that is in tan also I the said Moses Gardner do give and bequeath unto my beloved daughters