

Will of John Sanders

In the name of God Amen I John Sanders of the County of Johnston and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and perfect memory pleased be God for the same do this eleventh day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty make and ordain and publish this to be my last will and testament in manner and form following (that is to say)

Item I lend unto my beloved wife Mary Sanders the Houses, Mill and plantation whereon I now live with all the lands adjoining thereto and also the following negroes (to wit) Isaac and his wife Famer and her two children Bazilla and Sam, Gufford, Joseph Chinton, Heywood, Patience and her two children Foster and Dick, Sarah, Anaca and Evelina during her natural life or widowhood and I also lend her for the same term of time my still, cap, worn and also my secretary and all of my books and side board.

Item I give to my beloved wife Mary Sanders five head of horses her choice ten cows and calves or yearlings her choice also a sufficiency of corn, fodder and meat and all such other articles as will be necessary for the comfortable support of her and her family for one year and also a plenty of stock hogs such as sows and pigs or shoats for her and family another year also all my household and kitchen furniture which I do not hereafter give away also a sufficiency of working tools for her family also my blacksmith tools also my best wagon and gear two yokes of oxen her choice my log wheels and chains belonging thereto also my gegg and harness to her and her heirs forever.

Item I give to my daughter, Jennie G. Sanders the following negroes (to wit) Patay and her children, Hardy, Emeline, Anthony and Tempy which is now in her possession as has been to her and her heirs forever.

Item I give to my daughter Nancy P. Sanders the following negroes (to wit) Millie, Simar, Gills, Doctor, Nanny, Jagg, Lucy and Phereby and one bed and furniture and one chest of drawers which was formerly her mothers to her and her heirs.

Item I give to my daughter Elizabeth W. Sanders my piano to her and her heirs forever.

Item I give to my sons John F. Sanders, William B. Sanders, Willis H. Sanders, Robert A. Sanders and Claudius B. Sanders all the lands which I am or may be possessed of at my death to be equally divided between them if they all should live to the age of twenty one years but if one or more of them should not live to the age of twenty one years, then and in that case those of them which do live to that age is to have the aforesaid lands, except the land which I have lent to my wife and she is to keep that during her natural life or widowhood and I do hereby give all the aforesaid lands, as aforesaid mentioned to my said sons or such of them as do live to the age of twenty one years to them and their heirs forever.

Item I give to my beloved wife Mary Sanders, my daughter Elizabeth W. Sanders and my sons John F. Sanders, William B. Sanders, Willis H. Sanders, Claudius B. Sanders and Robert A. Sanders all my negroes which I have not mentioned either as given or lent in this will to them and their heirs forever except it should be necessary to sell some of them. I wish the part which may be sold to be of the worst or most ungovernable so as for my wife and children to have the best the negroes aforesaid mentioned in this.

Item I wish to be kept in one common stock only as a child may arrive to the age of twenty one years or my daughter Elizabeth should marry then and in that case for them to have their part or share attached off in as near equal value as possible and in case my wife should wish her part attached off to her I wish that done whenever she wishes it done and I wish Luvenia and her children Kilah, Vilet, Ellen and Austin to be in her lot of negroes.

Item I give to my son Baldy Sanders one hundred dollars to him and his heirs forever.

Item I give to my daughter Frenquella Boddie one hundred dollars to her and her heirs forever.

Item I give to my daughter Elizabeth W. Sanders my sons John F. Sanders, William B. Sanders, Willis H. Sanders, Robert A. Sanders and Claudius B. Sanders all the negroes I have lent my wife after her death or widowhood to them and their heirs forever.

Item I give also the other articles which I lent my wife and the still worn and cap to the above named children.

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 In the name of God Amen I John Sanders of the County
 of Johnston and State of North Carolina being of sound mind
 and perfect memory blessed be God for the same do thus declare

the last Item before this after her death or widowhood to
 them and their heirs forever.

Item I give my still room and cap after my wifes death
 or widowhood to that one of my sons which may get the
 houses and lands whereon I now live to him his heirs forever.

Item I leave all the property which is not mentioned in this
 will to be sold and applied to the payments of my just debts.

Item I do hereby make and ordain my sons Baldy Sanders and
 William W. Boddie my executors to this my last will and
 testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand
 and seal and do publish and declare the above written to be
 my last will and testament in

the presence of
 Ely Holland
 Jonathan ^{his} ~~mark~~ Hovarr

J. Sanders (Seal)

Johnston County November Term 1830

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