

Will of Arthur Sasser

In the name of God Amen I Arthur Sasser of Johnston County in the State of North Carolina being of sound and perfect mind and memory blessed be God do this 5th March in the year of our Lord 1815 make and publish this my last will and testament in manner following the is to say.

First my will is that eighty acres of my land joining of James Leones land and James Nations land lying on the north side of Abnams branch should be sold and the value thereof put to the use of paying my just debts.

Item I lend to my beloved wife Elizabeth Sasser fifty acres of land including the plantation whereon I now live on the north side of Abnams branch joining Henry Sassers land also one feather bed and furniture two cows and calves one work horse one wool wheel and cards one linen wheel one penitible two poster basins six plates and six spoons one loom and gear one water tub pail and pigging also one cow and pigs one bible one chest and one iron pot one ditch oven three chairs and two stone mugs during her natural life or widowhood and at her second marriage or decease my will is that the above mentioned land should belong to my son Goriah Sasser. I also give to said Goriah Sasser my son one hundred and eighty acres of land more joining Henry Sassers and Thomas Atkinsons it being the balance of my land.

Item I give to my daughter Nancy Sasser one cow and calf.
Item I give to my daughter Edith Sasser five shillings and all the remainder of my property of what kind soever it be with the above mentioned personal property which I have lent to my wife I desire it should be equally divided between my daughter Nancy and my son Goriah and my daughter Sally and my daughter Elizabeth and my daughter Emily and my daughter Penny and daughter Brady and I hereby make and ordain my worthy friend Henry Sasser and my Goriah Sasser executors of this my last will and testament in witnesses whereof I the said Arthur Sasser have to this my last will and testament set my hand and seal the day and year above written. Signed sealed published and declared by said Arthur Sasser the testator as his last will and testament in the presence of us who were present at the signing and sealing thereof.

Thomas Atkinson
Thomas Brady
George Sillibent.

Arthur Sasser (seal)

Will of Joseph Blackman

In the name of God Amen I Joseph Blackman of the State of North Carolina Johnston County being sick and weak of body but of sound memory at present thanks be to God for the same but calling to mind the mutability of mankind and for the better settling of my personal affairs I do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following.

First I give my soul to God who gave it and my body to the ground to be decently buried at the discretion of my surviving friends.

Item I leave one tract of land containing one hundred acres known by the name of the Wallis place to be sold for money to pay my debts and the balance if any to my wife Polly.

Item I give to my wife Polly one hundred acres of land the tract whereon I now live.

Item I give to my wife Polly my mare together with my cattle hogs and sheep also my household goods and kitchen furniture together with all my plantation utensils and all other of my property that may not be included in the above written articles to her proper use to dispose as per discretion.

Last of all I do constitute and appoint Sterling W. Temple and Jeremiah Blackman to executors this my last will and testament revoking and disannulling all other wills heretofore by me made in witness hereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 7th day of May 1815.

Signed sealed and delivered in presence

of us Test
Arthur Blackman
George Worthingill
Elisha Stanley

Joseph Blackman (seal)

Johnston County August term 1815

Then was the above will was exhibited in open court for probate which was duly proven and admitted to record.

R. Sanders Clerk.