

testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same and every part and clause thereof hereby revoking and declaring utterly void all other wills & testaments by me heretofore made

In witness whereof I the said William Eldridge do hereunto set my hand and seal this the 7<sup>th</sup> of November 1856. Signed sealed and declared by William Eldridge to be his last will and testament in the presence of us who at his request and in his presence do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto

David Blackman  
Isaac Eldridge

William Eldridge

Johnston County Court August Term 1857.  
Then was the due execution of this paper writing proven in open court by the oath and examination of the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded and filed & John Eldridge the executor therein duly qualified as such  
J. H. Kennedy clk

### Will of Josiah Hinman

I Josiah Hinman of the County of Johnston and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence do make and declare this my last will and testament in manner following that is to say,

First- That my executors herein after named shall pay all my just debts howsoever and to whosoever owing out of the monies that may first come into their hands as a part or parcel of my estate

Item 1 I give and devise to my youngest son Hardy all the tract of land whereon I now live including my mansion house all out houses and other improvements to have and to hold to him and his heirs in fee simple forever with the exception of three acres of land in the south West corner of the above tract in front of my son Henrys house north commencing at the corner running east the full extent of three acres in length and one in width.

Item 2 I give to my son Henry the above named three acres of land in front of his house to have and to hold to him and his heirs in fee simple forever.

Item 3 I give to my grand son William Hinman one bed,stead and furniture

Item 4 My will is that my executors shall sell the ballance of my property at the highest bidder consisting of eight negro namely Echem Jr, Samex, Amanda, Exum Jr, Jane, Judy, Peter and Anderson household and kitchen furniture stock and all else that my executors will find and collect all monies due my estate that is subject to be collected.

Item 5 Out of the money proceeding from the above named property I give to my grand son William Hinman 50 dollars in money to have and to hold forever.

Item 6 I give to my grandson John Wm Hinman twenty dollars in money to have and to hold forever.

Item 7 I give to my three daughters Sally wife of Jesse Watson Nancy wife of Joel Barnes and Perry wife of W. H. Pearce each fifty dollars in money to have and to hold forever.

All the above named monies are to be paid by my executors arising from the sale of the above named property

Item 8 All the ballance of money remaining in the hand of my executor if any my will is to be equally divided between all my children namely Sally Watson, William H.

James Hinnant - Nancy Barnes John Hinnant - Stephen Hinnant - Perry Hinnant - Hardy Hinnant - and Penny Pearce each to have and to hold forever.

And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my beloved and truly-sons James & Stephen Hinnant my lawful executors to all intents and purposes to execute this my last will and testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same and every part and clause thereof hereby revoking declaring utterly void all other wills and testaments by me hereto made.

In witness whereof I the said Josiah Hinnant do hereunto set my hand and seal this the 5<sup>th</sup> day of January 1856. Signed sealed published and declared by the said Josiah Hinnant to be his last will and testament in the presence of us who at his request and in his presence do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto.

Witness  
Wm. H. Joyner  
Henry R. Alford

Josiah Hinnant {Seal}

Johnston County Court August Term 1857  
Then was the execution of this paper writing duly proven in open court by the oaths of W. H. Joyner & H. R. Alford the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded and filed

### Will of William Hinnant Sr

I William Hinnant of Johnston County and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence do make and declare this to be my last will and testament in manner and form following that is to say  
First - That my executors herein after named shall provide for my body a decent burial to the wishes of my relatives and friends and pay all funeral and burial expenses together with all my just debts howsoever and whomever owing out of the moneys that may first come into his hands as a part or parcel of my estate

Item I give and devise to my beloved son Jesse Hinnant one dollar to be his part of my estate.

Item I give and devise to my beloved wife Sally Hinnant all the remainder of my property viz. One gray mare all my stock of hogs all the corn and fodder on hand all my farming utensils one horse cart all household and kitchen furniture all my tools of every description my saddle and bridle and all the monies that is due me after paying my funeral and burial expenses and all my just debts that has not been disposed of in the first item to my son Jesse Hinnant.

And lastly I do hereby appoint my truly friend Stephen Bagley my lawful executor to all intents and purposes to execute this my last will and testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same and every part and clause thereof hereby revoking and declaring utterly void all other wills and testaments by me heretofore made. In witness whereof I the said William Hinnant Sr do hereunto set my hand and seal this the 12<sup>th</sup> day of March 1858. Signed sealed published and declared by the said William Hinnant Sr to be his last will and testament in the presence of us who at his request and in his presence do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto.

W. H. Joyner  
L. R. Alford

William Hinnant {Seal}

State of North Carolina Johnston County  
Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions November Term 1858  
Issue having been made up between Stephen Bagley