

Will of Mead Gulley

In the name of God Amen I Mead Gulley of the State of North Carolina and Johnston County being weak in body but of a sound and perfect understanding do constitute this my last and testament and devise it may be received by all as such, as to my worldly estate which it hath pleased God to give me I give and bequeath in manner and form following and resign my soul to God who gave it in the name of Jesus Christ-

Item First my will and devise is that all my debts be punctually paid and that two those grass heifers be sold and some other perishable property which may be best spared.

Item I give and bequeath unto my wife Liver Gulley to her and her four children forever to wit- William, Nancy, Sabay and Polly one hundred acres of land with houses and plantation and the profit thereon and six head of cattle two milch cows the other young cattle also one horse two feather beds and their furniture

Item I give and bequeath to my son Lazarus Gulley to him and his heirs forever one shot gun one hundred acres of land lying on the east side of Burn Stocking joining Davis line two cows and calves and one acre and one grubbing bee.

Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth Gulley to her and her heirs forever one cow and calf and one feather bed and furniture.

Item I give and bequeath to my son Mead Gulley to him and his heirs forever one shot gun also one hundred acres of land lying on the south side of Little Creek joining Davis's line.

Item I give and bequeath to my son Jesse Gulley to him and his heirs forever one hundred acres of land joining the land before mentioned.

Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Sally Gulley to her and her heirs forever one feather bed and furniture.

Item My will and devise is that two cows and their yearlings be set out on Stock until there can be an equal division made of them between Mead, Jesse and Sally herebefore named.

and all that remain after paying my debts be equally  
divided between the heirs of my estate at the discretion of  
my executors hereafter named and do constitute and ordain  
Benjamin Heill and George Gully executors to this my last  
will and testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set  
my hand and seal this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of May 1803. Signed and  
and delivered in presence of

Read Gulley (seal)

John Gulley.  
Ann Gulley.

Johnston County May Term 1803  
Then was the above will exhibited for probate in open  
court which was duly proven and ordered to be recorded

R. Sanders C.J.C.

### Will of John Avera

In the first place I give my soul unto God and my body  
to clay also I give, gave and bequeath to my brother Thomas  
Avera one tract of land as I now live on also my riding horse  
Leave to my brother William Avera I leave unto him  
four breeding sows. I leave to him one feather bed and  
furniture. I leave one crop and books also I leave unto my  
brother Samuel Avera one black man called Stan all the  
rest of my estate I leave to be sold and equally to be  
divided amongst my brothers and sisters this is my last  
will and testament

John Avera (seal)

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Johnston County August Term 1803  
Then was the above will exhibited in open court which  
was duly proven and admitted to record.

R. Sanders C.J.C.