

Will of James Lynch.

In the name of God Amen. I James Lynch of the County of Johnston and province of North Carolina, have thought proper to make and ordain this as my last will and testament in manner and form as follows (to wit first)

Item I bequeath to my wife Elizabeth Lynch my dwelling plantation with the land belonging her natural life and after her decease then to my brother Cornelius Lynch.

Item I bequeath the remainder of my estate unto my wife Elizabeth Lynch during her natural life and after her decease one half of the estate to my wife Elizabeth ^{own} disposal and the other half to my brother Cornelius Lynch to be equally divided, by ^{my} executors between my wife Elizabeth Lynch and Cornelius Lynch and William Lynchs heirs John Lynch, Joshua Lynch and Bryan Lynch they all exepted and they be paid one shilling sterling apiece for my executors of this my last will and testament and I do hereby revoke and disannull and make void, all former wills heretofore made in witness whereof I have here unto set my hand, and seal this the 18th of March 1790. Entered be before assigned, signed, and sealed, in the presence of

Richard Whitley
James Holt

James Lynch (seal)

Will of Richard Pearce

In the name of God Amen. I Richard Pearce of Johnston County being of sound and perfect mind blessed be God, Twentieth day of November in the year of our Lord, one thousand, seven hundred, and ninety, do make and publish this my last will and testament in manner following that is to say.

Item I give to my ^{beloved} daughter Martha Nichols five shillings.

Item I give and bequeath to my beloved daughter Ann I five shillings only.

Item I give and bequeath to my beloved grandson Allen Ander Godwin five shillings only.

Item I give and bequeath to my beloved son Covert Pearce one hundred acres of land lying in Johnston County on the Skull Mader branch held by a grant No 594.

Item I give and bequeath to my beloved son Ephraim Pearce five shillings only.

Item I give ^{and bequeath} to my beloved son Richard Pearce five shillings only.

Item I give and bequeath to my beloved son John Pearce my set of blacksmith tools.

Item I give and bequeath to my beloved son Phillip Pearce my desk.

Item I give and bequeath to my beloved daughter Unity Pearce two hundred acres of land lying in Johnston County on the head of Mattons Branch held by a grant No 641; 1 bed furniture & bedstead and one hunting saddle, one black mare, two cows & calves two two year old heifers, one chest and spinning wheel and one trunk.

Item I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Sarah Pearce two thirds of my cattle, two thirds of my sheep that is not above mention and all my hogs and all of geese and two horses and two thirds of my household goods that is not above mentioned.

Also I lend to my beloved wife Sarah Pearce one hundred acres of land my houses now stands on and half the profit of my still, and half the profit of my orchard and three negroes, Dick, Abel and Cato during her natural life.

Item After the natural death of my beloved wife Sarah Pearce the above lent articles to her belongs to my beloved son Simon Pearce forever.

Item I give and bequeath to my beloved son Simon Pearce nine hundred ^{and fifty} ~~acres~~ ^{acres} of land the remaining part that is not mentioned above and the remaining part of my stock of all kind that is not above mentioned and the remaining part of my household goods that is not above mentioned. Half of the still and half the profit of my orchard and the remaining part of my estate that is not above mentioned to him forever.

And I do hereby constitute and appoint my beloved sons before mentioned, Everett Pearce and Simon Pearce my executors and I do hereby disannul all and all manner of forms of wills whatever and do acknowledge this only to be my last will and testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 20th day of November 1790.

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James Watkins
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Richard ^{his} Pearce (seal)
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