

Will of Benjamin Strickland

In the name of God Amen I Benjamin Strickland being in perfect health mind and memory blessed be God to make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner following (viz)

First- I give unto my beloved son Samuel Strickland ten shillings,
 Second- I give unto my beloved son William Strickland ten shillings,
 Third- I give unto my beloved daughter Phoebe Howell ten shillings,
 Fourth- I give unto my beloved daughter Dorcas Terring ten shillings
 Fifth- I give unto my beloved daughter Lotty Howell ten shillings
 Having heretofore given the said sons and daughters all that I intended giving them.

Sixth- I lend to my beloved wife Elizabeth Strickland during her natural life all my land and plantation wherein I now live and otherwise give away with all my household and kitchen furniture all my working tools of every description also all my horses cattle hogs and stock of every description which belongs to me can fodder and every other thing that belongs to me after paying all my just debts and demands And at the death of my said wife Elizabeth Strickland I give the whole of my property which I have lent to my said wife unto my beloved son Jeremiah Strickland & him and his heirs forever.

I appoint and ordain my said wife Elizabeth Strickland my executor of this my last will and testament in manner above written. In witness whereof I have herewith set my hand and seal this 21st day of April 1817.

Johnston County N. Carolina
 Signed in presence of
 Sam Strickland
 Daniel Boone

Benjamin Strickland (Seal)

State of North Carolina Johnston County February term 1817
 Then was the execution of this will duly proven in open court by the oaths of Sam Strickland and Daniel Boone and ordered to be recorded

R. Sanders C.S.

Will of Sanders Eason

In the name of God Amen I Sanders Eason of the County of Johnston and State of North Carolina, altho weak in body yet by the goodness of God of a sound mind and memory and proper disposal do constitute and ordain this to be my last will and testament and desire that it may be received by all as such

I lend to my beloved wife Fannie Eason two hundred and fifty acres of land wherein I now live together with all houses and out houses and the profits of the fruit-trees of every kind together with all the crop of corn and peart thereon enduring her natural life or widowhood also one feather bed and furniture enduring of her natural life also seventy dollars in money five cows and calves of her own choice ten head of sheep of her own choice and thirty head of hogs of her own choice also one wheel and cards one flat wheel and one cutting axe and one grubbing hoe six pewter plates one dish and one bacon also one boom and one tackle and one pot and one dutch oven and one sconel mare and one cart and one chest and all my cider cask also the land wherein I now live after her death I want it to be equally divided between my six daughters.

I now give to my son George Eason two hundred and forty four acres of land joining William Easons land.

Item I give to my son Sanders Eason one hundred and seventy acres of land with improvements thereon and the wheat excepted

Item I give to my daughter Elizabeth Eason one feather bed and furniture and one chest

Item I give to my daughter Mary Eason one feather bed and furniture and one chest

Item I give to my daughter Roanda Eason one feather bed and furniture and one chest

Item I now give to my daughter Locina Eason one feather bed and furniture and four dollars in money

Item I now give to my daughter Polly Eason twenty dollars in money

Item I now give to my daughter Frances Eason twenty dollars in money
Item I now give to my daughter Frances Eason six acres of land joining my own improvements.

Item My will and desire is that the residue of my property to be sold and equally divided between all my children male and female

Item I now give to my son Sanders Eason eight head of hogs
This I ordain to be my last will and testament I hereinafter appoint my wife Fanny Eason and Eliza Eason executors of my last will and testament in witness hereunto I set my hand and seal this 25th of November 1820

Witness
Jonathan Stansell
(Signature)

Sanders Eason (Signature)

State of North Carolina Johnston County February term 1821. Then was the execution of this will proven in open court by the oaths of Jonathan Stansell and Nathan Stansell and ordered to be recorded.

R. Sanders C.S.

Will of Henry Massingill.

In the name of God Amen, I Henry Massingill of the County of Johnston and State of North Carolina being in a low state of health but of sound and disposing mind and memory for which I am thankful to Almighty God but calling to mind the mortality of mankind & knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make this my last will and testament in manner and form following that is to say principally and first of all I recommend my soul to God who gave it and as touching my worldly estate with which it hath been pleased God to bless me with in this life I give and dispose of it in the following manner after my just debts and funeral charges be fully satisfied and paid.

I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Lucy one work creature one feather bed and furniture two cows and calves a sufficiency of the kitchen furniture for her use and farming tools sufficient for her use to her and her heirs forever. Further I bequeath unto my wife Lucy my houses and plantation containing one hundred and fifty acres during her life time.

I give and bequeath unto my son Bennett five pounds to him and his heirs.

I give and bequeath unto my daughter Naomi two pounds ten shillings to her and her heirs.

I give and bequeath unto my daughter Peggy two pounds and ten shillings to her and her heirs.

I give and bequeath unto my daughter Elizabeth Sanders two pounds and ten shillings to her and her heirs.

I give and bequeath unto my son Robert L. Massingill two pounds and ten shillings to him and his heirs.

I give and bequeath unto my daughter Polly two pounds ten shillings to her and her heirs.

I give and bequeath unto my son Needham one colt one cow and calf one feather bed and furniture one sow and pigs one ewe and lamb and two pounds ten shillings to him and his heirs.