

Will of Shadrick Gelvin

In the name of God Amen, I Shadrick Gelvin of Johnston County North Carolina being of sound and perfect mind and memory blessed be God do this the seventeenth day of January one thousand eight hundred and twenty two make and publish this my last will and testament in manner following that is to say.

I lend to my beloved wife Penelope Gelvin the whole of my property her natural lifetime or widowhood and I hereby make and ordain my beloved son Levi Gelvin executor of this my last will and testament and leave my executor to take care of my wife as long as she lives and to take care of all the property and to pay his self for all the trouble and expense that he is at in her lifetime with them out of my property and after my wife's death I leave all my property to be sold and equally divided amongst my children, Levi Gelvin Eli Gelvin Isa Gelvin and Smith Wilkison. In witness whereof I the said Shadrick Gelvin have to this my last will and testament set my hand and seal the day and year above writing.

Signed and acknowledged Shadrick Gelvin (Dea)
in the presence of
J. Barnes
G. Price
A. Whitley Jr

State of North Carolina } February Term 1824
Johnston County } Then was the execution
of this will duly proven in open court by the oaths
of Stephen Barnes and Breddham Whitley Jr and ordered
to be recorded.

W. Sanders Clk.

Will of Lewis Jackson

In the name of God Amen I Lewis Jackson of the County of Johnston and State of North Carolina being sick and weak in body but of sound mind and memory do this thirtieth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred make and publish this my last will and testament in manner and form as followeth

First I recommend and commit my soul to God who gave it and my body to the grave to be buried in a decent manner at the discretion of my executors hereafter named

Secondly I order that all my lawful debts and funeral charges be paid out of my goods and chattles.

Third I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Martha Jackson six head of cattle one sow with pigs four year old shoats three house pigs one feather bed and furniture one loom and gear on wooden wheel and cards to her and her heirs forever with all my crop of corn fodder peas potatoes & cotton.

And I further give to my beloved wife Martha Jackson during her natural life and no longer one table one chest one trunk wooden one ditto and one spinning fan and one skillet with all my pewter, crockery ware glass and tin ware with all my wooden vessels with what knives and forks I have

Item I also give to my beloved wife Martha Jackson during her natural life or widowhood and no longer the price or tract of land whereon I now live containing fifty acres at her decease or marriage it is my will and desire that my son James Jackson have the above named fifty acres of land to him and his heirs forever

Item I give and bequeath to my beloved son James Jackson at my decease fifty acres of land which I bought of David Lee adjoining the above named land to him and his heirs forever. The balance of my property to be sold and after my just debts paid the money the money thence arising if any to be equally divided between my wife Martha Jackson and my son James Jackson and my son Jordan Jackson. Lastly I do hereby will and appoint Lewis Herring executor to this my last will and testament. In witness whereof I the