

Will of Solomon Watson

In the name of God Amen I Solomon Watson of the State of North Carolina and Johnston County being very weak in body but in perfect mind and memory thanks be given unto God calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die I do make and ordain this my last will and testament that is to say principally and first of all I give and bequeath my soul into the hands of Almighty God who gave it and my body I command to the earth to be buried in decent Christian burial at the discretion of my executors nothing doubting but at the last day at the general resurrection I shall receive it again by the mighty power of God and as touching such worldly estate wherewith it has pleased God to bless me with in this life I give and devise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form.

First- I give and bequeath my beloved son Bridges one hundred acres of land up the swamp land I also give and bequeath my son Jacob one hundred and thirty acres of land after my wife's decease retaining the plantation wherein I now live I also give and bequeath to my son Solomon fifty pounds to be raised out of my estate after the decease of my wife I also lend and bequeath to my beloved wife all the remainder of my property as long as she lives and then to be equally divided amongst all my children I do also make and ordain my beloved wife and William Rivers my whole and sole executors to this my last will and testament and I do hereby utterly disallow revoke and disannull all my every other former testaments wills legacies bequests and executors by me in any wise before me made written and bequeathed ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last will and testament in writing I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the first day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and six signed sealed and pronounced and declared in the presence of us

Solomon Watson R.W.B.

Jonathan Evans
Isaac Watson

Johnston County November term 1806

Then was the above will exhibited in open court for probate which was duly proven and ordered to be recorded

R. Sanders C.R.C.

Will of Samuel Bryan

In the name of God Amen I Samuel Bryan of the County of Johnston in the State of North Carolina being of perfect mind and memory for which I am thankful to the Almighty Do make publick and declare this to be my last will and testament.

It is my will and desire that my executors herein after named pay all my just debts

After all payments is made of my debts in manner aforesaid I give and bequeath unto my brother Nathaniel Bryan of Wake County and State aforesaid all my estate both real & personal to him and his heirs and assigns forever and I do hereby appoint my friend Edwin Smith executor to this my last will and testament ratifying and confirming this and only this to be my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 28th day of December A.D. 1799. Signed sealed published and declared by the said Samuel Bryan to be his last will and testament in presence of us.

Samuel Bryan Esq. B.

R. Sanders.
E. Sanders.

Johnston County February term 1807

Then was the above will exhibited in open court for probate which was duly proven and ordered to be recorded

R. Sanders C.R.C.