

Will of John Spencer

In the name of God Amen I John Spencer of the County of Johnston and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory but weak in body and knowing I am to die do this day make and ordain this writing to be my last will and testament in manner and form following (to wit)

First I give and devise to my beloved and dear wife Polly Spencer the land and plantation whereon I now live containing three hundred and thirty acres during her natural life or as long as she livs my widow. Also I give and devise to my said wife four negroes, Jason, Henry, Buck and Homan during her lifetime or as long as she remains my widow my will and desire further that my said wife Polly have as much of my crop stock and provision on hand as will be sufficient to support her and the family for 1 year and further I give to my said wife a mare and colt during his lifetime or as long as she lives my widow also I give to my said wife two cows & yearlings and two heifers also three sows and pigs and eighteen dry hogs also three feather beds stoves and furniture with all the rest of my household and kitchen furniture also 1 plow hoe frame and get two weeding hoes and grubbing hoe 2 club axes six during her lifetime or as long as she lives my widow my will and desire is that my land lying on Buant Stocking containing a hundred and sixty six acres with my negro woman Tumpy and her four children Thinda, Fillis, Gilphia and Jerry with all the residue of my property be sold and my just debts paid and the residue I give to my children Tabot, Harriet, Sally and Ann and Gamis Rufus Spencer share & share my will and desire is that my negro Susan be sold the money to be divided among my children to them and their heirs forever. I leave my friend Levy Cox my sole to this my last will and testament and to the said John Spencer dooke all other wills by me made and do hereby ratify and confirm this writing to be my last will and testament In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 2 day Sept-1827

Signed in presence of us
 Wm Richardson
 Willy Jones

John Spencer

State of North Carolina } November Term 1827
 Johnston County Then was this will
 duly proven in open court and ordered to be proved
 W. Sanders Clk

Will of Thomas Johnson

In the name of God Amen I Thomas Johnson of the County of Johnston and State of North Carolina being weak of body but of sound and perfect mind and memory blessed be God do this 6th day of August-1827 make publick and declare this to be my last will and testament in form and manner following (to wit)

First I recommend my soul to God who gave it and my body to be buried in a christian manner at the discretion of executors hereafter to be appointed

Item I lend to my beloved wife Anne two hundred and fifty seven acres of land (it being a tract or parcel of land which I purchased of Isaac Williams) during her lifetime or widowhood. It is my will and desire that my executors shall carry into effect a contract heretofore made myself and Gerald Johnson respecting the claim said Gerald in the undivided lands of which Moses Johnson deceased did possess of and that executors pay the Gerald the sum of thirty dollars account of my estate and take a title of the said Gerald & in behalf & to the use of hers which is affected, it is my will that it be disposed of the same manner of the six hundred & fifty acres called the old tract whereon I now live which was left to my mother Lucy Johnson during her life

I lend to my beloved wife five hundred and ninety one acres of land including the plantation whereon I now live commonly called the old tract ~~inland~~ and reserving herein the lifetime estate of Lucy Johnson widow of Moses Johnson debt to her during her lifetime or widowhood. I lend to my wife Anne all my stock of cattle during her lifetime or widowhood. I lend to my wife Anne one negro boy named Young her lifetime or widowhood. I lend to my wife Anne 1 pair of cart wheels during her lifetime or widowhood. I lend to my wife Anne all my farming utensils during her lifetime or widowhood.

I lend to my wife all my household & kitchen furniture during her lifetime or widowhood. I lend to my wife two hundred dollars during her lifetime or widowhood.

I lend to my beloved wife one negro man by the name of Stephen during her lifetime or widowhood.

I lend to be sold at vendue one horse and saddle as gun I lend my wife Anne all provision now on hand during her lifetime or widowhood. I lend to my wife all the fowls of every kind and one womans saddle during her lifetime or widowhood.

I lend to my wife all my books during her lifetime or widowhood, it is my will that my executor collect the money that is due me and at the same to settle all my just debts.

I lend to my wife all my property not particular ennumerable above during her lifetime or widowhood. It is my will and desire should wife marry again that all the property lent her in the above be equally divided between my wife Anne and my three children namely Moses, A. Green and Edith to them and their heirs forever and in the event of her not marrying it is my will and desire that all the property lent her in the above items be after her death equally divided between my three children namely as the above to them and their heirs forever. It is my will and desire that my executor use these even to secure to Elijah Lasater quit possessor of fifty acres of land off the old undivided 650 acre tract whereon I now live and that it be of joining the lands of said Elijah Lasater it being the claim of Benjamin Johnston Jr. in the lands aforesaid which after taking off the 59 acres from the 650 will leave 591 which I have herein above lent my wife Anne and I constitute my wife and my friend Jesse Adams as executors of this my last will and testament. Signed, sealed and publish declared by the testator as his last will & testament.

Thomas Johnson (seal)
Bryant Adams
Joshua Johnson

Codicil

I find upon reflection that in consequence of a donation that I have made since making the above will that the sum of money bequeathed to my beloved wife Anne in the above will of two hundred dollars is more than my estate will at present justify me in giving. It is my will that the above sum be reduced to one hundred dollars.

June 28 1829 in presence of
Bryant Adams
Joshua Johnson

Thomas Johnson (seal)

To the worshipful the County Court of Johnston November Term 1829, these are to be certified that I declare qualifying as executor to last will & testament my deceased husband. November, 24 1829

State of North Carolina
Johnston County
November Term 1829
Anne Johnson
widow
court and adjd to be record

Will of John Bagby

In the name of God Amen I John Bagby of Johnston County State of North Carolina being in reasonably good health thank God for his mercy I am in perfect mind and memory and calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing it is once appointed for all men to die and I do therefore make ordain this my last will and testament that is to say first of all I give and recommend my soul to God that give it me and my body to the earth to receive it hath pleased God to bless me with which I give and dispose of the same in the following manner and form to wit

I give to my daughter Lempy Bagby twelve dollars
I give to my daughter Elizabeth Bagby one hundred acres of land whereon I now live including the houses I give her one negro boy by name Abram one bed and furniture one mare.
I give to my son Jesse Bagby all the balance of my land I give him one negro boy name Joseph, I give him one gun, I give him twenty five dollars, I give to Elizabeth Bagby twenty five dollars. I give to my daughter Nancy Weaver one negro woman by the name of Sally. I give to my daughter Licy Ansal one negro girl named Cottney. I give her twenty five dollars.
I give to my daughter Bonity Rains two negroes named Kate and Lanor I give her twenty five dollars. I give Mary Weaver twenty five dollars. I give to Levy Bagby one colt. All the balance of my property I leave to be sold in my stock of all kind household & kitchen furniture money & notes which I have not given away all the balance to be equally divided among all my children. I also consider and appoint my son Jesse Bagby executor of my last will and testament. Revoking and disallowing all other wills ratifying and confirming this and none other to be my last will and testament in confirmation hereof I have hereunto set my hand and assigned my seal the day and year above written assigned

John Bagby (seal)
Elizabeth Bagby
Henry Ware

State of N. Carolina
Johnston Co
August Term 1829
Then was this will duly proven in open court and adjd to be record