

Thomas Williams Will

In the Name of God Amen - I Thomas Williams of Johnston County and St Stephens parish and province on North Carolina plant being very sick and weak in body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be to god for it. Therefore calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men to die do make and ordain this my last will and testament - that is to say personally and first of all I give and recommend my soul to god that gave it and my body to the earth to be buried in a Christian like manner and form at the discretion of my Executors nothing doubting but 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 devise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form

- First I give unto Elizabeth my well beloved wife all and singular my moveable estate after my debts being paid fully one negro executed named Joe
- Item I give to well beloved son John Williams my Manor plantation together with a bed and furniture after the decease of his mother
- Item I give to my daughter Sarah Williams one young mare and a Negro named George but appoint my well beloved wife Elizabeth my sole Executor of this my last will and testament in witness I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year above written

Thos Williams (Seal)
 I give my well beloved daughter Elizabeth Bohanan one mare

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Robert Bryants Will

In the Name of God Amen - Being sick and weak in body and owing to mind that I must one day or other depart this life as all man kind are mortals to do hereby devise my body to be decently interred into the earth at the discretion of my Executors herein named First of all I give and bequeath to my loving son Lewis Bryant my plantation on the north side of Buffaloe which I purchased of John Braswell and all the stock I have on to him and his heirs forever

I also give and bequeath to my daughter Soobe Bryant my plantation on the north side of Buffaloe which I purchased of Ned Poor and all the stock thereon to her and her heirs forever

I also give my manner plantation to be equally divided between my two daughters Elizabeth Bryant and Mary Bryant to them and their heirs forever

I also give and bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth Bryant my negro fellow named Harry to her and her heirs forever I also give to my daughter Mary my negro fellow named Pompey to her and her heirs forever only reserving the use and labor of the negroes for my loving wife during her natural life

I give the use of my manner plantation and fifty head of Cattle to my loving wife during her widowhood use

Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Opey Bryant my stock of Cattle at Hummy Ato and one feather bed and furniture to her and her heirs forever

Item I also give and bequeath to my daughter Charity Bryant all my stock of Cattle at John Calles to her and her heirs forever

Item I give and bequeath to my Brother Charles Bryant all of my stock of Cattle at Duck Edwards I also give to each of my children one down coat apiece. My will and desire is that all of my other estate of what soever kind shall be sold for money and my just debts paid out of it and the remainder to be equally divided between and amongst my children and loving wife I also do nominate William Hinon Charles Bryant and my loving wife to be my true and lawful Executors reversing all former wills heretofore made. In witness whereof I have set my hand and seal this the 7th day of December 1760 - signed sealed published in the presence of us
 Peter Bryant
 Elizabeth Page
 Alley Bryant
 Robert Bryant (Seal)
 Just Robert Rains Cl