

Will of Willis Jones

State of North Carolina Johnston County in the name of God Amen I Willis Jones not being in perfect health but sound in mind and memory 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 first of all I give my soul into the hands of God who gave it and my body to be buried in a decent manner at the discretion of my executors and as touching my worldly estate wherein God hath blessed me with in this life I give and devise and dispose of in manner and form as follows.

First of all I lend to my beloved wife Winnie Jones two negroes one by the name of Ned and one by the name of Nance and three hundred acres of land and plantation where I now live and one horse by name of Dogon one mare by the name of Pigeon and all my household furniture and all the balance of my stock of cattle hogs and sheep except two cows and lambs her natural lifetime or widowhood then the land I give to my son Barnaba and all the rest of the property that I lend to my wife to be sold and equally divided between Dorcas, Bryan, Edith Charlotte, Filda and Barnaba.

Item I give to my daughter Pussey one negro man by name of Peter the eight of bought of Eddin Ponson two ewe lambs, one feather bed and furniture and one mare that he has now in possession.

Item I give to my daughter Dorcas one feather bed and furniture I leave all my lands lying in Wayne County to be sold five hundred and fifty dollars to my son Bryan ten dollars out of my estate to be equally divided between my son Henry and my daughter Mary and Charity and my son Nathaniel and my grandchild Alfred Jones and the balance of any money after paying all my debts to be equally divided between my daughter Dorcas and my son Bryan and my daughters Edith, Filda and Charity and my son Barnaba.

Item I also make and ordain my friend Ezekiel Stellings and Nezaya Cocks to be my only and sole executors of this my last will and testament and I do utterly disallow all and every other will and testament and legacies by me bequeathed ratified and confirmed this and no other to be my last will and testament in witness hereof I have here-

unto set my hand and seal this the 30th day of April
1818.
Left }
Wm. O'Neal }
Marty ^{make} O'Neal) State of North Carolina

Johnston County August term 1818
Then was the execution of this will exhibited in open court
by the oaths of Wm. O'Neal and Marty O'Neal and ordered to
be recorded

R. Sanders C. S.