

Will of William Bryant

July 26 1789.

In the name of God Amen I William Bryant of Johnston County in the State of North Carolina, being very sick and weak but of perfect mind, and memory thanks be to God, and calling to mind the mortality of my body knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this to be my last will and testament and first of all I give my soul into the hands of Almighty God, who gave it me and my body to the earth to be buried in a decent manner the direction of my executor hereafter to be named, and as touching such worldly estate, as it hath pleased God, to bless me with, I give and dispose in manner as follows.

Item

I give to my beloved son Samuel Bryant one shilling

Item

I give to my beloved daughter Elizabeth Wade one shilling

Item

I give to my beloved son John Bryant five shillings

Item

I give to my beloved daughter Lucy Bryant one iron pot and one cow and calf.

Item

I give to my beloved daughter Ann Foyner one shilling

Item

I give to my beloved daughter Lucimah Lewis one shilling

Item

I give to my beloved daughter Lida Bryant one feather bed, and three head of cattle one cow and two yearlings

Item

I give to my daughter Beady Bryant one shilling

Item

I give to my son Lewis Bryant the land, and plantation whereon I now live and one bay filly.

Item

I give to my daughter Silvia Bryant one shilling

I likewise give all the remainder part of my estate after the expenses are paid to be equally divided between my daughter Lydia, and my son Lewis Bryant.

Revolving all others Will by me made I do appoint John Stancill to be my executor of this my last will and testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this day and year above written signed sealed, pronounced, and delivered in the presence of

John Stancill
Henry Barlow
John Stancill

William Bryant (seal)

Johnston County August Term 1789

This will was exhibited in open Court by John Stancill for probate and was duly proved by the oath of Johnathan Stancill a subscribing witness therunto admitted to record.

R. Sanders C. C.