

Ann Watkins "Will"

10th Day of May 1802 Aaron Spriggs Needham Godwin Came before me Circuit Court Justice for Johnston County and made oath that of the 4th of May 1803 Ann Watkins of Johnston County, called on them to be witnesses how she would give the free part of her estate

Aaron Spriggs and Needham Godwin did say before me as follows that Ann Watkins gave to her two daughters Peggy Watkins and Anna Watkins ten horse named Bucks one cow and calf to each of them two heads of sheep to each of them and half his crops to them for ever she lent her house hold furniture to them as long as they live single and she lent her land and plantation to them both as long as they both are single

she gave to her son Allen Watkins his bed and furniture

she gave to her son Willie Watkins, Allen Watkins and Anna Watkins all the remaining part of her estate to be divided between them

she gave her share to James Watkins son of Allen Watkins

known to before me Circuit Court

Recorded in Book No 4 Page 185
P. G. Ambrose Clerk

Jacob Watsons "Will"

I name of God Amen - I Jacob Watson of Johnston County being in proper sense possessed to get to make this my last will and testament as follows
I give to my son Jekie my Smith tools and rifle gun and seven head of hogs - I give to my son Solomon my cows and other gear - I give to my daughter Ann my horse and four heads of cattle - I give to my son Simon three head of cattle and three head of sheep - I give to my daughter Lett Sarahs four head of sheep - I give to my daughter Mary four head of cattle and the rest and residue of my goods and chattels and personal estate after the payment of my debts legacies and funeral expenses and unto my wife Elizabeth whom I make sole executrix of this my last will and testament - I give devise and bequeath to her and her heirs all and every my messuages whosoever and wheresoever which I also charge with payment of my said legacies In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the 18th Day of April in the year of our Lord 1773. Signed subscribed and delivered by the above named Jacob Watson for and as his last will and testament in the presence of us

James Watkins
John Grant

David Watson
Jesse Watson

Jacob Watson (Seal)

Perry Wall Will

In the name of God Amen - I Perry Wall of Johnston County being of sound and perfect mind and memory blessed be God so this the 8th Day of July in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and thirty six make and publish this my last will and testament in manner following that is to say first I give and bequeath unto my wife Abie Wall one horse brood able to work cow and calf two beds and furniture one cow and pigs one year and lamb one table and one chest one wheel and another turning wheel one pot and spitor one skillet and 7 chairs one case of mess & pot one spoon and half of the yearners ware longing to me one tin and pail and one piggin his life time or widowhood soon as she marries the property to be sold and be divided among the children the use of my body my son John R Wall I give and bequeath him one cow and be to be his wife my second love then sold and told first to his part as for as it goes sell the rest and pay the debts and then divide the rest of the money to be worn my children I hereby make and ordain my worthy friend Jesse Wall senior and Wm Orley Linton Executors of this my last will and testament I witness whereof I the said Perry Wall have to this my last will and testament set my hand and seal the day and year before written

Perry Wall (Seal)
Signed, sealed & published and delivered by the said Perry Wall the testator his last will and testament in the presence of us who were present at the time of signing and sealing thereof

Marshall Murphy

Recorded in Book No 7 Page 128 P. G. Ambrose Clerk

North Carolina } William Thompson "Will"
Johnston County }

In the name of God Amen

I William Thompson Sr of the County an province aforesaid being weak in body but in perfect mind and memory so I shew it is appointed for all men once to die and afterwards to come to judgment so first and principally recommend my soul into the hands of almighty God who first gave me being into the world and my body to be buried at the direction of my executors hereinafter named I leave land and bequeath to my well beloved wife Sarah Thompson the plantation whereon I dwell situated on horse creek and also all the use of my stock consisting of horses, mares, cattle and hogs except of two cows and Celia and also to my well beloved daughter Sally Thompson and also the same Rachel Celia to my daughter Wally Thompson and also all my house hold furniture whatever excepting one feather bed and furniture to Sally Thompson and also one other bed and furniture to Mollie Thompson to be paid out of my estate at the respective days of marriage of each of my daughters or at the arrival of eighteen years or both or either of them

I give and bequeath to my well beloved son John Thompson four shillings

I give and bequeath to Silas Mond for the use of my daughter Betty Mond five shillings
"over"

- Item I give and bequeath to Edward Green for the use of my daughter Jane Green the sum of five shillings
- Item I give and bequeath to my beloved son William Thompson the sum of five shillings
- Item I give and bequeath to my well beloved daughter Sally Thompson two cows and calves and one feather bed and furniture
- Item I give and bequeath to my well beloved daughter Mary Thompson two cows and calves and one feather bed and furniture
- Item I give and bequeath to my well and beloved son Elijah Thompson all my lot in Horse Creek all my stock of horses mares bolls & hogs after the death of my wife after the legacies so afore mentioned is paid out of my estate providing that my son Elijah Thompson shall maintain & keep my son John in sufficient wholesome diet washing & lodging
- I give and bequeath to my well beloved son Isham Thompson the sum of five shillings and I also appoint my well beloved wife Sarah Thompson and my well beloved son Elijah Thompson to be whole & sole executors of this my last will and testament in witnesses whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 22nd day of June in the year of our Lord 1769.

Signed, sealed, published and pronounced in

Presence of Ben Hardy
Isaac Bledson
Henry Kemp

William Thompson Seal

To Carolina Johnston County

May Term 1769 - This was the execution of this will proven in open Court in due form of law by Isaac Bledson one of the subscribing witnesses Recorded in the Clerk's Office of said County in Book "B" two hundred & 40

John Finer's Will

In the Name of God Amen - I John Finer being weak in body but of perfect mind and memory and being willing to dispose of my worldly goods do make and ordain this to be my last will and testament viz -

I give and bequeath and devise unto my beloved son Jesse Finer and his heirs forever the tract of land whereon I now live together with all and singular my other tract of land my other tract of land - I also give and bequeath to my beloved son Jesse Finer all and singular my personal estate & the articles hereafter to be mentioned

Item I give and bequeath unto Willie Hard the following articles viz four Pe plates, six spoons two small Pewter Dishes One small Pewter Dish One Silver Wheel also my wearing gear all my bowls and hogs one half of all the sheep on Hilton and Flax. All the Oxen Cattle, Hens and Pigeons One mitting goat One cow and heifer yearling One bad all the Geese, One sow and hogs One old horse four Aps and Oream for One Churn Bricks.

I give and bequeath to my beloved son John Finer One hand Span

Miller Sells - Witness my hand and seal this the 15th day of November in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and eighty

Apred sealed and delivered in the presence of us

Ben Williams Junr
Katherine Ballord
Barbara Thompson

Johnston County November Term 1780

Then was the within proven in open Court by the oath of Benjamin Williams a subscribing witness and ordered to be Registered

Wm Ward Clerk

January 9th 1781 Shew was this will Registered in the Registers Office of Johnston County in Book L Page

John Smith Regt

Joseph Thomas' Will

In the Name of God Amen - I Joseph Thomas being very weak and in a low lingering condition but thanks be to God of good and perfect memory do bequeath my soul to Almighty God that governs me and my body to be buried after the discretion of my executors and after my funeral expenses discharged and debts being paid I bequeath my estate as follows

Item I lend unto my loving wife Ann the use of my plantation whereon I now live during of fifteen years also the use of my negro boy Sam also the use of one negro woman if purchased during fifteen years

Item I leave my above plantation after the time of fifteen years to my executors to sell for ready money or a slave and the said money or slave if purchased to be equally divided between my two children Mary and Temperance

Item I give my negro boy Sam after the time of fifteen years expires my will and desire is for him to be equally divided between my two children and for that money that Thomas Ambler one when becomes due my desire is that my Ex^r do receive and purchase a young breeding negro steers and if any money left to be put to use & the negro is purchased - I do lend my loving wife Ann all the fifteen years is expired to be equally divided between my two children - I for all my hogs or soon as fit for market my desire is that my Ex^r do dispose of the best advantage for ready money and the money put to use for my children by my Ex^r

Item I give and bequeath my loving wife Ann four breeding cows and all my cattle and also my mare and saddle also two feather beds and furniture and all the remainder part of my house hold goods my will and desire is that my children be put to school two years and the schooling be paid out of my estate - I do appoint James Worley and Elijah Thomas executors and sole executors of this my last will and testament as witness my hand and seal this 2nd day of June 1760

Witness William Wall
Joseph Bennett
John Worley

Joseph Thomas Seal