

Will of Bannister Harpe.

I Bannister Harpe of the County of Johnston and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory and considering the uncertainty of this frail and transitory life do therefore make ordain publish and declare this to be my last will & testament that is to say first after my lawful debts are paid, and discharged I give unto Sarah Frances my granddaughter three head of hogs of her choice.

Secondly I give to my three daughters to wit Smilcutt Parrish, Harriet Pollard & Leacy Harpe a certain tract of land lying and being in the County of Johnston and State of North Carolina on the east side of Holcat to be equally divided between my three daughters and I give to my daughter Leacy one feather bed bedstead and furniture one cow of her choice and I give and bequeath unto my son Nelson one shot gun and also two head of hogs.

And I also give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Patsy one black mare and one cow and calf and also one bed bedstead and furniture and also all notes that I hold. I give and bequeath to her and also all the rest and residue of my estate to have and to hold her lifetime or widowhood and after her death all of my estate in her hand at her decease. I give and bequeath unto my son Nelson & Leacy to be equally divided between them if any shall be found. Likewise I make constitute and appoint my son Bartlett Harpe & C. J. Bingham to be executor of this my last will & testament revoking all former wills by me made. In witness whereof I have presents subscribed my name and affixed my seal this the eleventh day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-

North Carolina

Johnston Co. Court of Pleas & Quarter Session August Term 1860. This paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Bannister Harpe deceased is exhibited for probate in open court and the due execution thereof by the said Bannister Harpe is proved by the oath and examination of Britton Barber & Burrell Barber the subscribing witnesses thereto. It is therefore considered by the court that the said paper writing & every part thereof is the last will & testament of the said Bannister Harpe and the same is ordered to be recorded and filed.

Wm Thomas D. Ineaid C.C.C.

Will of Zilpha B. McKinnie

In the name of God Amen. I Zilpha B. McKinnie of the County of Johnston and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory do ordain publish and declare this to be my last will and testament.

Item 1st I give devise and bequeath unto my beloved daughter Madhina R. McKinnie all my worldly estate real personal and mixed whether in possession or to be hereafter acquired and attained in any way whatsoever either by purchase descent distribution or gift to have and to hold the same unto her the said Madhina R. McKinnie during her natural life and no longer.

Item 2nd I give and bequeath and devise all my said estate after the death of the said Madhina R. McKinnie unto my two granddaughters Mary N. Williamson & Sarah E. Williamson to them their heirs executors administrators and assigns forever but my will and devise is further that if either of the said Mary N. or Sarah E. Williamson should die without leaving child or children or the issue of any such living at her death in that case the share of the one dying shall go to the survivor of them in fee simple forever but further my will is that in case the said survivor shall also die without leaving child or children or the issue of such living at her death then.

Item 3rd My will and desire is and I do hereby direct that my executor herein after named shall convert all my estate by sale into money and after defraying thereout the expenses and charges of the administrations of this my will pay over the residue thereof unto such agent or officer as the North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church South may appoint to receive the same.

Item 4th My will and desire is and I do hereby bequeath the said residue of the moneys so arising from the sale of my said estate on the contingencies of the death of the survivor of my said two granddaughters without leaving issue as aforesaid unto the North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church South to be held by the said conference forever in trust that the annual interest thereof shall be appropriated by the said Conference to the support and relief of the superannuated

and acknowledged by him to each of us being the same time published & declared to above witnesses so subscribed to be his last will and testament and so at the testator's request and in his presence we signed our names as witnesses last written & signed by the said Bannister Harpe in our presence

Britton Barber
Burrell Barber

Item 5- Preachers under the care and charge of the said Conference
I do hereby constitute and appoint John B. Beckwith and
Ashley Sanders my executors to this my last will and testa-
ment.

Executed published and declared as my last will
and testament on the 27th day of August 1857.

In the presence of

H. W. Husted

Walter R. Moore

J. B. McKinney (seal)

State of North Carolina

Johnston County

Court of Pleas & Justice

Session August Term 1860. This paper writing purporting to
be the last will and testament of Gilpha B. McKinney deceased
is exhibited for probate in open Court by John B. Beckwith
& Ashley Sanders the executors therein named and the due
execution thereof by the said Gilpha B. McKinney is proven by
the oaths of H. W. Husted and Walter R. Moore the subscribing
witnesses thereto. It is therefore considered by the court that
the said paper writing and every part and part thereof
is the last will and testament of the said Gilpha B.
McKinney and the same is ordered to be recorded and filed.
And thereupon the said John B. Beckwith and Ashley Sanders
executors as aforesaid duly qualified as such by taking
the oath required by law.

W. T. Thomas D. Smead C. C. C.

In the Name of God Amen. I Edward Powers of Johnston County
County sick and weak in body but of perfect mind and memory
blessed be god for it, First I give my soul to god that god
hoping through the merits of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ
to be with him in his heavenly Kingdom. Secondly I depose my
Body to be decently buried my debts and my General Charges paid
and discharged. Then I give to my Grand daughter Sarah Hygdon after
the death of her Grand mother my dwelling plantation whereon I now
live with all the land and appurtenances to the same belonging
together with three Cows and a heifer marked with a red
sloop under each ear to go with three in black and one grey mare branded
with "A" Commonly known by the name of Sarah Hygdon mare and one brd
and furniture the movables to be delivered to her at the day of marriage
or at her full age. Then I lend to my daughter Sarah Hygdon
during her life time one bay natural poney mare with a colt by
her foal and a bay trotting mare with a colt by her side and
one bay horse about 3 years old out and down all branded
thus together with a good decent side saddle and
give and bequeath her forty shillings Virginia money
Then I give and bequeath to my wife Correns my well
beloved wife all the rest of my movables estate both
personal with a peaceable possession of the plantation
whereon she now lives. During her life time and she
my wife I appoint her to be the sole and sole Executor
of this my last will and testament Given under my
hand and seal this 5th day July Anno Domini 1749
Signed sealed and delivered Edward Powers (seal)
in the presence of his
Cousin Keith

Joⁿ ^{his} _{son} Manuel

North Carolina } Jan^y Court 1760

Johnston County } Present His Maj^{ty} Justice

There was the within will proved in open Court by
the oath of John Manuel a subscribing evidence
and admitted to record at the same time many his
evident qualified Executors Test

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