

(259) In the name of God, Amen —

Edward Whitty of Jones County, State of North Carolina being in perfect health prais'd be God, calling to mind the mortality of my Body & knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make & ordain this to be my last Will & Testament in the following manner & form, viz.

First — It is my desire that all my just debts & other necessary expenses be satisfied and paid —

Item — I lend unto my beloved Wife Dorothy Whitty during her natural life the whole of my property both real & personal, I also give her full power & authority to dispose of the same, as she shall think proper for her own use & benefit, but so as not to injure <sup>one</sup> of my Children more than another —

Item — I give & bequeath ~~the same~~ unto my beloved Daughter Anna Whitty now Anna Hand one Shilling Sterling, I having advanced herin less ready, to her, her Husb & Hsgns for use —

Item — I give & bequeath unto my eldest Son Charles Whitty the lands I purchased of John Grannard deceased, also one Cow & Calf, likewise the History of Ireland in four Volumes, also one young Horse or Mare to him, his Heirs or Assigns for ever —

Item — I give & bequeath unto my Son Lewis Whitty the lands I purchased from Thomas Cubanek, the Deed whereof in the name of the Esq, Com Co & Calf, one feather Bed & furniture, one young Horse or Mare, & one third part of all the Books remaining after what is already bequeathed, nor hereafter bequeathed in this Will, to him, his Heirs or Assigns for use —

Item — I give & bequeath unto my Son Joseph Whitty the lands call'd Clay Hill containing one hundred Acres there by a patent now in the Survey, also a Tenant now in the House for fifty Acres of Land living on the south side of Mill Creek, also one Cow & Calf, also one feather Bed & furniture, the best Horse or Mare that remains upon the plantation after the decease of my beloved Wife aforesaid, also the whole of the Stock of Sheep that are to be sown at the decease of my Wife aforesaid, also all my Magazines & any other Books or Books that are call'd his, also one Table the largest now in the House & one Case Bottles —

Item — I give & bequeath unto my Daughter Sally Whitty the lands wherein Esther Ramsey now lives, also any Tenant in my name adjoining the aforesaid lands wherein said Esther Ramsey now lives, also two feather Beds & furniture, also a Cow, Calf & foal, also the Books that have been call'd hers, also one third of all my Books not already bequeathed, also one Cabinet, one round Tea Table & three Chairs the best in the house, also the largest looking Glass in the house, one Tin Tea Canteen, one large Iron Kettle, one Tea Kettle, one Chest now call'd hers, a Lemon & a woolen Thread, to her the said Sally Whitty, her Heirs & Assigns for use —

The residue or remaining part of my Property both Real & Personal whatever cost & where sent after the decease of my beloved Wife aforesaid, I leave to be equally divided among my surviving Children, if any of my aforesaid

surviving Children die in their marriage, I desire that the property of them 200<sup>00</sup> shall be equally divided among the rest of my aforesaid Children —

And I do hereby nominate, constitute & appoint my beloved Wife aforesaid sole Executrix of this my last Will & Testament, & revoking all other former Wills or Wills, Legacies, Bequests & Executors by me before made or given, do ratify & confirm this to be my last Will & Testament —

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 22.  
day of January 1801 —

Signed, sealed & delivered in presence  
of us — Test — Enock Troy — J<sup>t</sup>  
Stephen Williams  
of a<sup>t</sup> Troy, Seal —

State of N<sup>o</sup>. Carolina,

Jones County Court, February Term 1802 —  
That was the aforesaid last Will & Testament of Edw<sup>r</sup> Whitty deceased produced duly proved in open Court by the Oath of Enock Troy one of the subscribing Witnesses thereto agreeable to law & ordered to be recorded — At same time Mrs Dorothy Whitty the Executrix herein named qualified as such agreeable to law — Ordered that Letters Testamentary issued accordingly

A true Copy test — Wm — D<sup>r</sup> — Dame 66

In the name of God, Amen —

I Abraham Dudley, son<sup>r</sup> of Jones County am well in health & of sound mind and memory thanks be to God for the same, but being mindful of mortality and the ease of my family, I make this my last Will & Testament revoking all other Wills will'd by me before — first of all I recommend my Soul to God that gave it, thanks be to God for the same, my body to be decently buried at the discretion of my Wife & Executrix, & as for such worldly Goods as God hath bin pleased to bless me with, I dispose of the same as follows; first of all I desire that all my just Debts should be paid —

Also I lend to my well beloved Wife Ruth Dudley during her natural life Eastern part of my plantation from the fence that goes down through the plantation, before Hood & Paul Timber of my other land, & three Negroes named Dick, Chloe & Esther, and at the Death of my Wife, for the Negroes to be equally divided between my three Daughters Clary, Betsy & Ruth Dudley, to them, and their Heirs & Assigns for use —

Also I give and bequeath to my well beloved Son Abraham Dudley my upper plantation & all my land I own adjoining that plantation 8 Lands, and my pine Lands I own on Hunter's Creek, & one half of my salt Marsh Islands, & four Negroes call'd Frank, Peter, Sam & Jenny, & one Horse call'd Nelson, & one feather Bed & furniture, & one Ark of Boxwood call'd Aunt & Lucy, one young Steer three years old, & all the cattle as is call'd his