

The Name of God Amen. -

I Jacob Johnson (of some beauty) being weak in Body though of perfect mind and memory and calling to mind the mortality of man do constitute and make this my last Will & Testament revoking all others heretofore made -

First of all I recommend my Soul to God who gave it and my Body to the earth from whence it came to be Buried in a Christian like manner at the direction of my wife and exhorting and exhorting the worldly goods that it has pleased God to bless me with I do dispose of them in the following manner (Viz) -

I then - I give up to my beloved wife Barbara all the Negroes Slaves of my house and lands & the rest of the lands for the year & house hold & kitchen furniture in that my article she bought me at her Marriage - I leave to my beloved wife one Negro man named Sam to be for her proper use during her Natural life & no longer -

I give to my beloved wife one hundred Dollars for the purpose of having her Name repaired that she may live Comfortably. I also give her two Cows & Calves & two two year old Hogs & all the rest - I then I leave to my daughter Polly Venville in trust to & with my Executors the land & plantation & Daughter Lucy Johnson (whom she now lives) also one Negro boy named Ezekiel now in her possession also one Cart & yoke of Oxen & all the tools & household & kitchen furniture now in her possession to be for her proper use and bought in trust by & with my Executors for & during her Natural life - I give to my said daughter Polly the sum of Ten Pounds -

I then, my Will is after the Death of my said Daughter Polly all the offhand land Negroes & my other article left to my said Daughter offhand shall be sold at publick Auction & the amount of the Sale Equally divided among The

Lawfull Heirs (of her my said daughter Polly) - (32)
I then, I give to my Daughter Lucy Williams one Negro boy named Henry to her & her heirs for ever -
I then, I give to my son Lucy Johnson fifty pounds to be paid him of some of the money can be collected from the Sale of my Estate - I then, I give unto my son Nathan Johnson the Land & plantation whom I now live also all my Land or Rattlehatch Swamp. (except this already disposed off to my Daughter Venville & mine) to him & his heirs for ever -
I then I give to Samuel Fields, Gadler to him and his heirs for ever -

I then my Will is that all my property not hereby bequeathed (or given into the possession of my Children at and from they married) shall be sold at publick Sale (at the direction of my Executors) & out of the money arising therefrom all my just debts must be paid & the residue of said Sales together with all debts due me shall be equally divided between my following named Children - Randal Johnson, Amos Johnson, Maureen Doty, & Lucy Williams to them & their heirs for ever -

I then, I leave my loving son Randal Johnson & my son in Law Samuel Doty my Executors & they they my last Will & Testament -

In Witness whereof I have set my hand & seal the fourteenth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and Eight -

Signed sealed & acknowledged
in presence of us -

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John Garrison

Andrew G. Cox

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Jacob Johnson

For as much as it hath pleased God to Remove my son Nathan Johnson out of time I Revoke that part of my Will which bequeathed the Land I live on to him & his heirs Nathan & direct that said Land may be disposed off at the direction of my Executors & an equal division of the amount among my heirs - And I do hereby Revoke

Will my Wife in law to my son Mathew Estate both
 what he gets by his wife & what I give him of and deliver
 to him to his D. Mathew Widow Ann Johnston & to her
 living for ever. - I Witness whereof I have acknowledged in
 presence of us his 18th April 1808
 James Shaw Andrew & Co
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State of N. Carolina
 Jones County Court May Term 1808-
 Then was the within & foregoing Will of Jacob Johnston
 Esq. duly proved in open Court by the Subscribing
 Witnesses & the necessary part by James Shaw & Andrew
 Co. & ordered to be recorded. - Witness
 My hand & Seal
 A true Copy from the Original
 Filed in this Office
 Attest My hand & Seal

State of N. Carolina
 Jones County
 Personally appeared Liza & Meadley & made oath as following
 That Violator Meadley called on him October 27th to witness his last
 Will & she gave him property as follows first she gave her Haws &
 Cattle barn Sheds & household furniture plantation tools one small Buck
 with all the rest of her property & finally partly James Reuben &
 James her five children that then lived with her to be and support
 of as her daughter Emily thinks proper for the use and support of
 herself & the rest of the children above mentioned -
 James My D. October 27th 1807
 Liza & Meadley
 mark

State of N. Carolina
 Jones County Court November Term 1807
 Then was the above and acknowledged in open Court and
 ordered to be recorded. -
 Attest My hand & Seal
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In the name of God Amen

I Edward Starkey of Onslow County but at
 this time in Jones County in North Carolina being sensible of the cer-
 tainty of Death & the uncertainty of the time & manner of it & in order
 to prevent disputes that might arise with regard to the distribution
 of the small property the most merciful God has been pleased to bestow
 upon me do make this my last Will & Testament.
 Now After all my just & Lawfull debts being first paid I give & bequeath
 as follows
 Item I give & bequeath unto Catharine Starkey daughter of John Starkey
 Esquire of Newbern one full lot of ground in the Town of Newbern
 joining Edward Graham's equine with the improvements thereon to her
 and her heirs & assigns for ever.
 Item I give & bequeath unto my aunt Elizabeth Anglin one Negro
 Woman named Philina & her Child named Major to her & her
 heirs & assigns for ever.
 Item I give & bequeath unto Peggy Bray daughter of Nicholas A.
 Bray two Negro Women named Grace & Nell to her & her
 heirs & assigns for ever.
 Item I give & bequeath unto Edward Starkey Esquire son of John
 Starkey deceased two plantations situated in Onslow County known
 as by the Great quarter and handle fields with all the lands
 appertaining unto them together with all the Negroes belonging
 to said two plantations & they are at this time as also all the
 live stock of every description plantation tools of every kind to
 him & his heirs & assigns for ever.
 Item I give & bequeath unto William Starkey Esq. son of Joseph Starkey
 Esquire two Negro fellows one named & known by old Abram
 the other by Blacksmith Abram. to him & his heirs and assigns
 for ever.
 Item I give & bequeath unto my good friend Joseph Will equine
 my horse surcows, Bridle & Saddle to him & his heirs and
 assigns for ever.
 Item I give & bequeath unto my good friend William Fenn Esq.
 my schooner Bepel named Catharine with all her appurtenances
 belonging or anywise appertaining to him his heirs and assigns
 for ever. -
 Item I give & bequeath unto my aunt Alice Starkey widow of
 my late uncle John, twenty dollars for the express purpose
 of being equally divided between her & her Children, share and
 share alike to them & their heirs forever. -
 Item I give & bequeath unto Edward Starkey young son of W. Starkey
 Esquire of Onslow County two plantations in Onslow County one
 known by my hammock plantation in deeping Wells place &
 all my lands adjoining, and my appurtenances
 and my Negroes living on said lands to him and his heirs forever.
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