

In the Name of God Amen.

I James M'Daniel of the County of Sora and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory blessed be God for the same, considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence do make and declare this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following viz. First of all I recommend my soul to Almighty God that gave it me and my body to the Earth from whence it came to be buried in a decent and Christian like manner suitable to the condition of my relations and friends at the discretion of my Executors or Executrix herein after named, who shall pay all funeral expenses together with my just debts hereover and to whomsoever owing out of the monies that may first come into their hands as a part and parcel of my Estate. And as for such worldly goods as it has pleased God to bless me with I dispose of them in manner and form following viz.

Item 1st I give and bequeath unto my daughter Alice Dillahunt wife of John A Dillahunt two Miles or Hours of my Stock as may be set apart for her by my Executors or Executrix herein after named to her and her heirs and assigns forever.

Item 2nd I give and bequeath unto my son Starkey M'Daniel a certain parcel of land wherein he now lives called the Sommons place Beginning on Crooked Run at the head of New Ground ditch and running up said ditch to the mouth of the ditch in the middle of the fresh ground Cotton Patch ditch, then up said ditch to the woods, thence a direct line to the Centre of the Water Oak flat, then a straight line going to the Peacock bridge, to which it crosses the Avenue as it runs thence with the Avenue to the Main Road leading from Peacock to Front Bridge, then down said road to my own and Wilsons line, thence with my own and said Wilsons line to where it crosses Little Peacock Run at the bridge, then with my own and said Wilsons line to the Wilson patent line, then with the Anterior Branch Canal whenever it runs through the Peacock to the Polly Ventus branch to Crooked Run, then across said Crooked Run to the back line of the Philpau patent thence with the back line of the Philpau patent to Crooked Run, then down said various courses of Crooked Run to the beginning Also it is my will and desire that my son Starkey shall have his wife and interest in and to the Harrison land heretofore given him by deed, to my son Adonijah M'Daniel, and in consideration of the same, he is to have the Peacock M'Daniel and Sommons field back Wilsons line, and should he refuse to comply to release his said interest in and to said Harrison lands, then and in that case, the Peacock M'Daniel and Sommons fields to be sold to purchase said Harrison land. Also I give and bequeath to my son Starkey certain negro slaves by the name of Syphay, Dauphey, Tom Colman, George Humphrey, and his wife and children to have and to hold, the said said Estates of land and slaves to him and his heirs forever. Provided always, that should the said Starkey M'Daniel die leaving no lawful heirs or issue surviving, then said Estates of lands and slaves to be equally divided as near as possible between my surviving son and other children.

I give and bequeath unto my son Adonijah M'Daniel the lands wherein he now lives, Beginning at the head of Peacock Run at the Mouth of Anterior Branch and running up said Anterior Branch to the Main Road leading to Front Bridge, then all the lands I own on the left hand side of said road extending the same and Harrison lands and the lands I purchased of Sam'ld M'Daniel and of the heirs of M'Clandal in the same manner due to Peacock Run, then up the various courses of said River to the beginning; Also I give and bequeath to my son Adonijah certain negro slaves by the name of Austin, Parr, Alexander, Hammett, Daniel, and other fitting. And I warrant my son Starkey to comply with my reasonable request made forth in this instrument to take in and to the Harrison land, & his brother Adonijah with the view of making said land convenient and convenient to each of them, and in case of his refusal as to be that the executors will report to the executors and dividends thereon set forth to have and to hold your Estate of lands in full and every power provided always that should the said Adonijah M'Daniel die &

leaving no lawful heir or issue surviving him, then said estate of land and slaves to be equally apportioned between my surviving son John and their alts. -

ITEM 6th I give and bequeath unto my son William H. Daniel a certain tract or parcel of land I bought of John Oliver containing all of said Oliver's Hatch land to high water mark, adjoining what is called the Buckner Hatch Mills, also the lands I purchased of Joseph Hatch called the Birnes land, with half of the Mills and half of the Log Cabin & Chairs with other appurtenances thereto belonging, so having timber to said Mills. Also I give and bequeath to my son William certain Negro Slaves by the names of John, Dave, Harriet, Little, Mary and Eliza daughters of Virginia, Frank & Jonah, to have and to hold said estate of land and slaves to him and his heirs forever. Provided always, that should the said William H. Daniel die leaving no lawful heir or issue surviving him, then this said estate of land and slaves to be equally divided as near as possible between my surviving son John and their alts. - And it is my will and desire, that should my son William desire to sell the lands and Mills hereby devised, that my said son or surviving sons shall have the offer of the purchase and should they not agree with regard to the purchase at fair value, then and in that case, they shall choose three disinterested persons unconnected with the parties either by consanguinity or affinity, and have said lands and Mills valued, and that my said son or surviving sons shall purchase said lands and Mills at the valuation so made, and pay for the same in yearly instalments should they be disposed so to do.

ITEM 7th I give and bequeath unto my son David Henry H. Daniel the lands wherein he now lives being a part of the Howard land, containing all that part of said land, that lies on the left hand side of the Public Road leading from Trenton to White Oak, or Burlington, but he waives all claim on my other heirs for the sum of One thousand dollars the same having been paid by the said David H. Daniel in full payment of said Howard lands. Also I give and bequeath unto the said Son David H. Daniel One Half of the right in and to the Buckner Hatch Mills, One half of log Cabin, Chairs and other appurtenances thereto belonging as mentioned in Item six. Also I give and bequeath unto David H. Daniel certain Negro Slaves by the names of Joe, Salina, George son of Tom, Alfred, Peter, Gilbert, Amy, to have and to hold said estate of lands and slaves to him and his heirs forever. Provided always that should the said David H. Daniel die leaving no lawful heir or issue surviving him, then said estate of lands Mills and slaves to be equally divided as near as possible between my surviving son John and their alts. - And it is my will and desire, that should my son David H. Daniel desire to sell the lands and Mills hereby devised, that my said son or surviving sons shall have the offer of the purchase and should they not agree with regard to the purchase at fair value, then and in that case, they shall choose three disinterested persons unconnected with the parties either by consanguinity or affinity, and have said lands and Mills valued, and that my said son or surviving sons shall purchase said lands and Mills at the valuation so made and pay for the same in yearly instalments should they be disposed so to do.

ITEM 8th I give and bequeath unto my son Nathan H. Daniel certain pieces or parcels of land, to bring all the lands that I purchased of Simon G. Beaton. Also certain Negro Slaves by the names of Dennis, Battus, Primus, Annaca and her children Franck, Zenus, George and Mariah, together with their future increase, Leah and her Children Cheney, Susan, John Ann, and their future increase, Virgin and Slatkey his wife. Also I give and bequeath to my son Nathan H. Daniel certain Birds, Bulsteads and furniture. One York of Cows, Nine Cows and Calves. One Cart, Four Horses or Mules his choice in addition to what I have already advanced and given him, to have and to hold said estate of lands and slaves to him and his heirs and assigns future. Provided always that should said Nathan H. Daniel die, leaving no lawful heir or issue surviving him, that said estate of lands and slaves shall be equally divided between my said son or surviving son John and their alts. -

ITEM 9th I give and bequeath unto my son James H. Daniel certain pieces or parcels of Land, beginning at the mouth of the ditch at Cherry Tree Island, then up the fresh ground Cotton patch ditch, thence to the centre of the Water Oak flat, then a straight line to Pollock's Peacock bridge until it strikes an intersecting with Starkey H. Daniel's corner, then with the Avenue to the Main Road leading from Trenton to about Bridge, then down said road to Antioch Branch, then down the various courses of Antioch Branch to First River, then up the various courses of First River to my common line near the bridge across said river at Trenton, then with the common line to the Main Road near the Mills, then to the Mill Pond, to high water mark, to the former place, then with said line to the Main Road, then to Trenton, then up the various courses of said Main Road leading from Trenton to White Oak Bayans line, then with my own and H. H. Bayans line to the Middle Road, then up

Crooked Run; and up and with the various courses of said Crooked Run to the first station or beginning, including all improvements dwelling and appurtenances (with the exception of the Mills and Millstat near Trenton) Also all the lands I purchased of Farmfold M' Daniel and the heirs of Mr. Colandal Farmer, on the right hand side of the Road leading from Trenton to Trent Bridge, all of my Pecosin land which is called my Venter land, also all of my "Hylgau" patent land above the Antino Branch Canal whenever act, and all my land I purchased of Edmond Hatch lying on Beaver Dam adjoining the lands of Nathan Force and the heirs of Samuel & Simmon. Also Five Feather Beds, Bedsteads and furniture, all of the residue of Household and Kitchen Furniture Out-hisbefore or hereinafter bequeathed. The Log Carriages and Chairs and appurtenances thereto belonging for hauling timber. The Carts his choice, all the farming Tools consisting of Ploughs, Tree Hoes, Scow etc etc. The Wagons, also eight head of Mules or Horses his first choice. All of my Stock of cattle (with the exception of One Yoke of Oxen and five Cows and Calves) together with my Stock of Hogs. Also I give and bequeath to my son James certain Negro Slaves by the names of Henry George Hatch, Tom Hatch, Jack Dow, Peter Phille, Julia Ann, Caroline, Sam ^{James} & Philis, Cornelius, Chlo, Beg. Mary, little Bill, Phinebe, Tom son of Phinebe, together with their future increase to have and to hold said Estate of Lands and slaves to him and his heirs and assigns forever. Provided always, should the said James M' Daniel die leaving no lawful issue or heir surviving him, then said Estate of land, Slaves and personal property, should be equally divided as near as possible between my few or surviving sons, with the exception hereafter named share and share alike. And it is my will and desire that the lands bequeathed to my son James and known as my "Home plantation" and bounded as above and including the "Commons" below Trenton shall at the death of my son James, he leaving no lawful heir or issue surviving him, to descend to my son Nathan M' Daniel or his lawful heir or issue surviving him, to him his heirs and assigns forever. ~

Item 8th It is my will and desire, should any other of my Children desire to sell the lands devised to them, that my few or surviving sons, shall have the offer of the purchase; and should they not agree in regard to a fair valuation of the same, then, and in that case, they choose three discreet & disinterested persons unconnected with the parties, and have said lands and improvements valued, and that my few or surviving sons shall purchase the said lands at the valuation so made, and pay in yearly instalments the purchase money, should they be disposed so to do, or decline the purchase at their discretion. ~

Item 9th I give and bequeath all my Stock of Sheep, to be equally divided between my sons Adonijah, James and Nathan M' Daniel share and share alike, to them their heirs and assigns forever. ~

Item 10th I give and bequeath to my son Louis A. M' Daniel in addition to what I have heretofore advanced and given him, One Feather Bed and Furniture, also a Certain Negro by the name of Penny to him and his heirs & assigns forever. ~

Item 11th I give and bequeath to my sons Starkey, Adonijah, James, Williamson, Louis H. and Nathan M' Daniel two Negroes by the names of Bill Kinney and Old Betty in common stock to them their heirs and assigns forever. ~

Item 12th I give and bequeath to my sons James and Nathan M' Daniel my Mills and Millstat near Trenton, and adjoining my Home plantation, and that my son Starkey and Adonijah M' Daniel have their own or lease ground free of toll, provided they assist their brothers James and Nathan in said Mills in proper and necessary respects to them their heirs and assigns forever. ~

Item 13th I give and bequeath to my son James M' Daniel all the reserved right and interest I have to have in a tract of land sold by me to Lewis Moore as will appear by deed to said Moore, and should James die without a lawful heir or issue surviving him, that, then said reserved right and interest in aforesaid timber as above described, to descend to my son Nathan M' Daniel to him his heirs and assigns forever. ~

I give and bequeath unto my son Starkey, Adonijah, Williamson, Louis H. and Nathan M' Daniel the Millstat & Mill, all my reserved right and interest to one Mark Beck in the Edwards plantation, and to the other in common stock to be used for the ^{1/4} of all of their descents.

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to them, their heirs and assigns forever. —

Item 15th I give and bequeath to my son Starkey, Adonijah, James, William, Louis H. and Nathan Mc Daniel my two Jennies, to be held in Common Stock or until they shall have a Jack Colt, for each of my sons above named, the first Jenny that may have a Jack Colt, to belong to my son James, the second Son & nie that may have a Jack Colt, to belong to my son Louis Henry, and so on, until each of my Sons shall have a Jack Colt from said Jennies a Jack Colt. And should they not be disposed to keep said Jennies as Common Stock, that my Executors or Executrix hereinafter named, shall have them sold, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the payment of my debts. —

Item 16th It is my will and desire, that all the Crop of every kind and description on hand at my death, after deducting ~~and~~ a sufficient and ample support of my son James Mc Daniel and his family, that the remainder of said Crop, Stock and personal property not hereinbefore devised, shall be sold by Executor or Executrix hereinafter named on a Credit of six months at public sale, and the proceeds arising from sale, together with the debt owing to me collected, shall be applied to the discharge and payment of the Howard debt, and should there be not a sufficient amount arising from the said sale of Crop and personal estate not herein before devised, together with the debt owing me after collection of the same, to pay off and discharge said Howard debt, that the balance, so remaining unpaid, it is my will and desire, that my son James shall pay off and discharge the same. —

Item 17th It is my will and most ardent wish, that my Executor or Executrix hereinafter named, purchase from the Estate of Mr. Julia C. Boyce a certain man slave by the name of Israel, and set him free, and I do in the most urgent and strictest manner request and require my Executor or Executrix hereinafter named, to fulfill and complete this my request by setting him at full liberty, and that he may enjoy the blessing of freedom for and during his natural life, and to be better maintained and supported while enjoying the blessings of freedom. I desire and most urgently require my son James to settle him on the land I have devised him, and give him a Horse, farming tools and other stock for his comfort and a sufficient quantity of ground to cultivate for his support and comfort during his natural life, and to live under the care and kind treatment and good usage of my son James, and after the death of my son James, under the care and kind treatment of my friends or surviving bond. —

Item 18th It is my will and most urgent request that my Executor or Executrix hereinafter named shall raise from my Estates the sum of One Hundred Dollars, to be paid to my son William for the care and comfort of girl Harriet, on Condition that at the death of my son William that he will have her emancipated and set at liberty, And it is my most urgent wish and request that my son William shall fulfill and complete this my request. And I do most urgently and solemnly charge and require my friends or surviving bond to give her a home among them, or the survivors of them, and to pay close attention and care of her, so that should she need any support, that she may receive it at their hands. Could I know it, it would be mortifying to my feelings, to know, that the poor girl should be wanting the necessities of life and put at pain to

Item 19th It is my will and desire that my Executor or Executrix shall give to my boy Zachariah a free boy of Color whom I have raised a Horse, Saddle and Bridle, on Condition that he remains under the care and kind treatment of my son James, And should he wish to remain with my son James, that he will give a sufficient quantity of farming tools & stock for his comfort and a sufficient quantity of ground to cultivate for his maintenance and support during his natural life, or so long as may continue under the care and kind treatment of my son James. —

Lastly, I do hereby constitute and appoint my sons Starkey, Adonijah, James, William, Louis H. and Nathan Mc Daniel my sole and lawful Executors to this my last Will and Testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same and every part and clause thereof, hereby revoking and declaring utterly void, all other Wills and Testaments by me hitherto made. In witness whereof I the said James Mc Daniel do hereunto set my hand and affix my seal the the Eleventh day of November A.D. 1853

James Mc Daniel Seal
mark

Signed Sealed and delivered publickly and declared by the said James Mc Daniel to be his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who at his request were his friends desirous to see names written thereto. Interlined before signing.

Benjamin Askin
Thomas Wilson
John Borrook

Ours —

State of North Carolina Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions July Term 1854.
Sime County

This was the last Will & Testament of James McDaniel dec^d presented
in Open Court for probate, when the same was proved in due form of law by the oaths of Charles Gor-
cock and Thos. Wilcox, two of the subscribing witnesses thereto and Ordered to be registered & filed. And
at the same time Adenyah and Nathan McDaniel executors herein named, came into Court and qualified as such. Ordered that letters testamentary issue to them.

A true Copy of the Original filed in Office

Chas. Gorcock Clerk

In the Name of God Amen I Elizabeth Hawkins of the County of Sime and State of
North Carolina being of sound mind and memory do this the 28 day of March A.D. 1854
make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say
First That after my death my body shall be decently buried, and that my funeral expenses
and just debt shall be paid by my Executrix herein after mentioned
Item first I give and bequeath unto Jackson Hawkins son of Hilding Hawkins One Ounce to
him his heirs and assigns forever.

Item second I give and bequeath unto Elizabeth Moore daughter of Wiley Moore the
sum of Two Dollars in money to her her heirs and assigns forever to be paid to her by my
Executor.

Item third I give and bequeath unto Elizabeth Jane Moore daughter of Richard Moore the
sum of Five Dollars in money to her her heirs and assigns forever to be paid to her by my Executor

Item fourth I give and bequeath unto Sarah Elizabeth Moore daughter of Cannon Moore
the sum of Five Dollars to her her heirs and assigns forever to be paid to her by my Executor

Item fifth I give and bequeath unto Eliza Caroline Hobles daughter of Henry Hobles One Half

Bedstead and furniture the first choice to her her heirs and assigns forever.

Item sixth I give and bequeath unto Elizabeth Tilghman daughter of Alexander Tilghman One Bed
Bedstead and furniture the second choice to her her heirs and assigns forever.

Item seventh I give and bequeath unto Elizabeth Susan Hawkins daughter of William Hawkins my
other Bed and furniture to her her heirs and assigns forever.

Lastly It is my will and desire that all my property not heretofore disposed of be sold by my
Executor herein after to be appointed on a credit of six months and the proceeds to be equally divided
amongst all my Children. And I do hereby Nominate Constitute and Appoint my friend and
son in Law Richard Moore sole Executor to this my last Will & Testament this and this only to be and
put into my last Will.

Signed Sealed published and declared by
the Testator in presence of

J. B. Bryan
Hannah White

Elizabeth ^{her} Hawkins Test
mark.

State of North Carolina Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions July Term A.D. 1854.
Sime County

This was the last Will & Testament of Elizabeth Hawkins dec^d pre-
sented in Open Court for probate, when the same was proved in due form of law by the oath of J. B. Bryan
one of the subscribing witnesses thereto and Ordered to be registered and filed. At the same time Richard
Moore the Executor herein named came into Court and qualified as such according to law. Ordered
that Letters Testamentary issue to him

A true Copy of the Original filed in Office
at July Term A.D. 1854 Chas. Gorcock Clerk

Chas. Gorcock Clerk