

157. State of North Carolina
 Jones County Court May Term 1798

Then was the within written Last will & Testament of Robert Cyman dec'd duly proved in open Court by the Oath of Wm Gardner one of the subscribing and ordered to be recorded. The Executors therein named not appearing to qualify Administrators was granted in the Estate of said dec'd with the last will to Mr. Rebecca Cyman who entered into Bonds and qualified as such Executor that Letter with the will annexed show accordingly

Attest L. W. B. R. C.

In the name of God Amen I James Watson of Jones County & State of North Carolina being weak in body but of sound mind and memory & Calling to mind the mortality of man do make & publish this my last will & Testament in manner & form following that is first of all I recommend my soul into the hands of God that gave it and my body to be buried in a decent manner at the discretion of my Executors hereafter mentioned And as for my worldly goods then worth of both I leave to my wife I desire and dispose of as follows

Item I give and bequeath unto my son James Watson all my Land above mentioned branch three Negroes Callie & Robin Tom & Martin three head of horses and all the Cattle in his mark and the key that is now called his one old & furniture and the household furniture that is now in his hands at what is known in his possession to him his heirs and assigns forever Item I give & bequeath unto my beloved wife one negro man Callie make one negro woman Callie Hannah one cow & calves eight ewes & lambs and one horse Callie both two mares Callie pigon & Mordred and all my plantation tools to her her heirs & assigns forever Further I lend to my beloved wife Sarah Watson my house & barn & other building with the part of the plantation whereon is my apple orchard peach orchard and along the avenue to the road or from the bottom just above the apple orchard and along the avenue to the road with priviledge of fire wood & Timber for plantation use to her during her natural life & heirs one negro woman Callie Dock and all my household furniture The my beloved wife giving my four youngest children one bed furniture at their coming of age Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Sarah Watson one Negro Woman called Violet one horse called Nimrod four Cows & calves four ewes & lambs to her her heirs & assigns forever Item I give to my son Emmit Watson one horse called Mordred and my silver three times and key & assigns forever Item I give to my son John Watson twenty dollars to him his heirs & assigns forever Further my will & desire is that all my beloved wife decase all my Land (except that part called Longson Jones) & equally divided between my three youngest sons Emmit John & John and as for the rest of my Negroes my tools & that they be equally divided between my three sons Emmit John & John and my Daughter Sarah at my Daughter's coming of age or marriage between for stock & her increase the equally divided between the four sons three sons and my daughter along before the decase Further my will is that my Executors be discretional with the upper part of my plantation and the Negroes that may be for my youngest children until they come of age and as they come of age for them to have their part Further I constitute and appoint my Brother James Watson my son James Watson & my friends Joseph Sanderson Executors and my beloved wife Executrix to this my last will and Testament rescinding all other and former wills by me made at any time and declaring this to be my last will and Testament in writing which I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 20th day of February 1798

James Watson

Wm Gardner
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Then was the within written Last will & Testament of James Watson dec'd duly proved in open Court by the Oath of Thomas Meade and William Noble two of the subscribing Witnesses and ordered to be recorded at the same time & place as the within written Last will & Testament of Robert Cyman dec'd

Attest L. W. B. R. C.

In the name of God Amen I Sarah Watson of Jones County being of sound and perfect mind and memory do hereby bequeath to the first day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety two make and publish this to be my last will and Testament in manner following that is to say

First I give and bequeath unto my wife beloved Sister Mordred two slaves all my plantation and Land whereon I live with all the appurtenances thereto belonging and all my other Property real and personal to her her heirs and assigns for ever or for Single and I hereby make and ordain my worthy friend Peter Mayet Executor of this my last will and Testament let my hands and seal the day and year first above written

Signed Sealed & Published in presence of the Testators in her last will and Testament in the presence of us who were present at the time of signing and sealing thereof

Arch. Reynolds
 Wm Gardner

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Then was the within Last will & Testament of Sarah Watson dec'd duly proved in open Court by the Oath of Richard Reynolds by one of the subscribing witnesses & ordered to be recorded

Attest L. W. B. R. C.

In the name of God Amen I Adam Watson of the County of Jones & State of North Carolina being sick & weak but of perfect mind & memory do hereby bequeath to make the mortality of man do make & publish this my last will & Testament in manner & form following that is to say I give & bequeath my soul into the hands of Almighty God that gave it & my body to be buried in a decent Christian manner at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named & as such such I do hereby give and bequeath unto my wife Sarah Watson the whole of my Land & my tools & furniture the plantation whereon I now live including what is cleared on the