

I then give and bequeath to my son Haden one shilling sterling to him his heirs and assigns forever Lastly I nominate and appoint my Beloved wife Catherine my only Executrix to this my last will and Testament hereby revoking and annulling all former will by me made acknowledging this as my last will and Testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this the 31st day of January 1821 in presence of

Witness

Enoch Foy +

Enoch Ward

Haden Knight & Co.

State of North Carolina

Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions

Jones County

March Term 1822

That was the within last will and Testament of Haden Knight her produced and proved in due form of Law by the oath of Enoch Foy one of the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded at the same time Catherine Knight the Executrix therein named Lucifide as such agreeable to Law ordered that letters Testamentary issue accordingly

At Town City from the original

Esther W. Thompson

Attest W. Thompson

In the name of God Amen: I John Strong of the County of Jones and State of North Carolina, and late of the Parish of Stratfield State of Connecticut, being of sound and perfect mind and memory (blessed be God) do on this 18th day of April in the Year of our Lord 1822 make and publish this my last will & Testament in manner following. That is to say I desire that after my death, my Executors herein after named, remove my body to the Parish of Stratford in the County of Fairfield and State of Connecticut and enter it into the family burial ground, at that place in which are deposited the remains of my parents and other relations, and further I desire that a suitable monument be created over my grave

As regards all my estate, both real and personal, in the first place I desire that all my just debts be paid by my Executors.

Item I give to my Beloved Wife Cyphena Strong, during her natural life one third part of all my Lands in the County of Fairfield and State of Connecticut (her third part to be so allotted, as to include the buildings and improvements when she now resides) except one piece of Land containing between seven and eight acres lying at a place called Rocky Hill on the other side, and my share of the lands which I inherited from my Father Joseph Strong and a child his Widow's Comfort. At present now down.

Item I give to my Beloved Wife Cyphena Strong, one third part of all my personal Estate of what nature or kind soever, whether money or goods, after the payment of my debts and legacies herein mentioned except the furniture. The belonging to my house in Stratford, and said furniture I leave to my Wife during her Widowhood.

Witness.

I give to Oliver Ellsworth, a child of Sarah Barrow, all my real estate in Town County, N. Carolina and all my real estate in Fairfield County, Connecticut, except a piece containing between Seven and Eight Acres, lying at a place called Rocky Hill, in Stratford field, and except my share of the Land I inherited from my father Joseph Strong, and in which his widow at present, owns down to the said Oliver Ellsworth, and his heirs, but if the said Oliver shall die without leaving a lawfully begotten child living at his death, I give all the real estate herein devised to him to my three Sisters, Mary Fowler, Charity Jones, and Deborah Harding and their heirs as tenants in common.

I give to my nephew John Harding the piece of Land at Rocky Hill, in Stratford field in the State of Connecticut, to him and his heirs for ever.

I give to my Niece Sarah Ann Strong Fowler, and Cordelia Jones and Ann Harding all my furniture belonging to my house in Stratford, after William Hook of my Wife to them their executors and administrators.

I give to my nephew John Harding and my Niece Sarah Ann Strong Fowler, and Cordelia Jones, my share of the Land in Fairfield County, Connecticut which I inherited from my father, and in which my father's widow at present, has power, to them and their heirs, I also give to my said nephew John and my two Nieces, Sarah Ann and Cordelia, my share of the Land in the State of New York, which I inherited from my father, Joseph Strong to them and their heirs.

I give to William Fowler, son of Stephen Fowler, late Haverhill Dolly.

I give to Ann Harding late Haverhill Dolly.

I give to Oliver Ellsworth, a child of Sarah Barrow, all the rest and residue of my Estate both real and personal, to him and his heirs, Executors, and Administrators, but if the said Oliver shall die, without a lawfully begotten child, living at his death, I give said residue of my estate, real and personal, to my three Sisters, Mary Fowler, Charity Jones, and Deborah Harding to them, their heirs, Executors, administrators, and assigns.

Lastly, I desire that the before named Oliver Ellsworth, be educated at Princeton or

Hale College, or my Executors shall deem advisable, if my Executors shall think that he has talents worthy of a College Education, and that if he goes to College, he be bound in some pious family, where strict attention will be paid to his morals. I also desire that as soon as can be conveniently done, my Executors, apply to the Legislature, to have the name of said Oliver changed, to that of Oliver Ellsworth Strong.

And I do hereby make and assign my worthy friends Francis L. Hawks, Isaac Brown, and Lawrence H. Smith, Executors of this my last Will & Testament.

I do hereby certify I have hereunto set my hand and Seal, to this my last Will and Testament on this day and Year above written.

John Strong



In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal, to this my last Will and Testament on this day and Year above written.

State of North Carolina }
 Jones County - } Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions
 June Term 1822.

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Then was the foregoing last will and Testament of John Strong produced in open Court and the due and legal Execution thereof proved by Depts. Wheeler and Isaac Barrick two of the subscribing Witnesses thereto and it was ordered by the Court that it be recorded - At the same time Thomas L. Hawks Esquire J. Stranks and Isaac Croom, Executors therein named appeared and were qualified according to Law.

a True Copy.
 Attest J. H. Korney or C.L.
 J. H. Korney or C.L.

State of North Carolina }
 Jones County } In the name of God Amen I Unity Williams of the State & County aforesaid being of sound mind & memory thank be to God Almighty God for the same and knowing that it is appointed for all human nature once to die do make and ordain this my last will and Testament in manner and form following

Item I give & bequeath to my living Daughter Melinda Andrews one feather bed and Bed Furniture

Item I give and bequeath to my Son Danielson Benge Aker one feather bed

Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Polly Huggins & Catherine Thorne one dollar each if personally demanded from my Executors

Item I give and bequeath to my Grand daughter Frances O. Lintley daughter of my Son Thos. McMilling dead ten dollars when she arrives at the age of twenty one years or is married but should she die in her minority the aforesaid ten dollars to be equally divided between my Daughters Suley Melinday & Nancy or their heirs

Item I give and bequeath the residue of my property after all my just debts & funeral expenses are paid to be equally divided between my Daughters Suley Melinday & Nancy or their lawfully heirs

Now I do hereby constitute appoint & ordain my loving friend Benja Harrison Esq. sole Executor of this my last will and Testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this the thirty first day of March one thousand eight hundred and twenty one

Signed & sealed }
 in presence of }
 James Russell }
 Nancy Russell }
 State of N. Carolina }
 Jones County - } Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions
 June Term A.D. 1822

Unity XX Williams Esq.
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Then was the foregoing last will and Testament of Unity Williams duly produced and proven in due form of Law by the oath of James Russell one of the subscribing Witnesses thereto, ordered that it be recorded At the same time Benjamin Harrison Esq. Executor therein named qualified as such according to Law. Ordered that Letters Testamentary issue accordingly

Attest J. H. Korney or C.L.