

In the name of God, Amen

This Twenty third day of November 1797 Jones County being sick, but of perfect mind & memory, thanks be to God for the same, calling to mind the mortality of my Body; it being appointed to all men once to die; do make & order this my last Will & Testament, I give & dispose of the same in the following Manner & form; That is to say —

Item. My Will is that all just Debts be paid by my Executor out of my Estate in a convenient Time after my decease

Item. I leave to my beloved Wife Sada Wood one Feather Bed and Furniture, One Iron pot & Kettle, 2 Cattle, 2 Spinning, One Pewter Dish, & half a Dozen pewter Plates, during her natural Life or Widowhood.

Item. I give & bequeath unto my Son Peter Wood One Tract of Land lying in Duplin County containing One hundred and fifty Acres to him & his Heirs for ever: to be sold as soon as can be conveniently after my decease, &

one half of the Money arising from the Sale of said Land I give to my Son William Wood to him & his Heirs for ever. also I give to my Son Peter One Roan Mare that he has in his keeping now, also I give to my Son William One 2 Year Heifer & one Hand Sawn

Item. I give to my Daughter Mahaley Amyet One Feather Bed, One Pewter Dish, & one Spinning Wheel, One Iron Cattle

Item. I give unto my Daughter Mary Wood One Feather Bed & Furniture, One Cow & Year old

Item. I give to my Daughter Nancy Wood one Feather Bed & Furniture, & one four Year old Heifer.

Item. I leave to my beloved Wife Sada Wood & my Sons John Wood, & Anthony Wood & Daniel Wood all the Remainder of my Estate that I have not given away during my Wife's Widowhood, & at her Death I give unto my Sons all the Estate that I have left to my Wife to be equally divided between John, Anthony & Daniel Wood. It is to be understood that my Debts is to be paid out of the best part of my Estate, in & hereby appoint my beloved Wife Sada Wood my Executrix, with my Son Peter Wood my Executor of this my last Will & Testament as Witness my hand & seal in presence of us —

George Baggett, John Perry, Amos Amyet

State of North Carolina

Jones County Court, February Term 1798 —

Then was the foregoing last Will & Testament of Gershom Wood dec'd duly proved & open Court by the Oath of George Baggett & ordered to be recorded — at same Time Peter Wood qualified as Executor —

Ordered that Lotters Testamentary given in the Clerk's Office of Jones County

Attest Jm Crum, Sec
Jno T. Bryan & Co.

In the name of God, Amen

I Joseph Gray of Jones County & State of North Carolina being very weak of Body, but of sound & perfect Mind & Memory, I calling unto Mind the mortality of my Body, & knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die; do constitute & ordain this my last Will & Testament in Manner & form following; that is to say, principally I first of all I recommend my Soul into the Hands of Almighty God who gave it, & my Body to the Earth to be buried in decent Christian Burial at the discretion of my Executors after named — First — my Will and desire is that my just Debts & funeral Charges be paid by my Executors

Item. I give to my beloved Wife Liffha Gray, One Mare, One Cow & Calf & Two Heifers, & One Bed & Furniture together with One half of my Household Furniture to her, her Heirs & assigns for ever

Item. I give to my Daughter Elizabeth Gray One Bed & Furniture together with One Cow & Calf & One Heifer, & the remaining half of my Household Furniture

Item. I give to my Son Israel Gray One Horse, Bridle & Saddle, One Cow & Calf, one Heifer, together with all my plantation Tools & Farming Utensils

And I also give my Stock of Hogs & Pigs to my Wife & Two Children to be equally divided between them

I also nominate & appoint my Wife & my Son Israel Gray Executors, to this my last Will & Testament, & I do hereby utterly disallow, revoke & disannul all & every other former Testaments, Wills, Legacies, Bequests & Executors by me in and wise before named, made & bequeathed

Testifying & confirming this & no other to be my last Will & Testament

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand & Seal this 17th Day of February 1798 Signed sealed & pronounced by the said Joseph Gray as his last Will & Testament in presence of us

State of N^o Carolina
Jones County Court, February Term 1790—
Then was the within foregoing last Will & Testament of Joseph
Gray duly proved in open Court by the Oath of James
Harrison, One of the subscribing Witnesses thereto & Order'd
to be recorded — at the same time Lypha Gray the
Executrix therein named qualified as such agreeable to
Law — Order'd that Letters Testamentary issue ac-
cordingly — Past Wm Come for
J. S. Bryan & Co

State of N^o Carolina In the name of God, Amen
Jones County — I Rachel Mead of said County being
very sick but in perfect Mind & Memory, being mindful of
mortality & for the quiet of my family do make this my last Will
& Testament in form following: Chief of all I commend my
Soul to God that gave it through the Merits of Jesus Christ my
Redeemer, & my Body to the Earth to be decently buried at the
discretion of my Executors hereafter mention'd & as for such
wordly Goods as God hath been pleas'd to bless me with, I dis-
pose of the same as followeth —
First of all I give to my Mother Hannah Mead one
small Sorrel Horse, & one Bull Yearling & all my Hogs
Also I give to my Sister Barbara Mead one Feather
Bed & Furniture & one small brindle Stear Yearling
Also — I give to my Sister Hannah Collins ^{one} pair of Cows, Sixty
& Gentle & their Calves to my Nephew Ben Collins —
Also — I give to my Nephew Rachel West one Cow call'd
Whisper —
Also — I give to my Nephew Charity Mead one Cow call'd
Slow —
Also, I give to Nephew Isaac Collins one Three year old Heifer
Also I give to my Sister Sophena West, three Gowns, one
strip'd Necktie, one yellow flower'd Collar, one strip'd Home-
span one Coat & pattern — Also, I give to my Nephew
Nancy Mead one Gown red flower'd Collar
Also, I give to my Nephew Polly Collins one White Muslin
Gown, & and my Nephew Barbara Collins one Red Necktie,
and all the remainder part of my Estate that is not mention-
ed to be equally divided between my Two Sisters Barba-
ra Mead & Hannah Collins — Also I constituted
appoint John Collins & my Nephew Ben Collins & Barbara
Mead my whole & sole Executors of this my last Will &
Testament — Witness my hand & seal this twenty first day
of February 1790 Rachel Mead

State of North Carolina
Jones County Court, Term 1790 (222)
Then was the foregoing last Will & Testament of Rachel Mead
duly proved in open Court by the Oath of Abraham
Dudley, Sen^r one of the subscribing Witnesses thereto & Order'd
to be recorded — At same time
of the Executors therein named qualified as such agree-
able to Law, Order'd that Letters Testamentary issue ac-
cordingly — Attest

In the name of God, Amen. — I William Herbert
of Jones County & State of North Carolina (Planter) being in
Health of Body & of perfect sound Mind & Memory thank
God for it do therefore this sixth Day of March in the Year of
our Lord Christ Anno Domini 1795 make & publish this my
last Will & Testament in Maner & form as follows, viz.
I give, first I leave or lend unto my beloved Wife Priscilla
Herbert One hundred & forty four Acres of Land being one half
of the Land & Plantations whereon I now live during her natural
Life, or Widowhood — I give — I also give unto my Wife
Priscilla Herbert One half of my Estate of all kinds except
my Lands, to her & her Heirs & Assigns for ever — I also lend
her the other half during her natural Life or Widowhood —
I give I give unto my Daughter Susanna Chance Twenty
Shilling —
I give unto my Daughter Sarah Williams One hundred
& forty four Acres of Land at my Death, also the other hundred
& forty four Acres at my Wife's Death or Marriage, to her & her
Heirs & Assigns for ever —
I give unto my Wife's Daughter Ann Murfey One
Feather Bed & Furniture & One Heifer Earling, & One slow Stear
to her Heirs or Assigns for ever —
I give The half of my Estate lent to my Wife, I leave to be sold
at my Wife's Death or Marriage & the Money to be equally di-
vided, the Children of Sarah Williams, & William Herbert & Anne
first paying all my just Debts —
I hereby nominate, constitute & appoint my beloved
Wife Priscilla Herbert, & Benjamin Williams Executors of this my last
Will & Testament whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this
sixth day of March 1795 Witness my hand & seal this sixth day of March 1795
William Herbert