

State of North Carolina
James County Court. February Term 1799
Then was the within & foregoing last Will & Testament of John
Bush Esquire read duly proved in open Court by the Oath of
John Sperry & James Harts. Two of the subscribing Witnesses
thereunto called to be recorded. At the same time
Penelope Bush, Lewin Lam & Jno. T. Bryan the Grand Jurors therein
qualified as such agreeable to Law. Ordered that Letters
Testamentary issue accordingly. J. T. Bryan Clk.

In the name of God, Amen — I Robert Pine
being of sound Mind & Memory, am willing to settle my worldly
Substances which he has pleas'd God to bless me ^{with} in Manner
following, viz.

1. I desire that my Body may be buried by the side of my Wife in
the Church Yard of New Britain in a decent private Manner. —

2. I desire that all my just Debts be paid out of my personal-
ties not herein after particularly devised & specified, & if that should
not be found sufficient, I desire that the Remainder be paid
out of the Legacies bequeath'd to my Son William herein after men-
tion'd.

3. I give & bequeath unto my Daughter Margaret Wood a Negro
Woman nam'd Betty, & the Bed & Furniture which I lent her, to her
her Heirs for ever.

4. I give & bequeath unto my Grand Daughter Betsey Wickliffe
a Negro Girl & a Negro Boy nam'd Isaac to be deliver'd
to her when she arrives at the Age of Twenty One Years or inter-
marries which ever shall first happen, & the Benefit of the Labour
of the said Negroes Sall & Isaac shall go to my Three Daughters
Jane, Deborah & Lottice, or whomsoever of them that shall remain single
if they should all in marrym before said Time, then in that case my
Will is that my Daughter Lottice have the Labour of the Negroes Sall &
my Daughter Deborah have the Labour of the Boy Isaac to their own
proper Use & Benefit untill they the said Negroes are to be deliver'd unto
my Grand Daughter Betsey Wickliffe. And further it is my Will
& pleasure that in case the said Betsey Wickliffe should happen to die
before she arrives at the Age of Twenty One Years, that then ^{my} the before mention'd Negroes Sall,
and her Heirs for ever, & the Negro Boy Isaac shall go & belong to my
Daughter Jane & her Heirs for ever: any thing herein mention'd to the
contrary notwithstanding.

5. I give & bequeath to my Daughter Jane Orme a Negroe
Wench nam'd Sabina & her Child ren nam'd Ned, Belia & Friday,
also a Woolen Wheel, a Silver Table Spoon & a large Silver Soup Spoon
& Two Silver Teaspoons to her & her Heirs & Assigns for ever.

6. I give & bequeath to my Daughter Deborah ^{Orme} a Negroe Fellow nam'd
Leary, Three Negroe Boys nam'd Ben, Jerry & Bill, Four cows & calves,
which are in her Mark with their Increase, the Plantation which
I bought of Christopher Shilling on Mill Creek, a Feather Bed, Bedstead
Furniture, that is to say, a Boustier, Blanket & Bed Quilt, a Dinner & Wooden
Wheels, her riding Saddle & Bridle, also Two Silver Table Spoons to her & her
Heirs for ever.

7. I give & bequeath unto my Daughter Leticia a Negroe Fellow nam'd Tony,
a Negroe Wench nam'd Jude & her Two Children nam'd Sam & Hannah,
my Plantation on Mill Creek which I bought of John Granada & the Stocks
of Cattle I bought thereof with with their Increase, the Black Mare call'd her
Mare, a Feather Bed, Bedstead, Boustier, Blanket, Bed Quilt & Sheets, her
Choice of all that are in the House, a Dinner Wheel & a Cotton Wheel,
her Mother's Gold Ring, Three Silver Table Spoons, Three Silver Tea
Spoons, a Silver Tea Songs, my Tea Chest, the Looking Glass that stands
in my own Room together with the One half of what I have shall
belong to me at my Death, to her & her Heirs & Assigns for ever.

8. I give & bequeath to my Son William Orme the Plantation whereon
I now live, except as herein after excepted, my Land on Island Creek,
the Slave of Negroe Sarah & her Child, together with the Remainder of
my Estate both Real & Personal both in America & Ireland, all my
just Debts & Funeral Expenses being first paid thereof by my Executors here-
after nam'd, to him, his Heirs & Assigns for ever.

9. I give & bequeath to my Friend Thomas Hibber my Watch, Chain & Signet
to him, his Heirs & Assigns.

10. Lastly. I hereby nominate, constitute & appoint my Friends Thomas
Hibber, Andrew Blanchard & Thomas McElmiston to be the Executors of this my
last Will & Testament. Acknowledg'd & confirm'd under my Hand
& Seal this Fifth month Day of September 1790 County of
Signed, sealed & acknowledged } And further I do hereby
in presence of us } Innominate, constitute & appoint my Son
Robert Grimes } William to be one of the Executors of this my Will
John Morrey } with equal power with my other Executors
Thomas Gray } before nam'd

Witness. See the Codicil to this Will & the probate thereof on

Be it hereby rememb'd that it is the further Will & Pleasure
of the within nam'd Robert Orme that my Daughters that shall be
unmarried at my Death, shall have the Use & Benefit of my Kitchen
the little Cellar, my own Room, the Shed & Mill Room, the doorn
Room with the Loom & Tackling, the Hall Room, the Furniture
of my own Room, with so much Kitchen Furniture as my Executors
shall think sufficient for them, also three Pewter Dishes, six Pewter
Plates, six Earthen Plates, the Benefit of my Home Field & Orchard with
the Wain thereon for so long a Time as they shall remain unmarried
severally, or until they otherwise chuse to resign the same. Any
herein contain'd or before mention'd to the contrary in any
will notwithstanding, also p'd Bought Tackling & the Work of a
Yoke of Oxen nam'd Sam'l & Jany with the Yoke & Calchain -
Given under my Hand & Seal this 15th Day of September 1770

Signed, sealed & acknowledg'd
in Presence of us

Robert Orme

Thomas Hay
Robert Grimes
John Ramsey

State of North Carolina
Jones County Court, March Term 1779

Then was the within last Will & Testament of Robert Orme read
together with the Codicil duly prov'd in open Court by
the Oath of Robert Grimes one of the subscribing Witnesses
thereto & order'd to be recorded, At the same Time
William Orme one of the Executors therein nam'd
qualified as such agreeable to Law - Order'd that
Letters Testamentary issue accordingly

Test Jno. Bush Clk.

A true Copy compar'd with the original Will in the
Books of Jones County this 25th Day of June 1800

Test Wm Orme, for
Jno. P. Bryan, Clk

Be it remembered this Sixth day of the Fourth Month of the
Year One thousand Seven hundred & Ninety nine that
William Stanton of Jones County in the State of North Carolina
being of a sound & disposing Mind & memory do make & ordain
this my last Will & Testament touching my worldly Estate &
dispos'd of the same in the following manner & form -
I hereby empower my Executors hereafter nam'd
to sell & dispose of my Land with the Improvements thereto be-
longing in Case Friends generally move away, or otherwise if
they think best to sign a sufficient Deed of Sale but if they think
proper to keep said Land for the Use & support of my Family, I
leave it in their power so to do.

Item I lend to my beloved Lydia Stanton all my Land or
the Money arising therefrom if sold, with all the remaining part
of my Estate as long as she continues to be my Widow to be
discretionally made use of by my Executors as best Wisdom directs
for the Use & support of my Family, in Case she should marry
after my Decease, my Will & desire is that all my Estate then
remaining should be equally divided between my Wife & Children
here named, (to wit) Alice, Bignall, Borden, Enock, William
& Job, to whom I give said Property as above divided & to their
Heirs for ever.

Item My Will & desire is that my Executors should have the
full Care & Authority over my Children either to keep them in
their Tution, or to place them where they may in Wisdom think best
till they may arrive to lawful Age.

Lastly, I nominate constitute & appoint my beloved Wife
Lydia Stanton Executrix & my Brother Borden Stanton Ex-
ecutor to this my last Will & Testament, hereby revoking and
disannulling all former Wills by me at any Time heretofore
made & ratifying & confirming this & my other to be my last &
Testament

Signed, sealed & declar'd by the said
William Stanton to be his last Will &
Testament in Presence of us

Joseph Stanton
Henry Newby
Shamma Newby

Jones County Court, November Term 1799
Then was the aforesaid last Will & Testament of William Stanton
duly prov'd in open Court by the Affirmation of Joseph Stanton
One of the subscribing Witnesses thereto & order'd to be recorded, At
same Time Borden Stanton One of the Executors therein nam'd
together with the Affirmation of an Executor agreeable to Law - Order'd that
Letters Testamentary issue accordingly, Test Wm Orme, Clk