

In the Name of God Amen

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I Tobias Kroonee of the County of Jones in a State of North Carolina (Planter) being weak of body but of perfect sound Minde & memory do make and ordain this to be my last Will and Testament in manner and form following —

I recommend my soul to God that gave it me, and my body to the Earth from whence it was taken, to be buried in a decent Christian manner at the discretion of my Executor herein named and as for such worldly goods as it hath pleased God to bless me with I give and bequeath in manner and form following (by)

Item no 1 - I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Benetis Kroonee four Negros (by) Suky and Sarah which I got by her in a Sarahs two Children Ned & Mariah with all their further Increases, one Iron Hobnail Paddy, two Leather beds of furniture, one large Chest of Bed clothing, two Tables which she bought here, all the Crockery and furniture belonging to the house (or best) except the silver Spoons, half dozen chairs, all the dairy ware and half the Kitchen furniture, one Deer Cart and one, one Black two Cow & Colored yearlings, her choice and two Horses, one half of all my Stock of Hogs - five Cows, all the pottery of every kind, one plough & gear - one acre - one grubbing hoe, and two weeding hoes, all the Hives that is on hand one Tub with Honey, all the small Trunks and boxes she had before Marriage, two stacks of Bars her Choice, one third part of all my Crop or Corn Hopper, Peas, Potatoes and two thirds of Pork and Hams and salt up, with all the Lard, and if the same should not be sufficient for the year sufficient for my said wife and family with the stock, then such deficiency to be made good to her out of the annual growing part of my crop and provisions to be allotted her by my Executor to her heirs & assigns for and after I leave unto my said wife Benetis Kroonee for and during her Natural life, that part of my lands & plantation, Including the house I now live in with all out houses attached thereto lying on the lower side of Johnnays Resilution, Beginning at a lightwood Stump called Williamson's second corner, up to the ditch near the south bringing to Mr. Bezzins line, and run down Bolana branch and the Resilution to the river, then down the river to a large pine on the river bank some ten or fifteen yards below the corner of the fence and between the fence and what is called the mouth of the roundabout, then a direct line through the plantation to the Beginning —

Item, I give and bequeath unto my daughter Mary Pollack that part of my lands & plantation lying below that corner to Mr. wife, Beginning at a large pine, standing on the river bank between the mouth of the roundabout and the corner of this fence, say ten or fifteen yards below the fence and above the roundabout, on a run a direct line through the plantation (leaving the dwelling house & on the upper side) to a lightwood Stump called Williamson's second corner (as described in the line made to my wife Benetis) and thence to another in a straight line to William Bezzins line, then with Bezzins line to Mr. Charles (now Peter Andrews) line, then with said Bush or Andrews line to the river then up the River to the Beginning including all the land I own or have below the aforementioned dividing line to her her heirs and assigns forever —

Item - I give and bequeath unto my said daughter Mary Pollack one Negro by John to her and her heirs and assigns forever —

Item - I give and bequeath unto my daughter Mittida Bezzins all my land on the upper side of the division line between my wife Benetis and my daughter Mary Pollack it being all the lands I own above a direct line, running from a large pine on the River to fifteen yards below the corner of my fence and between said fence and the roundabout, a direct line to a lightwood Stump on the Bolana branch called Williamson's second corner, and thence straight on to William Bezzins line, thence with his line up to Benjamin Bezzins line then with said Benjamin Bezzins line to the River, then down the river to the beginning (running only the left side in that part of said lands known to my wife Benetis) to have come to her unto her my said daughter Mittida Bezzins her heirs and assigns forever —

Item - I give and bequeath unto my daughter Mittida Bezzins two Negros, Lucy and Maria, with all future Increases to her and her heirs and assigns forever — Also I give unto my said daughter Mittida my Silver Spoons to her and her heirs forever —

My Will and desire is that after all my just debts and funeral expenses are paid the residue of my property not given away by this my will to be equally divided between my two daughters Mary & Mittida to them their heirs and assigns forever —

Lastly I do nominate Constitute and appoint my Son in law Benjamin Bezzins whole and sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking and disannulling all former wills by me made testifying in a conforming this to be my only and last Will in testimony where I have set my hand & seal this 23rd day of October in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty three —

Witnessed and acknowledged by the witness to this last will & Testament

Tobias Kroonee

Also present & William Bezzins —

(To be sealed)

State of North Carolina & Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions
Jones County - } March Term 1834 -

This was the written paper setting purporting to be the last will & Testament of
Jehoshua Kenner, done the 23^d day of December AD 1833, offered to the Court for probate
by Benjamin Huggins the Executor there named, which was duly proved by the oaths
of William Huggins & Henry Bryan the subscribing witnesses thereto, and the same is found
to be executed at some time before Huggins the Executor was duly qualified, ordered that
letter testifying from to him -

Jehoshua Kenner
Huggins Esq

of Carolina.

I Henry Bryan Clerk of the Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions of Jones
County certify the witness above foregoing to be a true copy of the original will
and instrument of Jehoshua Kenner the person in said Court on a day of March
Term 1834 -

H. Bryan Esq

In the name of God Amen - I Morris Ward of Jones County being in a low
state of health but of sound mind and memory, praised be God do make and publish this
my last Will & Testament in manner following and principally I recommend my soul to Almighty
God, and my body I leave to the Earth - My worldly goods and effects I dispose of in the following
manner - first I give to my friend David W. Dudley of Craven County all my lands in Jones and
Craven Counties, said lands joining deep Gully, and being the same I have lived on for the
last fifteen or more years, further, I give to my said friend David W. Dudley, all my stock of
Cattle and Hogs for ever, and I give said Dudley all my other property of every kind and
nature and worth for ever - which said property comprising & including the whole of my Estate
both real & personal without incumbrance, except the paying of my just due debts and funeral
expenses. I give to said Dudley friend - I make and appoint said David W. Dudley
Executor to this my last Will & Testament -

Wards acknowledged & sealed the 27^d October 1834.

Morris Ward
(Sig)

In presence of -

James Marritt
Richard Richardson

of Carolina & Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions
Jones County December Term 1834 -

This was the above last will & Testament of Morris Ward the ^s exhibited in
open Court and pronounced in due form of law by the oaths of the subscribing witnesses thereto
as a record to be recorded - at some time David W. Dudley the Executor there named
read of me or took under his hands that letter Testimony from to him -

Jehoshua Kenner
Huggins Esq

This copy you may use in after

H. Bryan Esq