

- I William John of the County of Jones and the State of North Carolina (Planter) being of sound mind and memory and in a common little thanks be to god for the same do make and ordain this my last Will & Testament, In manner and form following that is to say -
- 1st - I give unto my well beloved wife Ann John five negroes named, John, James, and her three children named Mingo, Amos, Manning, also three head of Horses her choice out of my stock of Horses - six Cows & Calves, three stags, four three and two year olds one yearling of dam and one calf, eight sows & pigs and as many dry hogs as will be sufficient for her meat one year, twenty head of sheep her choice three bar ploughs three pair of traces three set of Chives, four club axes, four bleaching hoes three grubbing hoes, and as much Cotton and Lard as will be sufficient for her family one year - also one set of Carpenters tools and a Carpenters Tools, also one years provisions sufficient for her family one year - also the increase of the above named negroes to her and her heirs and assigns for ever -
 - 2nd - I leave to my beloved wife Ann John the use of my ... whomever I now live with all the privileges thereunto belonging so long as she remains my widow and no longer -
 - 3rd - I leave unto my beloved wife Ann John five negroes Old Season, Hannah, Amos, Sealah, and Jack, with all my household & kitchen furniture of every name and only such as I shall hereafter give away, to her proper use and benefit during her natural life and after her death to be equally divided between my four youngest children -
 - 4th - I give unto my beloved wife Ann John one ginea stone and a hand mill, and a set of my Pottery of every kind whatsoever for ever -
 - 5th - I give unto my beloved son Simmons John five dollars with all that I have heretofore given him to him his heirs and assigns for ever -
 - 6th - I give unto my beloved daughter Eliza Moten five dollars with the increase of all that I have heretofore given her, to her her heirs and assigns for ever -
 - 7th - I give unto my daughter Rebecca Herring two negroes named a little season and a slave with all that I have heretofore given her and other heretofore to her and her heirs & assigns for ever -
 - 8th - I give unto my beloved daughter E. B. John the following land that I purchased of Sallet Gilchrist also the land that I purchased of the heirs of Thomas Haden de? adjoining the same, also the land I purchased of Mrs. Haden adjoining the same, also sixteen acres situated in my own name adjoining the same - also some negroes named Peter, Squire, Will, Gethsemane, Ellis, Thomas, Little Parole, Ann & Jim, one young haw named Charles, four Cows & Calves, six ewes on a lamb, two feather beds & furniture and the increase of the above named negroes to her and her heirs and assigns for ever -
 - 9th - I give unto my beloved son Edwin B. John the land that I purchased of John Peter and lying on the north west side of flat swamp, also the land whomever I now live after the death of his mother, or marriage which ever may first happen, with all the residue of my lands that I have not heretofore given away also six negroes named, Peter, Tony, Sam, Minnie, Nelly, and a Charles - also one set of blacksmiths tools, two shot guns, one Quaker, one sawyers compass and implements - one silver watch, with the increase of the above named negroes to him his heirs and assigns for ever -
 - 10th - I give unto my son E. B. John two feather beds & furniture to him his heirs & assigns for ever -
 - 11th - It is my will and desire that old Mob and a slave should become a charge that my heirs shall support them their life time -
 - 12th - I desire that all the residue of my Estate to be sold by my Executors and the money over and to the use of paying of all my debts, and if there should be a balance due the Estate I desire it should be equally divided among my wife and four youngest children -
 - 13th - I hereby nominate and appoint my well beloved son in law Burrell Moten my Executor to this my last Will & Testament desiring that he may put the same into execution and I do hereby resolve and desire all other all former Wills by me heretofore made -
- In witness whereof I the said William John have

Herewith set my hand and seal this 8th day of December 1833 -
- Signa declar in premissis -

Wm. I. Ives -

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

The paper writing purporting to be the last Will & Testament of Williams Ives dec^d -
dated the 8th day of December A.D. 1833 - is offered to the Court for probate by Counsel
Wooten the executor thereof named, and the same being duly proved by the Oaths of
Fred^d. J. Butler Counselor at Law and Williams Steegins to be all one and every part thereof
is the hand writing of the said Williams Ives - and it being further proved by the
Oaths of Carolina Hargett that the same was found among the valuable papers of said
dec^d. after his death (viz). (his title deeds for land) carefully looked up in a (Drawer the
said paper writing is adjudged to be duly proved as the last Will & Testament of said
Williams Ives and is admitted to probate accordingly - at the same time Counsel
Wooten the Executor thereof named was duly qualified as Executor thereof, and it is
Ordered that letters Testamentary issue to said Counsel Wooten -

Wm. I. Ives

I Henry Bryan Clerk of the Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions of Jones
County Certify the foregoing to be a true Copy of the original Will & Testament
of Williams Ives dec^d. prima & filed in my office March 2 - 1834 -

H. Bryan