

I do remember that I Jeremiah Harris of Jones County in North Carolina, merchant being in a low state of Health that of a sound disposing mind & memory thinking of the Mortality of my Body that it is appointed for all men once to Die I have made a will and Testament in manner & form following - First of all I give my Body to be decently Buried in Friends having grounded & my Sole I commend God that gave it, and Teaching my worldly Estate my last will is that all my just Debt be paid first within convenient time after my Death. - Then I give as much of my Estate to my Love Children namely Elizabeth Mary & Anne & Joseph as may Reason Educate & Support them to be fit for business. Then I give to my beloved Wife Amelia the use of all the remainder part of my Estate during the term of her natural life & after her death and immediately after then I give the half of my Estate to be Equally divided between my self and my four Children namely as a share Elizabeth Mary Anne and Joseph Harris unto their heirs forever lawfully I appoint my Wife Amelia Executors & Administrators of my last will & Testament and ratify and confirm to be my last will & Testament and cannot alter them after and sealed in presence of witnesses the 25th of the 9th 1798 Jeremiah Harris - (Seal)
Test Amelia Sheppard -
J Sheppard

State of North Carolina

Jones County Court November Term 1798
Then was presented last will & Testament of Jeremiah Harris dec. duly proved in our Court by the oath of Thomas Sheppard one of the subscribing Witnesses and Ordered to be recorded at the same time & Amelia Harris Executor of said last will & Testament then named qualified as such. Ordered that latter Testamentary Instruments accordingly

Attest
L. Morgan Clk

In the name of God Amen I Jeremiah Harris of Jones County being weak in Body but of sound and perfect mind and memory being fully able to make and publish this my last will and Testament in manner and form following - First of all I commend my Soul to God that gave it and my Body to the Earth from whence it came to be buried at the Discretion of my Dear Wife & Executors my Will also is that all my just and lawful Debts should be paid Secondly I also give and bequeath to my well beloved Wife Fanny Harris all my Stock of Every kind of Cattle and all my household furniture and plantation tools and blacksmiths tools and one third of my Negroes to her and her heirs and assigns for ever I also desire that she should quietly have the full privilege and use of one third of my plantation and Lands adjoining thereto to wit the know live during her life also my Will and desire is that all my Debt in Subscribing and all the Lands I purport in Deed or Conveyance to be sold and also the Lands I hold adjoining Joseph Hill in Jones County I also give and bequeath to my well beloved Daughters Elizabeth Mary & Anne Harris all the remainder part of my Estate Real & Personal to be Equally Divided between them quantity and quality then the eldest daughter comes of

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or married and if either of them should die before coming of age for the other to have all her property to them and if there their and assigns for ever also if my two Daughters should both die under age my Will and desire is that my last beloved Wife Fanny should have the half of them both for her and her heirs for ever I also give to my Wife Fanny what same land age also household and about my well beloved Wife Fanny Executors and Abraham Dudley and a Abraham Dudley her and Thomas Dudley her Executors to have my last will and Testament hereby bequeathing all former Wills by me made In Witness whereof I have set my hand and seal the twenty sixth day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety Six Signed and sealed in presence of us
Wm George
Abraham Dudley
John Harrison

State of North Carolina
Jones County Court August Term 1796

Then was the foregoing last will & Testament of Jeremiah Harris dec. duly proved in open Court by the oath of William George one of the subscribing Witnesses unto said last will & Testament and at the same time Abraham Dudley and Thomas Dudley her Executors then named qualified as such. Ordered that latter Testamentary Instruments accordingly & Attest
Wm George
Abraham Dudley
John Harrison

In the name of God Amen
I William Randall of the County of Jones and State of North Carolina being weak in Body but of sound mind and memory (Being a Deaf) Do therefore this 15th day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety two make and publish this my last will and Testament in manner and form following -
Item First I give and bequeath unto my Beloved Wife Ann two Lots of Land in the Town of Southern try one I bought of Mr Joseph Leach and the other of Mr Hill with all the improvements on the same four Negroes viz George Sam Lucy and Oliver and one Slave called Phoebe and one Slave called Raul and his wife one Riding Chair all the plate she had when I married her two Beds and Furniture, one Mahogany Table and one Mahogany Tea Table two Mahogany Bed Steads one Desk and one large Trunk to her and her heirs and assigns forever and one half the Kitchen furniture
Item I give unto my Beloved Daughter Elizabeth Gray the Land and Plantation where on I now live and Twelve Negroes viz
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