

Kenneth Daniel's Will

I Kenneth Daniel of the County of Martin & State of North Carolina, being of sound mind and memory, but Considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence, do make and declare this my last will and testament in manner & form following - That is to say First, that my Executor(hereinafter named) shall pay all my just debts, house rents and to whomsoever coming, out of the moneys that may first come into his hands as a part and parcel of my estate - Item I give and bequeath to William M^c Daniel my son one negro girl named Runina & her increase, One negro boy Orace & one colt given to him & his heirs forever - Item I give and bequeath to Rosana Daniel my Daughter, One negro girl named Jane, one negro girl named Amanda & her increase & one negro boy named Lewis to her & to her heirs forever - Item I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Elizabeth Daniel all my land and plantation wherein I now live, all of my household & Kitchen furniture One Gray Mare and Mule, One buggy, one ox and all my Stock of hogs and Cattle to her during her natural life or widow hood - Item At the Death or widow hood of my wife I give the same to Wm M^c Daniel my Son all my lands & him & his heirs forever - And lastly I do hereby constitute & appoint my trust friend George C. Roberson my lawful Executor to execute this my last will and testament hereby revoking all other wills & testaments by me before made October 2nd 1861 Kenneth Daniel ^{test} ^{mark}

James & Joel } State of North Carolina Court of Pleas & Sessions
W.M. Roberson } Martin County Jan 9th 1865
Then was the written paper writing purporting to be the last will & testament of Kenneth Daniel deceased, exhibited for probate in open Court and the due execution thereof by the said Kenneth Daniel proved by the Oath and examination of James & Joel one of the Subscribing Witnesses thereto - It is therefore Considered by the Court, that the said paper writing in every part thereof is the last will and testament of the said Kenneth Daniel died on the same as aforesaid with this probate to be Recorded & filed

" W. H. Harrell Clerk

Kenneth B. Whitfield's Will

State of North Carolina Known all men by these presents, I said Kenneth B. Whitfield, being in sound mind, do this day make my last will and testament - I give to my wife Elizabeth Whitfield all of my property her like time or widow hood and thereafter to my three children James Godfrey, Kenneth Magruder, I want my land equally divided between my two Sons James Godfrey & John James - I give to my daughter Kenneth Magruder five hundred dollars to make her equal with my two Sons - I do not my wife Elizabeth Whitfield to take my business in hand and pay all my just debts I shall leave my wife Elizabeth Whitfield my Executive to my will Now set my hand and seal in presence of us December 1863

" Kenneth B. Whitfield ^{test}

October Term 1864

The foregoing paper writing, purporting to be the last will and testament of Kenneth B. Whitfield deceased was exhibited in open Court by Elizabeth Whitfield the Executing therein named, and the due execution thereof and the hand writing theretofore was proven by the Oath and examination of H. B. Roberson, H. C. Whitfield and James Colburn - It was ordered and adjudged by the Court, that said paper writing and every part thereof was the last will and testament of said Kenneth B. Whitfield - Ordered by the Court that said will & this probate be Recorded - The said Elizabeth Whitfield comes into open Court and Renounces the executorship of the Estate of Kenneth B. Whitfield deceased Oct 2nd 1864 M. H. Harrell Clerk

Abigail Burnett's Will

I Abigail Burnett of the County of Martin estate of North Carolina, being of sound & memory, but Considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence do make & declare this my last will & testament in manner & form following; that is to say - That my Executor(hereinafter named) shall provide for my body such funeral as can conveniently had at the request of my friends & relations and pay all funeral expenses to gather with my just debts, however to whomsoever owing, out of the moneys that may first come into his hands as a part or parcel of my estate I give and devise to my beloved Sister Philicia Burnett the land about her home self & have and to hold during simple life ever after her

Atigel Burnett's will Continued

And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my hus-
band Philicia Burnett my lawful Executrix to this my
last Will and Testament according to the true intent and
meaning of the same and every part and clause thereof hereby
mentioning and declaring utterly void all other wills & testaments
by me heretofore made.

In witness whereof I the said Atigel Burnett do here-
unto set my hand and seal this the day of ¹⁸⁶⁴
Signed sealed & declared by the said ^{Atigel} ^{Martha} ^{Burnett}
Atigel Burnett to be her last will and
Testament in the presence of us who at ^{Jane Burnett}
her request and in her presence do subscribe ^{her}
our names as witness thereto ^{M H Burnett} ^{Mark}
^{M R N Sherrard}

State of North Carolina

Martin County Court

April Term 1865

The foregoing paper writing purporting to be the last will
and Testament of Atigel Burnett did was produced in open
Court by Philicia Burnett the Executrix therein named & probated
and the execution thereof by the said Atigel Burnett was proved
to the satisfaction of Mr R N Sherrard and Jane Burnett subscriber
Witnessed, Acknowledged by the Court that the will out
of late he recorded ^{Wm H Narell C.R.}

Susan James' Will

State of North Carolina Martin County: Know all men by
these presents, that Susan James of the same State & County
do make this my last Will & Testament revoking all other
wills made by me at any time and declare this only to be my
last Will and Testament.

Item I give unto my Daughter Harriet Roberts all my Stock
of every kind consisting of Cattle and Sheep, also five cents
my Daughter Daniel Roberts all my Hinge-head & Kitchen
pianum - I give unto my Son Lambey James twenty five cents
I give unto my Daughter Lucy Peal twenty five cents -
I do appoint Mr L Rockwell sole Executor in witness whereof
I do hereunto set my hand and seal March 9th 1863
Susan James R Ross
Witness Thomas N Rockwell

State of North Carolina Martin County October Term 1866
The written paper writing purporting to be the last Will Testament of
Susan James was offered for probate in open Court & having executed the
same previously the death of Jas R Ross & Mrs Rockwell the subscriber witnesseth that
it is then in order to be admitted by the Court that the foregoing writing
and every part thereof is the last Will & Testament of the said Susan James
Let it goe & the probate be recorded & sealed & filed - W L Rockwell subscriber
of the above written done in the year of our Lord anno

Jurner E Barnhill's Will

in the name of God Amen. I Jurner E Barnhill of the
State of North Carolina and County of Martin being of
perfect sound mind & memory do this the 2nd day of December
in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & Sixty
make this my last Will & Testament in manner & form
as follows viz - Item 1st I bequeath unto my Mother Martha Barn-
hill the following negroes viz Rubin Harry Bristol little Harriet
the post horse named & bequeath to be held outwards the proceeds
of said Horse to go to my Mother except One hundred dollars
which I give to Priscilla Cottrell wife of A H Cottrell &
after the death of my mother I give the negroes which I have
leaved to her to my Nephew Abram Barnhill his heirs & assigns
Item 2nd I give unto the Child or Children of my Brother James C
Barnhill the following negroes viz Denscy & three children
to them and their heirs forever.

Item 3rd I bequeath unto my Sister Anna Gilbert one Negro boy named
Cecil during her life and at her death I give him to her
child etc - Item 4th I bequeath unto my Sister Susan Hickman
one Negro girl named Ann during her life at her death
I give her to her children - Item 5th I give unto Mary
Barnhill & Elizabeth Cottrell one Negro boy named Anthony to
them & their heirs forever - Item 6th I bequeath unto my Sister Dickey
Peal one Negro woman named Sarah during her life, after death

I give said Negro to her children
Item 7th I bequeath unto my Sister Sidney Pope the following negroes
viz Arthur Harriet, Charles & Dennis during her life, at her
death I give said negroes to Arnold Hopkins' children
etc & by a belt drawn partly children to them & their heirs forever
Item 8th I give unto Martha J Cottrell my Gold Watch to her son

Item 9th I give unto my Sister Liz a school in Contract of lease
containing Fourteen acres adjoining Harry Appin to her
heirs forever - (Item 10th) I give unto the Child or Children
of my Brother James C Barnhill the tract of land whenever my

Brother Samuel Barnhill formerly livid there & then his son or
Item 11th I give unto my Friend A H Cottrell all the Balance of
my property both personal & perishable & real which I have
not heretofore disposed off to him and his heirs forever.

Item 12th I hereby ordain & appoint A H Cottrell Executor of this my last
Will & Testament - In witness whereof I have hereunto set my
hand & seal the day & date first written - ^{J E Barnhill Regd}
Signed sealed in
presence of S M Culbrethbridge
J H Rhodes

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