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April Term 1834

In the name of God Amen, I, John Kelley being low of body but of sound disposing mind and memory do make and publish this my last will and Testament in manner & form following viz
 In prime, It is my will & desire that all my just debts shall be paid; And for this purpose it is my will and desire that all my lands be sold, by my Executor hereinafter mentioned, in such manner as he may think best, to wit the following tract, the tract called the Shade tract joining George Pickett and others, & my two lots in the town of Williamsburgh—
 Secondly, after paying off all my just debts, I give & bequeath all the remainder of my property to my beloved wife Elizabeth Kelley & her heirs forever.
 Thirdly, I hereby nominate and appoint my beloved friend Hardy Sathan, Executor to this my last will & Testament.
 In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my hand & seal, this 18th day of January A.D. 1834.
 Signed Sealed & delivered in the presence of us
 John B. Sade
 John Smithwick
 John Kelley & Seal

State of S. Carolina, Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions
 Martin County
 April Term 1834.
 The foregoing paper purporting to be the last will and Testament of John Kelley Esq. was produced in open Court by Hardy Sathan the Executor named therein and proved by the oath of John Smithwick one of the subscribing witnesses thereto in due form of Law whereupon or motion it was ordered to be recorded.
 Hardy Sathan, the Executor appeared in open Court and qualified as the Law directs.
 Test. M. S. Riggs Clerk

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July Term 1834

In the name of God Amen I Daniel Riggs of the State of North Carolina and County of Martin being in my perfect mind and memory do make and publish this to be my last will and Testament,
 First, of all I desire to commend my soul to God, and my body to be buried in a Christian like manner—
 As for the things of this life which it has pleased God to bless me with, I dispose of them in the following manner viz
 Item I give unto my son Martin Riggs the following tract of Land beginning at the mouth of a small Branch of the Mill Creek running up the Branch to a point thence easterly to a line a corner thence a straight line to David Jurganus line thence also David Jurganus line to Turkey Swamp thence down the Swamp to the beginning, also one year old Cott.
 Item I give unto my son Malston B. Riggs the following tract of Land beginning at a new made Creek in the Indian Branch thence down the Branch to the fork thence up the right hand fork to Dennis Riggs line thence along Dennis Riggs line to David Jurganus line, thence along David Jurganus line to a new made Creek thence along a new made Creek to the beginning also one year old Cott.
 Item I give unto my daughter Anna Jurganus one Cow, one Calf and furniture.
 Item I give unto my wife Elizabeth Riggs one Red and furniture.
 And unto my beloved wife, all within done and without that has not been mentioned her lifetime or elsewhere and at her death or on marriage to be held and equally divided between my three small children Harry, Biah & Nancy Riggs.
 It is my desire and wish for Harry and Biah, to share all the residue of my Land and that I had not mentioned lastly it is my desire and wish that Brother Joseph S. Riggs to be my Executor, April the 17th 1834.
 Signed Sealed & acknowledged in the presence of us
 Daniel B. Harrison
 David Jurganus
 Daniel Riggs
 State of North Carolina, Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions
 Martin County
 July Term 1834.
 The foregoing instrument purporting to be the last will and Testament of Daniel Riggs was exhibited in open Court & proved by the oath of David Jurganus & subscribing witnesses thereto whereupon or motion it was ordered to be recorded.
 Test. M. S. Riggs Clerk

October Term 1834

In the name of God Amen I Mary Taylor of the State of North Carolina Martin County, like of sound mind & memory (Heb. be God) do this the 7th day of October in the year of our Lord 1834, make and publish this my last will & testament in manner following that is to say

First I Give and bequeath to my niece Eviline B. Rogers one negro Boy named George, one negro Girl named Lencia, one Girl named ~~Lucy~~ ^{Lucy}, one Girl named Nancy, one Girl named Selma, one Boy named Simon, one Girl named Judy, one Boy named Gabriel, one death Pig and Harems, one Cow and one Bay Mare

Secondly I Give and bequeath to my niece Harriet Ann Taylor one negro Girl named Selma, one Boy named Washington

Thirdly I Give and bequeath to my niece Charity Dawson Taylor one negro Girl named Vinny and one named Easter

Fourthly I Give and bequeath to my niece Maria Augusta Bayless one negro boy named Luke, one negro woman for Children, Mary, Peter, Nasty, Lucinda and Hardy and Baby

Fifthly I Give to my nephew Cornelius D. Taylor one negro Boy Charles & had named George

Sixthly I Give to Richard Taylor Sr. one Boy named George

Seventhly I Give to Richard Taylor son Five dollars to be paid in money

Eighthly I Give to Richard Taylor all of my landed Estate.

Ninthly I Give to Elizabeth Taylor Five dollars to be paid in money

Tenthly I Give to Henry Taylor Ten dollars to be paid in money

Eleventh I wish all of the rest of my perishable property not given away sold and all my just debts paid and what is left I give to William W. Williams for the use of my old negroes

I do hereby nominate and appoint William W. Williams and Thomas Jones, Executors to this my last will and Testament given under my hand and seal the day and year before written

Signed in presence of
W. W. Ward
Sam^l. M. Hyman

The said Kate was entreated by me to sign —
W. W. Ward
Samuel M. Hyman

Mary Taylor

October Term 1834

State of Carolina County of ~~Rich~~ ^{Rich} Martin County
Compt of ~~Rich~~ ^{Rich} Martin County

The foregoing paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Mary Taylor was produced in open Court and proven to be the act and deed of said Mary by William W. Ward one of the subscribing witnesses thereof in due form of Law, whereupon William W. Williams and Thomas Jones the executors thereof named came forward & took the oath of qualification & it was ordered to be recorded

W. W. Ward
Samuel M. Hyman