

January Term 1837

In the name of God Amen I John Hines of the State of North Carolina and County of Martin do this day the second of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty six make and publish this my last will and testament in manner and form as follows.

Item It is my will and desire that Nancy Bryant shall have during her natural life the house where I now live in and as much of the estate lands as will make her support. I further give unto the said Nancy Bryant one negro Girl by the name of Edijs to her and her heirs forever also one piece of furniture for her and family.

And I give unto my son William I Hines the tract of Land that I purchased of James Hines and deeded to me by Edmund Griffin, also one other tract that I purchased of John C. Van Hook also one negro man Harry and one son and three children and also one negro man and Bed & furniture for him and his heirs forever.

I also give unto my son Christopher Hines the tract of Land where I now live and one other tract called the Little Land also one negro man by the name of Sewell together with the following named negroes Sedney, Mingo, Nathan, Samick, one Bed and furniture two Cows & Calves which he is to have at my death which William & Charity have received theirs.

11thly I leave unto my daughter Charity the following negro manias Mary, George, Ellick, Isaac and their increase during her natural life and I then give them to her Children. I further give to my daughter Charity one Bed and furniture and two Cows & Calves and give hundred Dollars to be raised out of my Estate to her & her heirs forever.

12thly I give unto John Bryant one negro Girl by the name of Charlotte and I further give him the Coll of my Black mare if it live if not to have a forty dollar head bought of the money raised out of my Estate.

13thly It is my will and desire that all the rest of my property that is not already given away both after my death and the profits be equally divided between my three Children William Christopher & Charity.

And I do hereby nominate and appoint my worthy sons William I Hines and Christopher Hines Executors to this my last will and Testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year first written.

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Signed sealed and delivered in presence of us
Witness -

State of N. Carolina County of Martin
John Hines

The foregoing paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of John Hines was exhibited in open Court and the same being by Edmund Griffin to be the last testament of the said John Hines executed before me only, and the Court declared that the said paper writing is well mounted to prove personal estate & ordered that the same be recorded. Whereupon W. I. Hines & Christopher Hines Executors named therein appeared & took the oaths of Executors.

Wm. I. Hines & Chas. Hines

State of North Carolina Martin County

In the name of God Amen I Lewis Harrison of the said County aforesaid being old but of my perfect mind and memory do make and ordain this to be my last will and Testament.

First of all I desire to commit 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 & ways.

Item I give unto my two daughters Lavinia Harrison and Sophia Harrison part of the Land where I now live beginning at the Road opposite James Harrison's land running along Levi Rogers' line to a Branch called the Crooked Branch, thence down the said Branch to the Neagrap Swamp thence up the said Swamp to James Harrison's line thence along his line to the first Station.

Item It is my desire and wish that my wife Lavinia Harrison to have a good maintenance out of my Estate her lifetime.

Item I give unto the Heirs of John Harrison Two Dollars.

Item I give unto my son George Harrison Two Dollars.

Item I give unto my two daughters Lavinia & Sophia Harrison one Chest my choice Table one Bed & Bed Iron, also one better Bedstead & furniture to each of my daughters Lavinia & Sophia Harrison.

Item I give unto my daughter Corina White one feather Bed.