

now comes to my mind & memory of calling to Recollection the mortality of my body & that it is appointed for all men once to die. Do command my soul to the Almighty God who gave it, send my body to the dust to be buried at the discretion of my executors hereafter left, appointed, and concerning my worldly property I declare as in the following manner viz
Item. I give & bequeath unto my loving wife Anna Christenbury all the real & personal property that I am now possessed of being past & passed therefrom clearing her natural life; Then to be equally divided between my son Joseph & my Daughter Sally except the Land I now live on, I do allow & set my will that the said Land shall by my son Joseph to him and his heirs, even after the decease of my loving wife Anna And lastly I do constitute & appoint my true & trusty son Joseph my executor to execute this my last will and Testament, hereby revoking all former wills, Testaments by me made, testifying this & none other to be my last will and Testament; The witness whereof I have caused to set my hand
And the day ¹⁸ Mecklenburg Co: NC Wills 1765-1844

In presence of

James Christenbury,

Eliz Harris

Nicholas Christenbury (Signed)

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In the name of God amen. I James Christenbury of the County of Mecklenburg & State of N^e Carolina, being in my usual health and of sound & disposing mind & memory sensible of the mortality of life & the certainty of death, Do hereby make and publish this my last will & Testament. First I recommend my soul to God that gave it under the firm hope of a glorious resurrection, my body will be interred in the grave & my executors will see my Burial conducted in a decent and Christian like manner, And as touching such worldly Goods as it has pleased God in his kind providence to bestow me with I dispose of as follows.

First It is my will that all my just Debts be fully & prompt paid by my executors herein after named.

Item I give & bequeath unto my son in law James Gathrin one Volume
of Stael's works & one Volume to each of his grand children in my
Family, Robert, Susannah, Elizabeth & Jane to be purchased at the
expence of my Estate by my Executrix.

Item I give & bequeath unto my daughter Agness Dinslop wife to Mr.

John Tap one Volume of Stael's & one Volume of Newtons Works -

Item I give & bequeath unto my son in law David Parks one
Volume of Stael's Works which he has already received

Item I give & bequeath unto my two Grand Daughters Mrs Anna
& Rebecca Gibson Parks Daughters of my deceased Daughter
Mary Parks formerly wife of David Parks Sixty Dollars
to remain in the hands of my Executrix bearing Interest from
my decease until the same to the age of Twenty one years
thence to be divided there & there alike -

Item I give & bequeath unto my Daughter Rebecca Parks wife of
John Parks one Volume of Stael's & one Volume of Newt.
Works also my bed, bedsted, curtains & furniture -

Item I give & bequeath ^{Mecklenburg Co NC Wills 1765-1844 Hartley Devise wife}
Great Davis all the Books she hath in her possession - also
one Negro girl named Calie which she hath already in her
possession also one Negro girl named Lucy now in my posse-
ssion with due indecency to her & her Heirs forever -

Item I give & bequeath unto my son Charles Barnes all that part
of my Stock of Horses, cattle, Sheep & Hogs to the Household
furniture & farming Tools which he hath now in his posse-
ssion also the principal of one hundred dollars for the summons
of five hundred Dollars dated June the 8th 1810 -

Item I give & bequeath unto my son David Barnes all that part
of my Stock of Horses, cattle, Hogs & Sheep with Household
furniture, furniture, with the farming tools which he had
now in his possession also the principal of one hundred dollars
for the summons of five hundred Dollars dated June 8th 1810
also it is my desire that my son David Barnes
be cause to man my Negro man Jason at the price of five hundred
Dollars to be paid eighteen months after my decease, also
that my Negro man Ambrose under the care of said

Item I give & bequeath unto my daughter Agness Dunlap wife to Mr.
David Dunlap one Volume of Hawks Home Edition of Newtons Works -

Item I give & bequeath unto my Son in Law David Parks one
Volume of Hawks Works which he has already received

Item I Give & bequeath unto my two Grand Daughters Martha &
Rebecca Gibson Parks Daughters of my Deceased Daughter
Mary Parks formerly wife of David Parks Sixty Dollars
to remain in the hand of my Executors bearing Interest from
my decease until the time to the age of Twenty one years
then to be divided there & there aliter -

Item I give & bequeath unto my Daughter Rebecca Parks wife of
John Parks one Volume of Hawks & one Volume of Hawk
Works also my bed, bedsted, curtains & furniture -

Item I give & bequeath unto my Daughter Martha Davis wife
of Israel Davis all the Books she hath in her possession - also
one Negro girl named Celia which she hath already in her
possession also one Negro girl named Lucy now in my posse-
ssion with her in trust to her & her Heirs forever -

Item I give & bequeath unto my Son Charles Barnes all that part
of my Stock of Horses, cattle, Hogs & Sheep with Household
furniture & Farming Tools which he hath now in his posse-
ssion also the principal of one note due me for the sum
of five hundred Dollars dated June the 8th 1810 -

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Item I give & bequeath unto my son David B Barnes all that part
of my Stock of Horses, cattle, Hogs & Sheep with Household
kitchen furniture, with the Farming tools which he had
now in his possession also the principal of one note due me
for the sum of five hundred Dollars dated June the 8th 1810 also it is my desire that my son David B Barnes
be entitled to my negro man Sam at the sum of six hundred
Dollars to be paid eighteen months after my decease, also
I leave my old negro man Ambrose under the care of said
David Barnes to be well taken care of by his son

Item I give & bequeath unto my Captain Daughter Elizabeth
Kearon Williams one further Bed, bedding, Pillows, Rugs

and Blanket & one quilt, one covering bed, decent bedding
in which books there yet remain, this amounts to more than
her freedom

Item I give unto my Grand Daughter Mary Dunlap one boy more
named Pegg -

Item I give unto my Grand Daughters Agness Dunlap, Rebecca Parks
Vickie & Anna Davis each the sum of one hundred & fifty dollars
Item It is my desire that descent heretofore be preserved at discretion
of my Executors & item of these be any remainder of my Estate
it is my desire that it be equally divided among my five
children here after named viz Agness Dunlap, Rebecca Parks
Vickie Davis, Charles Burns & David Burns then & then alive

Item I do hereby constitute & appoint my son in law William
Dunlap, Charles Burns & David Burns Executors of this my
last Will and hereby revoking & cancelling all former Wills
whatever, Publishing & declaring this to be my last Will &
Testament In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand
Seal this 25th Mecklenburgh Co. NC Wills #765-1844, the 1st day of 1821 and
of the Independence of the United States of America the 37th
Signed sealed published & acknowledged by:

Alexander Burns the above named Testator
& for his last will & Testament in the
presence of us

Henry Neffey
Jas C Neffey
Henry Neffey Esq. }

Alexander Burns (L.S.)

22 In the Name of God Amen I Charles Cook of the County of
Mecklenburgh State of North Carolina being old and infirm
made & remarrying before the first Doth the third day of August
in the year of our Lord 1821 Do make & publish this my last
will & Testament in manner following that is to say
First I give & bequeath my soul to God that gave it, &
my body to be buried at the discretion of my Executors
2dly I give & bequeath to my beloved wife Polly a bed & furniture
there to be paid for the same - Due the 1st