

Cornelius Tyson Will
State of North Carolina
Moore County

In the Name of God amen
Know all Men by these presents that
I Cornelius Taylor of the State aforesaid
above written County of sound mind and
Memory, and Consciences of ~~my~~ the concordancy
of my Heart, if instance do make evident
I will declare this my last Will and
Testament hereby revoking all preceding
and Concluding all former Wills and
Testaments I have made by me in manner
and form as follows.

First I give my Soul to God who
gave it, also desire that my body shall
be decently buried in manner suited
to the wishes of my friends, and that my
Executor hereinafter named shall defray my
funeral expenses, together with all my debts
if any, out of the first Monday that my
Couse into her hands as part and parcel
of my estate, hereby authorizing her
to sell and convey so much of my private
property (not otherwise devised), as may be
necessary of at all to carry out the wish
herein.

I give and bequeath to my wife
Mary Taylor the sum of five hundred
Dollars \$500. per choice of a bedstead
bed, and bed Clothing, one dressing
table, one Wardrobe, and
one Bureau, all for her sole and
private use and benefit with the
right to sell, grant, give or bequeath
them as may best serve her interest
or pleasure.

I also give and bequeath to my
said wife Mary to have and to

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hold during the term of his natural
life, after the vest and residue of my
property and estate comprising the
plantation on which I now reside together
With all my perishable property household
and kitchen furniture, Plates and
horns, farming utensils Carriages, Wagons,
Carts and Stock & Materials of every
kind and description (except as summed
as may be necessary to be sold to defray
my just ~~and~~ indebtedness together with
all bond Money and Credit of which I
may die possessed).

Item my further will and desire is that
and after the death of my wife Mary
my Executor herein after named shall
 dispose of the residue of all the property and
estate herein bequeathed to her during the
term of her Natural life in manner
according to his judgment, and divide
the proceeds of the same fairly and equally
between the following named Persons, to wit
my Niece Elizabeth Bach Daughter of George
and Mary Ann Wilcox my Grand Niece
Cornelia Robert Daughter of John and
Margaret Paul my Grand Niece Caroline
Daughter of Loftin R and Nancy Pratt
and Cordwainer Abury, Son of Eli A
and Margaret Ann Abury, for their own
proper use and benefit use and behoof forever.

Lastly I hereby nominate Cordwainer
and appoint Eli A Brown as my lawful
Executor to all intent and purpose to
execute this my last will and Testament
and in case of his death before the
estate should be settled I hereby
appoint my nephew John Borroughs
of Orange County to act

Cornelius Tyson Will
in his stead

In testimony whereof I do hereunto set my hand and seal to this my last Will and Testament this fifth day of December A.D. 1865
Signed Sealed in presence of

The word mark entered over 23rd
line of second page before the signing
and sealing hereof

Donald MacRae

G Willcox Cornelius Tyson (Seal)

North Carolina Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions,
Moore County 3 January Term 1867

This paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Cornelius Tyson dec'd is exhibited in Open Court by Eli A Brown the Executor therein named and the due execution thereof by the said Cornelius Tyson is proved by the oaths of Donald MacRae and G Willcox the subscribing witnesses hereof and it is therefore ordered by the Court that the said paper writing and every part thereof be the last will and testament of the said Cornelius Tyson and the same is ordered to be recorded & filed and thenceforward the said Eli A Brown Executor as of record duly qualified as such by taking the Oath required by law

A. H. McNeill, C.C.

Effie McNeel's Will

I Effie McNeel of the County of Moore and 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 and form following to wit

I wish that my Executor herein after named shall pay all my funeral expenses together with my just debts to whomsoever due out of any money that may just come into his hands as part or parcel of my Estate item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Effie McNeel my Negro Girl Slave Lucy and all the circumstances that she may hereafter have together with my tin safe to be hers and at her disposal

Item. I give and bequeath to my son Will McNeel the sum of fifty dollars to be his right and property to be paid to him by my Executor out of any monies that may come into his hands of my Estate.

Item. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Eliza Kelly wife of Alexander Kelly the sum of One hundred Dollars to her to her executors and administrators forever to be paid as aforesaid.

Item. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Mariah Shields wife of Benjamin Shields the sum of One hundred Dollars to her and her personal representatives forever to be paid to her as aforesaid

Item. I give and bequeath to my daughter Margaret Caroline Shields the sum of One hundred Dollars also my Blue Chest and Red Table to be hers and her absolute disposal forever

Item. I give and bequeath unto my grand daughter Mary McDonald wife of Alexander McDonald and daughter of my deceased