

and dated this 4th day of February in the year of our lord one
 thousand seven hundred and ninety ^{four} ~~one~~ ^{mark} Thomas X Hart Sen. (Seal)

Signed in the presence of us
 Lewis Vick, James Evans, Ann Melton.

Nash County

November term, 1794

The foregoing will was duly proven in open court by the oath of
 Lewis Vick a subscribing witness thereto and on motion ordered to be
 recorded.

Attest, Wm Hall, C.C.

and is registered in obedience to the above order.

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In The Name of God, Amen I Benjamin Barnes of Nash County and State
 of North Carolina, being weak in body but of perfect mind and memory
 thanks be to God for the same, and knowing that it is appointed
 for all men once to die do make and ordain this my last will and
 testament in manner and form following viz:

Imprimis: I desire my just debts to be paid.

Item: I give and bequeath to my son Demsey Barnes a parcel
 of land lying on the north side of the great Branch beginning at
 the mouth of a small branch running out of the great Branch above
 Willie Bunns new cut path andth course to Benjamin Barnes line, and all
 the upper part of said land I give to my son Demsey Barnes, to him
 his heirs and assigns forever.

Item: I give and bequeath all the rest of my lands after reserving
 the use of the same ^{to} my wife during life or widowhood to my two sons
 Edwin Barnes and Benjamin Barnes, Junr. to be equally divided between
 them their heirs and assigns forever,

Item: I lend to my loving wife Charity the use of my land and
 plantation whereon I now live, during life or widowhood, also one
 negro man named Hardy during life, one negro boy named Pomp for the term
 of twelve years.

Item: I also lend to my loving wife Charity during life or
 widowhood one gray mare and one gray filley four cows and three
 calves four feather beds and furniture three sows and piggs four sheats
 all my old corn and all my wheat and all my standing crop of all kinds
 accept 24 barrells of corn reserved for the fating of a parcel of
 hogs, also I lend to my wife charity my bason fat two pots one duch
 oven, one frying pan three basons two dishes six plates all ^{my} spoons all
 my knives and forks my chairs one table, one chest all my flax and
 cotton wheels and cards one meal sifter, one bread tray one meal barrell
 one ^{box iron} basket, one hacket two axes one grubing hoe two p'aw hoes. and
 frames and one small churn one mans saddle one hunting saddle and bridle
 one tub one pail two piggons four sides of leather all my geese and half

all my ~~geese and half~~ the other ~~four~~ one hive and bees two broad
hoes one guardin hoe.

Item: I will and desire that my negro pat And my negro Boy Lewis
be hired for the term of Twelve years.

Item: I give and bequeath after my wifes death or marriage one ne-
gro man named Hardy to my son Demsey Barnes to him his heirs and
assigns forever.

Item: I give and bequeath to my son Edwin after the term of Twelve
years one negro boy named Pomp to him his heirs and assigns forever.

Item: I give and bequeath to my son Benjamin after the term of twelve
years one negro boy named Lewis to him his heirs and assigns for
ever.

Item: I give and bequeath after the term of twelve years to my
daughter Rhoda one negro woman named pat to her and her heirs and
assigns forever..

Item: I willand desire that all the money arising from the hire
of said negros for the term of twelve years be equally divided between
my four daughters Rhoda Morning, Rachel and Delilah them their heirs and
assigns forever,

Item: I give and bequeath to my four daughters Rhoda ,Morning,
Rachel, and Delilah after my wifes death all the estate I have left
to her during life excepting the negroes to be equally divided between
my four daughters Rhoda , Morning, Rachel and Deliah then their heirs
and assigns forever.

Item: I will and desire that all the rest of my estate not already
mentioned in this will be equally divided between my four daughters
and my two youngest sons to wit Edwin, Benjamin, Rhoda, Morning,
Rachel and Delilah them their heirs and assigns for ever .

Item: I do hereby constitute and appoint my loving wife Charity
and my Bro. William Barnes executors of this my last will and testa-
ment revoking and disanuling all former wills by me made publishing
this and no other to be my last will and testament in presence of

signed in presence of
Redmun Bunn
Samuel Skinner
James Mullins

This 29 August 1794.

Benjamin Barnes (Seal)

Nash County

November Term 1794

The forego ng will was duly proven in open court by the oath of
Redmund Bunn a subscribing witness thereto and on motion ordered
to be recorded.

Attest. Wm Hall, C.C.

and is registered in obedience to the above order.

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