

and is recorded

Attest F.M. Taylor, C.C.C.

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In the Name of God Amen. I Barbara Arrington of Nash County, North Carolina, being of sound and disposing mind and memory but feeble in body, do this thirteenth day of January in the year of our lord eighteen hundred and forty eight make and publish this my last will and testament in manner and form following viz: I give and bequeath to my brother Francis Wright the sum of two hundred dollars. The balance of my estate of every description I give to my daughters Mary S. Williams to be equally divided, to them and their heirs forever. I do nominate and appoint my son in law Archibald H. Arrington executor to this my last will in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this day and year above written.

Witness
Jno Arrington her
F.M. Taylor (Seal)
State of North Carolina Nash County court of pleas and quarter sessions
Feb term 1848

The foregoing paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Barbara Arrington Deceased is offered for probate and duly proved in open court on oath by the subscribing witnesses thereto, and is ordered to be recorded.

Attest F.M. Taylor, C.C.C.
and is recorded Attest F.M. Taylor, C.C.C.

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In the Name of God Amen. I Margaret Mercer of Nash County, State of North Carolina being in proper health of body mind and memory have thought proper to make publish and ordain this my last will and testament as in manner and form following viz:
Item: I give and bequeath unto my grand child Eliza Cath Jane Mercer the daughter of Thomas Mercer one feather bed and furniture and one chest.

Item: I give and bequeath unto my grand child James An Mercer the daughter of Thomas Mercer one feather bed and furniture and one chest.
Item: I give and bequeath unto Rhoda Mercer the wife of Thomas Mercer one side saddle and one loom and one blue painted table and one press and one pair of cart wheels and one woolen wheel and two tubs and one water pail and one skillet and three dishes and one dozen plates and five bowls and three jugs and one black bottle and one tickler and one decanter, two flat irons.
Item: I give and bequeath unto Thomas Mercer all my stock of whatsoever sort or manner it may be I owe to him and his heirs forever; and lastly I constitute nominate and appoint Thomas Mercer executor of this my last will and testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 30 day of October one thousand eight hundred and forty seven.

Signed sealed and acknowledged
in the presence of us

her
Margaret Mercer (Seal)
Mark

James F Mercer
Lazarus Cook

State of North Carolina court of pleas and quarter sessions
Nash County Feb term, 1848

The foregoing paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Margaret Mercer Deceased is offered for probate and duly proven in open court on oath by the subscribing witnesses thereto, and is ordered to be recorded.

Attest F.M. Taylor, C.C.C.
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In the Name of God Amen. I David Winborne of the county of Nash and State of North Carolina, being low in body but in sound mind and memory thank the Lord for his mercy do know that it is appointed unto for men to die do make and ordain this my last will and testament and first I commit my spirit to God that give it and my body to the dust from whence it was taken to be buried in a christian like manner. Next to that it is my desire that all my natural debts that I leave unsettled at my death should be paid as soon as convenient.

Item: I give to my beloved wife Isly Winborne one feather bed, bedstead and furniture, one blue chest one cow and calf one yearling two sows and five head of sheep two pine tables and all the water vessels belonging to the household and I further give her five dollars in money; and it is my desire that my wife together with my executor call upon some two judicious husbandmen of good judgment to assist them in laying off to my beloved wife and her family out of the crop and stock on hand one years provision. Beside the property given I now lend to my beloved wife during her natural life or widowhood the following property viz: one cow and calf one yoke of steers and cart and wheels one horse or mare her own choice out of my stock of horses one folding walnut table I also lend her one loom and gear and one wheel and cards one dutch oven two jugs furthermore I lend her that tract of land whereon I live separate from the land I bought of Hardy Bridgen together with my Grist Mill with all the appurtenances thereunto belonging. I also lend to my wife two negroes one by the name of Ben one by the name of Jacob nevertheless the nature of the loan of the last pieces of property mentioned is such as necessarily render it so with the consent of my wife my executor may sell either part or all of last pieces of property mentioned nevertheless if such sales should be affected in my wife's single life time she is to be entitled to one seventh part of the net proceeds of such sale therefore the loan is such as not to prevent my son John T. from making any sort of improvement on the land so as not to interfere with the farm of his mother.

The following estimated amount of next five legacies which I have given in advance in which there may be some very small incorrectness as it respects the precise amount mentioned same may be a little more and some a little less but for my own satisfaction and for the nearest approach to Justice that I can come I have estimated them all at five hundred dollars each. I have given unto my beloved son James Winborne in land and another property \$50 to him and his heirs forever. I have given unto my beloved son Josiah Winborne in land and other property five hundred dollars to him and his heirs forever. I have given unto my beloved son Ivy F. Winborne in land and other property five hundred dollars to him and his heirs forever. Item: I have given to my beloved son David Winborne in land and other property five hundred dollars to him and his heirs forever. Item: I have given unto my beloved daughter Melany Bazzell in land and other property five hundred dollars to her and her heirs forever. Item: I have given unto my son William Winborne beside what I have given him already I now give him in money three hundred and seventy dollars to him and his heirs forever. Unto my beloved daughter Nancy Williams beside what I have given her I now give her in money four hundred dollars to her and her heirs forever.

Item: Unto my beloved daughter Mary Winborne beside what I have given her I now give her in money four hundred dollars in money to her and her heirs forever. Item: I now give unto my daughter Eliza C. Winborne one feather bed, bedstead and furniture one hunting saddle and four hundred and thirty three dollars in money to her and her heirs forever.

I now give unto my daughter Martha A. Winborne, one feather bed and bedstead and furniture and four hundred and seventy five dollars in money to her and her heirs forever. I now give unto my beloved son John I. Winborne one filly called the Joyner filly and one saddle one shot gun all my cooper shovels and tools one tract of land I bought of Hardy Bridgen I give to him and his heirs and all the land whereon I live and the grist mill with all the appurtenances thereunto belonging at his mother's marriage or death. I now give unto my beloved daughter Isly Jane Winborne one feather bed and bedstead and furniture and four hundred and seventy five dollars in money to her and her heirs forever for it is my desire that if the first sales should be found deficient in raising money for all the legacies Mary, Eliza C, Martha A., and Isly Jane for it is my desire that the four legatees mentioned should divide or share the overplus after paying William and Nancy their legacies it is also my desire that when ever the loan property comes into my hands that after supplying the deficiency of the legacies last mentioned that the surplus left if any, should be equally divided between my son Josiah and the heirs of my son Ivy I. Winborne, and Melany Bazzell my daughter Mary and my son David and my daughter Eliza C and my daughter Martha A. and my son John I. and my daughter Isly Jane. I also do ordain and appoint my son Josiah my executor whole and sole to execute this my last will and testament and it is my desire that all the residue of my property not given away or loaned in this will should be sold with the exceptions of my religious books.

And I do hereby revoke make null and void all other wills by me made heretofore this being my last will and testament.

only will. Whereunto I now set my hand and affix my seal this the 8th day of December in the year of our lord 1847.
 the presence of us
 William Hare
 Winton H Godwin

David Winberne (Seal)

State of North Carolina court of pleas and quarter session
 Nash county
 February term 1848

The foregoing paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of David Winberne deceased is offered for probate and duly proven in open court on oath by the subscribing witnesses thereto and is ordered to be recorded.
 Attest F.M. Taylor, C.C.C.
 and is recorded Attest F.M. Taylor, C.C.C.

In the Name of God Amen. I Kelly Rawls of Hilliards on Nash county North Carolina, being of sound and disposing mind and memory, but weak of body and knowing the uncertainty of my earthly existence, do this twenty-sixth day of November in the year of our lord eighteen hundred and forty seven, make and publish this my last will and testament in manner and form following: viz: I leave to my father David Rawls for his support, my plantation known as the Dozier place on which he now lives during his life, and if he should die before my mother Sally Rawls, then I leave the same to her for support during her life and at the death of both, I wish it sold on such credit not exceeding three years as my executors may deem best. It is my wish that Mrs. Eliza Harris shall have the privilege of occupying the house where she now lives and one acre of land around it, during her life, or widowhood and at her death or marriage it is to return to the original tract and go to the purchaser whereon he may be, of the land on which I now live. It is my desire that my executors hereafter to be named shall have the discretionary privilege of selling privately on such credit as they may deem best, not exceeding three years, all my stock of goods on hand and county produce belonging to the store; and to leave out for the same period any not to exceed three years, the storehouse and cotton in to whoever may purchase the stock of goods to anywhere person. I further desire that all the balance of my estate of every description consisting of the land whereon I now live, the small residence I lately occupied known as the old home, all my negroes about eighteen in number, with their increase five shares of stock in Wilmington and Raleigh rail road company, stock of every description with household and kitchen furniture, be sold at such time within three years and on such credit not exceeding three years, as my executors may deem most to the advantage of my estate the sales to be public after due notice and the proceeds arising from such sales, together with all moneys due me by notes, accounts or otherwise and also the proceeds of the sale of the land loaned to my father and mother, I give and bequeath to my wife Mary and my two children Sally Ann and Cornelius to be equally divided between them, one third to each, to them and their heirs forever. As my estate will not probably be settled and distributed sooner than three years, it is my wish that my wife and children shall in mean time be supported out of the common funds in such manner as they have heretofore been accustomed to. If either of my children Sally Ann or Cornelius should die without leaving lawful issue, her or him surviving then my will is that the survivor shall have all I have given to the one so dying. I hereby appoint my friend Joshua Watson and Doc. John Arrington executors to this my last will and testament, in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this day and year above written. Kelley Rawls (Seal)

Thos. Carrington
 John T. Watson.
 State of North Carolina court of pleas and quarter session
 Nash county
 February term, 1848
 The foregoing paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Kelly Rawls deceased was offered for probate and duly proven in open court on oath by the subscribing witnesses thereto and is ordered to be recorded.
 Attest F.M. Taylor, C.C.C.
 and is recorded. Attest F.M. Taylor, C.C.C.

In the Name of God Amen. I John Sherrod being unmarried but of sound mind and do this day 11th of April in the year of our lord one thousand eight hundred and forty eight do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following. First That my executor herein after named shall provide a decent burial suitable to my body and at the discretion of my wife and pay all of my just debts my stock of all kind must be sold to pay my just debts bequeaths. Item: I give and bequeath to my wife Anselina all the rest of my property after paying my just debts including every thing leaving Fridgen Manning as my executor to do and to act as he may think most advantageous to the interest of my wife Anselina.
 signed, before the subscribing witness John T. Sherrod (Seal)
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 William H Mathes x his mark. Evert Mathes x his mark.

State of North Carolina, court of pleas and quarter session
 Nash county May Term 1848

The foregoing paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of J.W. Sherrod was offered for probate and duly proven in open court on oath by the subscribing witnesses thereto and is ordered to be recorded.
 Attest J.W. Bryant, C.C.C.
 and is recorded. Attest J.W. Bryant, C.C.C.

In the Name of God Amen. I Micajah Ricks of the County of Nash and State of North Carolina being in health and perfect mind and memory thanks be to God calling to mind the mortality of my body, and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my last will and testament, and as it has pleased God to bless me in life with worldly estate I divide and dispose of the same in manner following to wit: I give to my beloved son Micajah Ricks all my land and plantation lying on Sapponey Creek formerly the land of Ruffin H Ricks by him freely to possess and enjoy. I also give him four negroes named as follows: Patience Martain Wright and Jane and their increase. Item: I give to my daughter Appy Ann Ricks all my land between the little swamp and toisnot swamp including the plantation whereon I now live. I also give her two negroes by the names of Burrell and Hester and their increase by her freely to possess and enjoy. Item: I lend to my daughter Aquilla Ann Vick all my land lying on the north side of the little swamp and Toisnot swamp I also lend to her two negroes named Minor and Sally and their increase by her freely to possess and enjoy during her natural life and after her death I give the above lent land and negroes and their increase to all the children born after my death equally to be divided between them. Item: I give to them each of Aquilla Ann Vick, Micajah Ricks and Appy Ann Ricks money to pay for each of them a mourning suit of cloths from toe to crown of the first choice. Item, that I give the residus of my estate to be divided between Micajah Ricks Appy Ann Ricks and Aquilla Vick my grandson. The 1st day of October 1841.
 Robert D Deans
 G.W. Ward.
 E. Ricks

State of North Carolina, court of pleas and quarter session
 Nash county May term 1848
 The foregoing paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Micajah Ricks deceased was duly proven in open court on oath of the Robert D Deans and G.W. Ward the subscribing witnesses thereto and is ordered to be recorded.
 Attest Jno W Bryant, C.C.C.

In the Name of God Amen. I William A. Pope of the County of Wakecombe and State of North Carolina, being of sound mind and memory, but considering the certainty of death and the uncertainty of the time thereof, do make and ordain this to be my last will and testament in manner and form following, to wit: I give and bequeath to my wife, Mary Ann Pope, all my property both real and personal in case I die leaving no child or children but in case of leaving a child or children at my death or born afterwards, it is my will and desire that the disposal of my property be left to the law and the statute of distributions. I hereby appoint William T. Dorth, executor of this my last will and testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 5th day of January, 1848.

Witnesses
 W.A. Pope (Seal)
 Thomas Pope.

State of North Carolina, court of pleas and quarter session
 Nash county August term 1848
 The foregoing paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of W.A. Pope was duly proven in open court on oath of Thomas Pope and Kindred Pope the subscribing witnesses thereto and is ordered to be recorded.
 Attest Jno W Bryant, C.C.C.
 and is recorded. Attest Jno W Bryant, C.C.C.

In the Name of God Amen I David Winstead of the county of Nash and State of North Carolina, being of perfect mind and memory thanks be to God for his blessing calling to mind the mortality of my mortal body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die I make and ordain this my last will and testament. First I give my soul to God who gave it and my body to the earth to be buried in a christian like manner at the direction of my executors as touching my worldly goods that I have pleased God to bless me with. I dispose of them in manner and form following to wit: I give and bequeath to my wife Betsey Winstead eight negroes to wit: Lewis Amy Charles, Cherry and her children Neverdon, Buck, Lucy and Betty together with their increase to her and her heirs forever. I lend to my wife Betsey Winstead the land and plantation whereon I now live during her natural life adjoining John Farmer and others on the south side of Tar River containing five hundred and thirty two acres and after her death I give and bequeath to the same to my two sons