

and is recorded in obedience to the above order.

Attest Wm Hall, C.C.

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In the Name of God Amen. I Nancy Joyner of the County of Nash and State of North Carolina being sick in body but of disposing mind and memory do make and ordain this my last will and testament in form and manner following to wit. I return my soul to God that gave it and my body to be buried at the discretion of my executors hereafter named.

Item: My will and desire is that all my just debts be paid out of such part of my property as my executors shall think best.

Item: I give and bequeath to my only daughter M.urning Joyner and to her heirs begotten other body of any if none former to dispose of the whole as she pleases the whole of my property in doors and out doors to her and such heirs forever after my decease.

Item: I appoint my true friend William Lindsey my whole and sole executor I have hereunto set my hand and seal this July 20 day 1815. Signed, sealed and acknowledged in presents of

Test. Bennett Joiner
her
Mary Pittman
mark.
Nash County

August session 1815

The within was duly proven in open court by the oath of Bennett Joiner a subscribing witness thereto and ordered to be recorded.

Attest. Wm Hall, C.C.

and is registered in obedience to the above order.

Attest. Wm Hall, C.C.

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This may certify that all the property I possess my will and desire is that my brother John Hammons should have and enjoy to his proper use forever that is if I never return from this town that I am now going to serve for Sam Wick as one of the militia of Nash county to wit: one iron grey filley, about six months old in possession of father Burwell Hammons also one note of thirteen dollars fifty cents due from Elizabeth Turlington also one note of ten dollars due from Duncan Ricks and Abraham Ricks also one note of four dollars and 50 cts due from Whitwill Ricks Abraham Ricks also my will and desire is that my father Burrell Hammons should take all the above named articles and keep them for my brother John Hammons and to put them to interest in the best manner he can until my brother should arrive to the age of twenty one years or marry's should I never return witness my hand and seal this 24th day of September. 1814.

P Westray Jurat.
Nash County

August session 1815

Willie Hammons (Seal)

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The within will was duly proven in open court by the oath of Sam Westray and ordered to be recorded. Attest Wm Hall, C.C. and is recorded in obedience to the above order.

Attest. Wm Hall, C.C.

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In the Name of God Amen. I William Powell of the County of Nash being of sound and perfect mind and memory (blessed be God) do this 22nd day of November in the year of our Lord 1814 make and publish this my last will and testament in manner following that is to say, First: I give and bequeath to my beloved wife (after my just debts being first paid) all my estate of every kind during her natural life or widowhood and at the expiration thereof or at the full age of my youngest child for my wife to have a child's part and the balance to be equally divided between my two children Elizabeth and Mary Ann Powell.

And I hereby make and ordain my friend James Williams Executor and my wife Polly Powell executrix of this my last will and testament. In witness whereof I the said William Powell have to this my last will and testament set my hand and seal this the day and year above written.

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the said William Powell the testator as his last will and testament in the presence of us, who were present at the time of the signing and sealing thereof.

Wm Powell (Seal)

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Ethelred Edwards.
Ratchford Valentine
mark.

August session 1815

The foregoing will was duly proven in open court by the oath of Ethelred Edwards a subscribing witness thereto and ordered to be recorded.

Test. Wm Hall, C.C.

and is recorded in obedience to the above order.

Test. Wm Hall, C.C.

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In the Name of God amen I George Edwards of Nash County being of sound mind and perfect memory, blessed be God, do this 6th day of September in the year of our Lord 1815 make and publish this my last will and testament in manner following that is to say, first I give and bequeath to my son Ethelred Edwards two hundred dollars to him and his heirs.

Item: I give and bequeath to my son Henry Edwards all my lands and plantations all my working tools my crop that now growing to him and his heirs forever.

Item: I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary Edwards one feather bed and furniture to her and her heirs forever.

Item: I give and bequeath to my daughter Lucy Edwards one feather bed and furniture to her and her heirs forever.

Item: I give and bequeath to my daughter Betsey H. Edwards one feather bed and furniture to her and her heirs forever.

Item: I give and bequeath to my daughter Sally Edwards one feather bed and furniture to her and her heirs forever.

My will and desire is that my stock of cattle to be equal divided between my four daughters Mary, Lucy, Betsey H. and Sally Edwards and my will and desire is that after my just debts are paid all the rest and residue of my estate equally divided between my five daughters to wit Mary, Lucy, Betsey H. and Sally Edwards and Nancy Barrett and I hereby make and ordain my son Henry Edwards and Philanders Tisdale executors to this my last will and testament In witness whereof I the said George Edwards have to this my last will and testament set my hand and seal the day and year first above written.

Signed, sealed, published and

declared in the presence of us who were presents
Elias Barrett
Guilford Whitfield
John Braswell

George Edwards (Seal)

Nash county

November session 1815

The foregoing will was duly proven in open court by the oath of Elias Barrett and John Braswell two subscribing witnesses thereto and on motion ordered to be recorded.

Attest. Wm Hall, C.C.

and is registered in obedience to the above order.

Attest. Wm Hall, C.C.

On the Name of God Amen. I Polley Barnes of Nash County and State of North Carolina being weak of body but in possession of my right mind and memory blessed be God calling to mind the mortality of my body and that all men must die, I the said Polley Barnes do this twenty third day of September one thousand eight hundred and fifteen make and ordain this my last will and testament in the form and manner following viz: It is my desire that my body be decently buried at the discretion of my friends and executors and as for such worldly goods as hath been pleased God to bless me with I dispose of in the following manner. first my desire is that all my just debts be paid.

Item: I give to my nephew Burwell Barnes all my money and all my notes and one feather bed and all my bed furniture one cow and earlin one pewter dish two puter basons two puter plates to him and his heirs forever.

Item: I give all the remainder of my estate to my brother Jacob Barnes, children to be equally divided between them all except Burwell Barnes, to their heirs and assigns

assigns forever.

Item. I do ordain and appoint my brother Jacob Barnes my sole executor to this my last will and testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year above written, signed, sealed, and acknowledged in the presence of us.

Willie Bunn
James Permunter
Nancy Barnes

her
Polly x Barnes (Seal)

mark.

Nash county

November session 1815

The within will was duly proven in open court by the oath of Willie 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.

Attest. Wm Hall, C.C.

In the Name of God Amen. I Randolph Harris, of Nash County and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and disposing memory do this 30th day of May in the year of our lord One thousand eight hundred and fifteen make and ordain this to be my last will and testament in manner and form following.

First: I give and bequeath to my daughter Rebecca Mason five shillings to her and her heirs *et*.

Item: I lend to my said daughter Rebecca Mason in case she shall be left a widow and not otherwise the use of one negro man named George during her natural life or widowhood.

Item: I give and bequeath unto my said daughter Rebecca Masons children five hundred dollars with one half of said money to be applied to the use of my said daughter Rebecca Mason conditionally, that is, if she is left a widow and not otherwise. And my desire is that my son Joe Harris and ~~James~~ ^{James} Thorp take charge of said money and put it in interest so that when either of said children come to lawful age or marries, that they shall be entitled to draw their equal part which I give to them and their heirs and assigns, forever.

Item: I lend to my daughter Mary Atkinson two negro girls named Lotty Caty and their increase also one negro man named Cuffy during her natural life, and at her death my will is that should my said daughter Mary die leaving a child or children that such child or children possess and enjoy in their own absolute right they and their heirs to the aforesaid negroes namely Lotty, Caty, and Cuffy as before mentioned, but if my said daughter Mary Atkinson dies without any heirs begotten of her body that the said negroes above mentioned be equally divided between