

Imprimis:- I lend to my wife Julian Jones all my ~~land~~ land and plantation whereon I now dwell for and during her life or widowhood and at her day of marriage or death I give and bequeath the above mentioned land and plantation to my son Newsome Jones to ^{him} his heirs and assigns forever.

Item:- I give and bequeath to my son John Jones all my carpenters tools and one pair of Sledyards to him, his heirs and assigns forever.

Item: I give and bequeath to my daughters Martha Griffin, Elizabeth Melton and Ann Bass, five shillings cash and no more. I give and bequeath to my son Newsome Jones one grind stone and all my casks to him and his heirs and assigns forever.

Item: I give and bequeath to my grandson Thomas Griffin one bed and furniture and one cow and cow yearling one small shot gun and all my shoe maker stools to him his heirs and assigns forever.

~~Item~~. I lend to my wife Julian Jones all the rest and residue of my estate be it of what kind or quality sowerver for and during her life or widowhood and at her marriage or death I give and bequeath the same to my son Coopers Jones to him his heirs and assigns forever.

I do constitute and appoint my wife Julian Jones executrix and my son Newsome Jones executor to this my last will and testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 31st day of January in the year of our lord on thousand seven hundred and eightyone.

Signed, sealed, and acknowledged
by said Francis Jones as his last will
and testament in presence of us
Matthew Drake

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Francis x Albright Jones (Seal)
mark

W.S. Mearns and Ann Shores.

Nash County

November court 1788.

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

and is registered in obedience to the above order.

Attest. Wm Hall, C.C.

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In the Name of God, Amen.

I, Harry Tayler of Nash County and state of North Carolina, being sick and weak in body but (thorough mercy) enjoying my reasonable senses and memory do ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form as followeth, viz:

Imprimis: I surrender and give my soul into the hands of that god, who gave it me with a comfortable hope of a resurrection unto eternal life through the merits of Jesus Christ my lord and my body to the earth to be decently interred at the discretion of my executors, hereafter named and as to such worldly goods as it hath pleased the father of Mercy to bestow on me I dispose of them in the following manner (viz)

Item: I give and bequeath to my son Etheldred Tayler and his heirs

forever three tracts of land, lying and being in Franklin County on the waters of Turkey Creek one of which tracks, I purchased of James Bradley the other from Thomas Glover, and the third from Arthur Bowden containing in the whole, eight hundred and two acres, I also give and bequeath to my aforesaid son Etheldred Tayler, one negro man named Isham one negro girl named Charity, one negro boy named Israil, also one negro boy named Simen and one negro boy named Ben formerly the property of Solomon Hayes, to him and his heirs forever, I also give to my above son one bay mare ~~mare~~ named Diment and thirty seven head of cattle also all the hogs, my said son has now in his possession.

Item: I give and bequeath to my beloved daughter Elizabeth Boddie one negro woman named Hannah, one negro man named Ralph, and one negro girl named cloe to her and the heirs of her body forever. I also give to my above named daughter one bay mare mare call Matchless and her colt one gray horse called Dawson also five cows and calves, one feather bed and furniture now in her possession.

Item: I give and bequeath to my beloved daughter Celia Tayler one negro woman named Dinah ^{and} ~~to~~ her girl child named Temp and one negro boy named Lewis to her and the heirs of her body forever also one grey mare about one year old one feather bed and furniture.

Item: I give and bequeath to my son Samuel Tayler one negro man named Membridge, one negro girl named Patience, one negro girl named Olive and one negro boy named Albert to him and his heirs forever.

Item: I give and bequeath to my son Harry Tayler one negro boy named Minor ~~and~~ one negro girl named Alec one negro woman named Moll and one negro boy named Charles to him and his heirs forever.

Item: I give and bequeath to my son Hardy Tayler one negro man named Jordan and one negro girl named ~~one~~ ^{Nance} ~~named~~ to him and his heirs forever.

Item: I give and bequeath to my son John Taylor one negro boy named Bobb and one negro girl named patt to him and his heirs forever.

Item: I give and bequeath to my son Boykin Taylor, one negro boy named ~~Boham~~ and one negro girl named Sue to him and his heirs forever.

Item: I give and bequeath to my grandson Elisah Boddie one negro girl named Agg to him and his heirs forever.

Item: I lend unto my well beloved wife Sarah Taylor during her natural life my land and plantation whereon I now live and at her death my will and desire is that it may be equally divided between my three sons (viz) Hardy, John and Boykin Tayler. I also lend to my beloved wife during the term aforesaid one negro woman and her increase named Beck one negro woman named Siah, one negro girl named Chana and one negro man named Ben and at her death my desire is that the said negroes together with their increase if any be equally divided betwixt my three sons (viz) Hardy, John and Boykin Taylers also to my beloved wife, I lend for the

term of natural life, the following articles (viz). my blue chest my best table, three feather beds and furniture, my buffet, all my working tools in doors and out all my pewter and earthen ware, three work horses, prince, Buck and Bradack also fifteen head of cattle, such as she shall make ~~child~~ of, and at her death ~~my will~~ ^{shall} is, that the above articles be equaply divided betwixt my ~~afersaid~~ ^{three} sons ~~these~~ (viz) Hardy, John and Boykin Taylors;

Item: I give and bequeath to my well beloved wife Sarah Taylor one fourth part of my crop now growing and also all my Hoggs and the residue of my crop I desire to be sold and the purchase money equally divided betwixt my three sons, Hardy, John and Boykin Taylors.

Item: The remaining part of my property whether real or personal that I have not lent nor given away I desire may be sold, and the purchase money equally divided (and put out on interest) between my five youngest sons and youngest daughter. viz: Samuel, Harry, Hardy, John Boykin and Selia Taylor lastly I do nominate constitute and ordain my beloved son Etheldred Taylor and my beloved friend William Lancaster of Franklin my whole and sole executors of this my last will and testament utterly revoking disanuling and renouncing all other wills by me heretofore made. Inwitness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this thirty first day of May, Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and eighty eight.

Signed, sealed, and acknowledged
in presence of us
William Lancaster
Theophilus Odom
Robert Rogers.

his
Harry Taylor (Seal)
mark.

Nash County

November Term 1788.

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

Attest. Wm Hall, C.C.

and is registered in obediencteto the above order.

Attest. Wm Hall, C.C.

In The name of God Amen.

I Jeremiah Deens of Nash County being in sound and perfect mind and memory thanks be to God for the same do this nineteenth day of February one thousand seven hundred and eighty eight make and publish: this my last willand testament in manner following ~~that is~~ ^{to say first} I lend to my beloved wife Molley Deens all my lands and plantation and all my moveable property both in doors and out of doors enduring other widowhood or life and ~~then~~ after her widowhood or life the lands and plantation to my son Sherrod Deens and then one feather led to my daughter temperance Deens and the rest of my property to be equally divided amongst all my children after the above mentioned widowhood or decess and I make and ordain my dear beloved wife Molley Deens executrix and my worthy