

In The Name of God Amen. I James Griffin of Nash County in the state of north carolina, being weak in body but of perfect mind and memory do ordain this my last will and testament, First I will that all my just debts and funeral charges be paid and as for the worldly it hath pleased almighty God to bestow <sup>on</sup> ~~me~~ me I leave in manner and form following.

Item: I give and bequeath to my son Absolom Griffin, five shillings sterling to him and his heirs forever.

Item: I give and bequeath to my daughter Christian Griffin five shillings sterling to she and her heirs forever.

Item: I give and bequeath to my daughter Elisah Griffin five shillings sterling to she and her heirs forever.

Item: I leave the use of all the rest of my estate to my beloved friend Mary Drake until her death or marriage but if she marries then I give all the remainder of my estate to be equally divided between <sup>Slon</sup> her four children viz:/ Drake, Buraney Drake, Jesse Drake and Isaac Drake to them and their heirs forever.

I constitute and ordain my trusty friend Martha Drake my whole and soul executors of this my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and fixt my seal this ninth day of May, and in the year of our lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy nine.

witness:

James Battle  
his  
James xBryant  
mark.  
her  
MaryxWilliams  
mark.

his  
JamesxGriffin  
mark.

Nash County

May court, 1795

The foregoing will was duly proven in open court by the oath of James Battle 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 Joseph T. Clinch, of Nash County, and State of North Carolina being in perfect mind and sound memory but calling to mind the mortality of my body do make and ordain this my last will and testament in amanner and form following to wit. my soul <sup>3</sup> ~~and~~ recommend unto the hands of god that gave it me and as to my body I recommend to the grave to be buried in a christian and decent manner and as to my worldly estate I dispose of in manner and form following.

Imprimise. I will that my Just debts and funeral charges be paid

Item: I give and bequeath to my beloved son Edward Clinch one