

one iron pot to him his heirs and assigns forever.

Imprimis: I give and bequeath to my son Drury Joiner the plantation whereon I now live but to be possessed of it till ~~after~~ the death or marriage of his mother, one negro fellow called Robin one iron pot but not to be possessed of them till the death or marriage of his mother one feather bed and furniture to him his heirs and assigns forever.

Imprimis: I give bequeath to my daughter Ann Racksone negro woman named Moll to her her heirs and assigns forever.

Imprimis, I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary Barnes one negro ~~boy~~ ^{boy} Elizah to her, her heirs and assigns forever.

Imprimis: I give and bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth Joiner one feather bed and furniture one negro boy called bird to her, her heirs and assigns forever.

Item; The remainder part of my estate I desire may be equally divided between my four children, to wit, Burwell, Jordan, Cornelius and Drury

Item: I do constitute and appoint my sons Nathan Joiner and William Joiner my full and sole executor of this my last will and testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand ^{affixed my} and seal this 11th January, 1783.

William W Joiner (Seal)

Signed, sealed, published,

and pronounced by the said William Joiner to be his last will and testament in presence of Philander Williams, William Skinner, Hardy Joiner.

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The above will was in open court duly proven in open court by the oath of Philander Williams 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.

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In The Name of God, Amen.

I, James Massingale Sen. of the county of Nash in the State of North Carolina being in perfect health and memory thanks be to God also calling to mind the uncertainty of this life and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my last will and testament principally and first of all I give my soul into the hands of God that gave it And as touching my worldly estate I give and bequeath in the following manner.

Item: I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary Howell her heirs and assigns, two shillings species.

Item: I give and bequeath to my son James ^{Massingale} his heirs and assigns two shillings species.

Item: I give and bequeath to my son George Massingale him and his heirs assigns two shillings specie.

Item: I give and bequeath to my daughter Hannah Harrison or her and assigns two shillings specie.

Item: I give to my son Walker Masingale his heirs and assigns two shillings specie.

Item: I give and bequeath to my son Mathew Masengale his heirs and assigns two shillings specie.

Item: I give and bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth Carrill her heirs and assigns two shillings specie.

Item: I lend to my dearly beloved wife, ^{Elizabeth} the use of the land and plantation whereon I now live during her life also I give her the use of all my horses and hogs during her life also I give her the use of all my feather beds and furniture and all my household goods and furniture of all kinds during her life, also all my crop.

Item: I give and bequeath to my daughter Ann Arrabella her heirs and assigns the land and plantation whereon I now live to return to her after her mothers death also I give and bequeath to daughter Ann Arrabella her heirs and assigns all the horses cattle and hogs sheep and feather beds and all the household furniture that I lend to my wife to return to her after her mothers death.

Item: I constitute and appoint willoughby Manning and Thomas Morris Executer of this my last will and testament and I do hereby pronounce this and no other to be my last will and testament.

Signed, sealed and pronounced
the 22nd day of January, 1784
in presents of John Turner
Thomas Morris
Patience Powell

his
James Masengale (Seal)
mark.

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Nash County

February court 1785.

The foregoing will was in open court duly proven by the oath of Thomas Morris 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.

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In The Name of God, Amen

I Jeremiah Brown of Nash County being of perfect mind and memory thanks be given unto God therefor calling to mind the Mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men one to die do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following.

Imprimis: My desire is that my loving wife Mary Brown have use of the plantation I now live on during the time she remains my widow also the house furniture and the stock of all kind to her use also during ~~her~~ the time she doth remain my widow.

Item: I give and bequeath to my loving son John Brown twenty shillings, virginia currency to be paid in silver.

Item: I give and bequeath to my loving son Joseph Brown all my land and plantation to him and his heirs forever, And after the death or