

In The Name of God Amen. I Timothy M. Nicholson of the County of Nash and State of North Carolina being low in health but of sound mind and disposing memory do make and ordain this to be my last will and testament.

First I give and recommend my soul into the hands of God that gave it and touching such earthly property as has been pleased God to bless me with, I give and bequeath in form and manner following

Imprimis: I lend unto my mother Penelope Nicholson two negroes of her choice during her natural life.

Item: I give and bequeath unto my daughter Sally Nicholson all my lands viz: all the lands which fell to me by my fathers will also one tract adjoining by the name of the Sandingham place also the land whereon I now live, also the land I bought of Joseph Mares also my right in the land adjoining it, which was lent to me by my fathers will, also the land in Edgecombe County on Fishing Creek which was part of the lands of Absalom Benton Deceased, to her and her heirs forever. Also I give unto my said daughter Sally Nicholson all my negroes (including the two which are lent to my mother after her death) to her and her heirs forever.

Item: I give and bequeath unto my Sister Sally M. Phillips one hundred Dollars also the right of dower I now own in the lands which formally belonged to Robert Thompson deceased to her and her heirs forever.

Item: My will and desire also is that all the property which I have not given away of all kinds whatsoever be sold at publick sale and after my just debts are paid out of the money rising from such sale together with the money now due me that if there should be remaining in the hands of my executors the sum of five hundred dollars of said money that my sisters Martha, Elizabeth and Nancy Nicholson should have one Hundred Dollars each, to them and their heirs forever.

Item: I give and bequeath unto my daughter Sally Nicholson, all the remainder of my estate of all kinds whatsoever which I have not already given away to her and her heirs forever, but if my daughter Sally Nicholson should die before she comes to the age of twenty one years or marries my will and desire is that all my estate which I have given her be equally divided between all my sisters and if she should marry and die without leaving any child my will then is that all the lands which I have given her be equally divided between all my sisters viz Leticia Crowell, Sally M. Phillips, Martha Nicholson, Penelope Whitfield, Polley Ealke, Fereby Shelton, Elizabeth Nicholson, and Nancy Nickolson, to them and their heirs forever.

Item: My will and desire is that if at any time during the life of my mother she should by accident or other wise be reduced to low circumstances that my executors do maintain her generally out of the property arising from the estate I have given away to my daughter before mentioned.

Item: My further will and desire is that my executors shall have the management of my daughter and that they have her well educated and contented

raised, Lastly I nominate and appoint my worthy brother in law Egum Phillips and my cousin Thomas Nicholson my sole and sole executors to this my last will and testament revoking all other wills or wills whatsoever heretofore made. In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and affix my seal this fifteenth day of March Ad 1000 Eighteen hundred and eight. Signed, sealed and acknowledged in presents of us.

Alex Sorsby.

T.M. Nicholson (Seal)

Major Glanden.

Nash county

May court, 1808

The foregoing will was duly proven in open court by the oath of Major Glanden 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 This 2nd day of May, Adomini one thousand eight hundred and eight I John Watkins of the County of Nash and State of North Carolina, being weak in body but of sound mind and disposing memory do make and ordain this to be my last will and testament in manner and form following to wit. I lent to my wife Nancy during her natural life or widowhood four hundred acres of land lying on the north side of Kirby's creek including the houses and where I now live. Also one negro man Hard and one negro woman Dinah one half of the still all the cyder casks one half of my part of the Mill also one mare named Fale, one horse named Jack one mare named Diamond and her two colts. also half of my flock of cattle, sheep and hogs also half the brandy now on hand, all my plantation tools, one cart and wheels, also all the household and kitchen furniture, also all the production of my farm for the present year, and at her death or marriage I give the above property except the land and negroes to be equally divided between all my children.

Item: I give and bequeath to my Daughter Charlotte Watkins two negroes Mourning and Toney also one grey Horse to her and her heirs and assigns forever.

Item: I give and bequeath to my daughter Sally Ricks two negroes Silvy and Simon also one cow and calf one sow and pigs to her and her heirs and assigns forever.

Item: I give and bequeath to my son Isaac Watkins all my land lying on the south side of Kirby's creek including the falls of Tar river together with one half of my part of the mill also half of my still, also one negro man named Jim and one boy named Tom and one horse to him his heirs and assigns forever.

Item: My will and desire is that the Balance of my negroes which are not heretofore given or lost be equally divided between my four youngest children

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to wit. Betsey, Nancy, Delilah and John Watkins, to them and their heirs and assigns forever, also the two negroes Hard and Dinah lent to my wife at her death or marriage I give to be divided between my said four youngest children to them and their heirs forever.

Item: I give and bequeath to my son John Watkins all my land lying on the north side of L. Kirby's Creek exclusive of the part lent to my wife to him and his heirs and assigns forever.

Item: My will and desire is that the land which is lent to my wife, at her death or marriage be equally divided between my two sons Isaac and John Watkins to them and their heirs and assigns forever.

Item: My further will is that my ~~Said~~ Horse and Diamond Filly as also the rest of the property not heretofore given nor lent to be sold and money arising from said sale to be divided between all my children and lastly I do hereby appoint my friend Jacob Horn and my son Isaac Watkins as executors to this my last will and testament making void all former wills by me made.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year above written.

Signed, sealed and acknowledged
by the testator to be his last
will and testament in presence of
John Watkins
Sam Smith
M. Mason.

John Watkins (Seal)

Nash County

May court, 1808

The foregoing will was duly proven in open court by the oath of Sam Smith and Marmaduke Mason 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.

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Attest. Wm Hall, C.C.

In The Name of God Amen. I Sarah Williams of Nash County being of sound perfect mind and memory blessed be God do this fourteenth day of June In the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eight doth make and publish this my last will and testament in manner and form as followeth. that is to say- I first give my beloved soul to God that first gave it me and my body I recommend to the earth to be buried in a christian manner at the discretion of my executors hereafter named and as to my worldly goods that God hath blessed me with I dispoeth in the following manner to wit after all my just debts paid and my funeral expenses paid; the negro man by the name of Godfrey is to return to his master Drury Williams or his heirs with out any expenses or money paid. to wit the five negroes belonging to me by the names of Phillis, Buck, Bob, Addam and Primus is to be sold and all the rest of my property of all sort or kind and to be equally divided between my five living children and

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three of my grand children to wit Rowland Williams, James Williams, Joel Williams, Morning Tisdale and Drury Williams to wit My grand Children Drury Williams the son of Billy Williams deceased, being the legacy that I allotted for him the said Billy Williams deceased and ~~if~~ said Drury Williams died before he had and lawful heirs to his brother Samuel Williams and the money arising from the said property to continue in the hand of my son Drury Williams until the said Drury Williams arrives to the age of twenty one to wit My Grandson Keddick Driver the son of Nanny Driver, deceased being the Legacy that I allotted for her the said Nanny Driver and the money arising from the said property to remain in the hands of my son Drury Williams until the said Keddick Driver demand, ^{on} his lawful attorney to wit my grandson Nathan Williams the son of Nathan Williams deceased being the legacy that I allotted for him the said Nathan Williams deceased the money arising from said property to be equally divided between them eight and Nathan Person them and their heirs forever to wit Rowland Williams, Jonas Williams, ^{Joel Williams, Drury Williams, Morning Tisdale, Keddick Driver the son of Nanny Driver, Dest. Nathan Williams, the son of Nathan Williams} Dest. and my son Drury Williams and my estate to be sold by my executors and I doth hereby made and ordain my worthy friends my two sons Jonas Williams and Drury Williams executors of this my last will and testament In witness whereof I the said Sarah Williams have to this my last will and testament set my hand and seal the day and year above written.

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the said Sarah Williams the testator as her just will and testament in the presents of us ^{where} present at the time of signing and sealing

thereof.
Wm Moore
John Williams
Nash County

her
Sarah Williams (Seal)
mark.

August court, 1808

The with in will was duly proven in open court by the oath of William Moore 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.