

and is recorded

Attest F.M. Taylor, C.C.C.

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In the Name of God Amen. I Barbara Arrington of Nash County, North Carolina, being of sound and disposing mind and memory but feeble in body, do this thirteenth day of January in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and forty eight make and publish this my last will and testament in manner and form following viz: I give and bequeath to my brother Francis Wright the sum of two hundred dollars. (The balance of my estate of every description I give to my daughters Mary S. Williams to be equally divided, to them and their heirs forever. I do nominate and appoint my son in law Archibald H. Arrington executor to this my last will in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this day and year above written.

Witness
Jno. Arrington her
Barbara Arrington (Seal)
State of North Carolina Nash County court of pleas and quarter sessions
Term Term 1848

The foregoing paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Barbara Arrington Deceased is offered for probate and duly proven in open court on oath by the subscribing witnesses thereto, and is ordered to be recorded

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In the Name of God Amen. I Margaret Mercer of Nash County, State of North Carolina being in proper health of body mind and memory have thought proper to make publish and ordain this my last will and testament as in manner and form following viz:

Item: I give and bequeath unto my grand child Elizabeth Jane Mercer the daughter of Thomas Mercer one feather bed and furniture and one chest.

Item: I give and bequeath unto my grand child Emma Ann Mercer the daughter of Thomas Mercer one feather bed and furniture and one chest.

Item: I give and bequeath unto Rhoda Mercer the wife of Thomas Mercer one side saddle and one loom and one blue painted table and one press and one pair of cart wheels and one woolen wheel and two tubs and one water pail and one skillet and one trunk and three dishes and one dozen plates and five bowls and three jugs and one black bottle and one tickler and one decanter, two flat irons.

Item: I give and bequeath unto Thomas Mercer all my stock of whatsoever sort or manner it may be I owe to him and his heirs forever; and lastly I constitute nominate and appoint Thomas Mercer executor of this my last will and testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 30 day of October one thousand eight hundred and forty seven.

Signed sealed and acknowledged

in the presence of us

James B. Mercer
Lazarus Cook

her
Margaret Mercer (Seal)
Mark

State of North Carolina court of pleas and quarter sessions
Nash County New Term, 1848

The foregoing paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Margaret Mercer deceased is offered for probate and duly proven in open court on oath by the subscribing witnesses thereto, and is ordered to be recorded.

Attest F.M. Taylor, C.C.C.
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In the Name of God Amen. I David Winborne of the county of Nash and State of North Carolina, being low in body but insound in mind and memory thank the Lord for his mercy do know that it is appointed unto for men to die do make and ordain this my last will and testament and first I commit my spirit to God that give it and my body to the dust from whence it was taken to be buried in a christian like manner. Next to that it is my desire that all my natural debts that I leave unsettled at my death should be paid as soon as convenient.

Item: I give to my beloved wife Isly Winborne one feather bed, bedstead and furniture one blue chest one cow and calf one yearling two sows and five head of sheep two pine tables and all the water vessels belonging to the household and I further give her five dollars in money; and it is my desire that my wife together with my executor call upon some two judicious husbandmen of good judgment to assist them in laying off to my beloved wife and her family out of the crop and stock on hand one years provision. Beside the property given I now lend to my beloved wife during her natural life or widowhood the following property viz: one cow and calf one yoke of steers and cart and wheels one horse or mare her own choice out of my stock of horses one folding walnut table I also lend her one loom and gear and one wheel and cards one dutch oven two pots furthermore I lend her that tract of land whereon I live separate from the land I bought of Hardy Bridgen together with my Grise Will with all the appurtenances thereto belonging. I also lend to my wife two negroes one by the name of Ben one by the name of Jacob nevertheless the nature of the loan of the last pieces of property mentioned is such as necessarily render it so with the consent of my wife my executor may sell either part or all of last pieces of property mentioned nevertheless if such sales should be affected in my wife's single life time she is to be entitled to one seventh part of the net proceeds of such sale therefore the loan is such as not to prevent my son John T. from making any sort of improvement on the land so as not to interfere with the farm of his mother.

The following estimated amount of next five legacies which I have given in advance in which there may be some very small incorrectness as it respects the precise amount mentioned same may be a little more and some a little less but for my own satisfaction and for the nearest approach to justice that I can come I have estimated them all at five hundred dollars each. I have given unto my beloved son James Winborne in land and another property \$50. to him and his heirs forever. I have given unto my beloved son Josiah Winborne in land and other property five hundred dollars to him and his heirs forever.

I have given unto my beloved son Ivy F. Winborne in land and other property five hundred dollars to him and his heirs forever.

Item: I have given to my beloved son David Winborne in land and other property five hundred dollars to him and his heirs forever.

Item: I have given unto my beloved daughter Melany Bezzell in land and other property five hundred dollars to her and her heirs forever.

Item: I have given unto my beloved son William Winborne beside what I have given him already I now give him in money three hundred and seventy dollars to him and his heirs forever.

Item: I have given her in money four hundred dollars to her and her heirs forever.

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Item: I now give unto my daughter Eliza C. Winborne one feather bed and bedstead and furniture one hunting saddle and four hundred and thirty three dollars in money to her and her heirs forever.

I now give unto my daughter Martha A. Winborne, one feather bed and bedstead and furniture and four hundred and seventy five dollars in money to her and her heirs forever.

I now give unto my beloved son John I. Winborne one shot gun all my one filly called the Joyner filly and one saddle one shot gun all my cooper shop and tools one tract of land I bought of Hardy Bridgen I give to him at my death and all the land whereon I live and the grise mill with all the appurtenances thereto belonging at his mother's marriage or death.

I now give unto my beloved daughter Isly Jane Winborne one feather bed and bedstead and furniture and four hundred and seventy five dollars in money to her and her heirs forever, for it is my desire that if the first sales should be found deficient in raising money for all the legacies Mary, Eliza C., Martha A., and Isly Jane for it is my desire that the four legacies mentioned should divide or share the overplus after paying William and Melany their legacies it is also my desire that when ever the loan property comes into my hands that after supplying the deficiency of the legacies last mentioned that the surplus left if any, should be equally divided between my son Josiah and the heirs of my son Ivy I. Winborne, and Melany Bezzell my daughter Mary and my son David and my daughter Eliza C. and my daughter Martha A. and my son John I. and my daughter Isly Jane. I also do ordain and appoint my son Josiah my executor whole and sole to execute this my last will and testament and it is my desire that all the residue of my property not given away or loaned in this will should be sold with the exceptions of my religious books.

And I do hereby revoke make null and void all other wills by me made heretofore this being my last will and testament.