

Item: I direct if either my son Etheldred, or Mathew, should die under age, the other to have the negroes given him above.

Item: I give to my loving wife a large pine table, a small poplar table.

Item: I give and bequeath to son Harris Horn, two negroes viz: Gudgeon and Rachel.

Item: I give and bequeath to my five first children (viz) Harris, Horne, Howell Horn, Hardy Horn, Milbray ^(millie) Horn and Rebecca Horn and to their heirs forever, the whole of my land together with the profits of my part of the mill, to be decided by men appointed for that purpose after the expiration of my wife widowhood.

Item: I direct that my son Harris Horn part of the land at the division to be such as to make him (including the negroes given him above) to be only equal with the others.

Item: I direct that all the remainder part of my estate of what kind soever, be sold and the money arising from the sale to be ^{five} equally divided amongst my first children (viz) Harris, Howell, Hardy, Milbray ^{Rebecca} and Bella.

Item: I do constitute and ordain my friends Jeremiah Hilliard, Jacob Horn Jan. and Anselma Harris my whole and sole executors of this my last will and testament. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this sixteenth day of September 1793.

Jacob Horne

Signed, sealed, and acknowledged
in the presents of
Hardy Harris
Benj. Whitfield
Eliza Battle.

Nash County

November court. 1793

The within will was duly proven in open court by the oath of Hardy Harris and Benj. Whitfield 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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In The Name of God Amen, I Mark Mason Sen. of Nash County and State of North Carolina, being in health of body and of sound and disposing mind and memory think fit to constitute and make this my last will and testament in manner and form following viz:

1st I desire all my just debts to be paid.

2nd I give unto my son Mark Mason a piece of land containing about fifty acres, beginning at Sam Nicholson's line then ~~thence~~ along a line of marked trees to the Peacason thence down the Peacason to Ralphs Prong thence down the said Prong to Abner Mason's corner, thence along his line to Saml. Nicholsons line, thence north to the first station.

3rd. I give unto my son Benjamin Mason the plantation on which I now dwell and all the lands adjoining the same that is possessed by me at the making of this my last will likewise I bequeath to him my still and furni-

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ture of the same.

4th I give unto my daughter Mary Norris the sum of five shillings.

5. I give unto my daughter Patty Smedley my negro girl named Patt, during her natural life then the negro and her increase to be divided among her children.

6. I give unto my daughter Elizabeth Cooper my negro girl named Easter her and her increase forever.

7. I give unto my daughter Catharine Mason my negro boy named Dempsey to her and her heirs.

8. I give unto Alla Mallard the sum of Seventy pounds a feather bed and furniture complete.

9. I lend unto my well beloved wife Elizabeth Mason the use of my plantation and all my stock of all kinds my negroes not included in the foregoing gifts likewise all my household furniture and plantation utensils during her natural life or widowhood and after her death or marriage I ordain that all my estate except the foregoing shall be equally divided among my six sons viz: Henry, Mark, Foster, William, Abner and Benjamin and also among my three daughters Patty, Elizabeth and Catherine.

I constitute, ordain and appoint my well beloved wife Elizabeth Mason and my son Benjamin Mason when of age my whole and sole executors of this my last will and testament to see it executed and performed. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this fifteenth March 1790.

Signed, sealed and delivered
in presence of

Mark Mason (Seal)

Mason Thomas
Tisey Thomas
Foster Mason

This will assigned the 15th day of October 1790.

Nash County November term 1793
The within will was duly proven in open court by the oath of Tisey Thomas a subscribing witness thereto. on motion ordered to be recorded.

Attest, Wm Hall, C.C.

and is registered in obedience to the above order.

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In The Name of God Amen, I Henry Screws of the State of North Carolina and Nash County being sick and weak in body but of sound and perfect sense and memory thanks be to almighty God for the same calling to mind the mortality of my body knowing it is appointed for all men once to die do make constitute and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form as follows viz:

First: I give my soul to God that gave it and my body to the earth to be buried at the discretion of my friends that survive me.

Item: I give and bequeath to my eldest son John Screws one horse, bridle and saddle which he has in his possession now and also one feather bed and furniture to him and his heirs forever.