

In The Name of God Amen , I Mathias Manning of the estate of North Carolina, <sup>county</sup> Nash ~~County~~ being sick and weak of body but of perfect mind and sound memory calling to mind the mortality of my body knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following to wit principale and first of all I reccomend my sole into the hands of god that gave it me and my body I reccomend to the earth to be buried in a christian and decent manner at the discretion of my executor as touching my worldly estate. I give and bequeath in manner and form following .

Imprimis: I will that my just debts and funeral charges be paid.

Item: I lend and bequeath to my loving wife Margaret Manning the land and plantation where on I now live , one hundred silver Dollars, ten coves and calves one horse and all my housing stuff, eight head of ~~sheep~~ <sup>one negro man named Tom one negro woman named Jane</sup> and thirty head of hogs, one negro man named charles , one negro woman named sele, one negro boy named Bob one negro garl named Nance, one negro boy named Phill, one negro garl named Phebe, one negro boy named Dawson, one negro garl named Dine , one negro garl named Siller one still and worm to her during her life.

Item: I give and bequeath to my loving daughter Sarah Richerson three hundred acres of land it being where he now lives one bed and furniture to her after my wifes death , one negro garl by the name Sook one negro boy by the name of Marchant, four coves and calves, fifty pounds cash , one hundred pound spice one third part of my puter to her and her heirs forever..

Item: I give and bequeath to my loving daughter Mary Fridgen one tract of land containing, three hundred and twelve acres lying on little Bare Branch one negro woman named Lett. one negro boy by the name of ~~Isaac~~ <sup>alick</sup> one negro boy by the name of Isaac , one negro man by the name of Ben one negro woman by the name of Dinah one bed and furniture one half of my money and one half of all my stock of cattle hogs sheep to one horse to her and her heirs forever.

Item: I give and bequeath to my grand son Mathias Manning one tract of land containing six hundred and forty acres more or less, one negro man by the name of Tom, one negro woman by the name of <sup>Jane</sup> one negro garl named Dine to him after my wife death and his heirs forever.

Item: I give and bequeath to my grandson Fridgen Manning one tract of land and plantation containing nine and forty acres , one bed and furniture, one negro boy named Doyson, one negro garl named Siller, one still and worm one negro man by the name of Charles, one negro woman by the name of Sele, one half of my stock of all kinds and half my money to him after my wife death.

Item: I give and bequeath to my grandson Ele Manning one negro

boy by the name of Bob one negro girl by the name of Nance to him after my wife death.

Item: I give and bequeath to my grandson David Manning one negro girl by the name of Phebe one negro boy by the name of Phill to him and his heirs for ever. after my wife death.

Item: I will that after my wife's death all the remaining part of my estate to be divided between Sarah Richardson and Mary Pridgen and Pridgen Manning.

Item: I do hereby nominate and appoint David Pridgen sole executors of this my last will and testament and revoking all former wills and testaments heretofore made or ordained and do publish and pronounce this my last will and testament.

Signed, sealed and published and pronounced this 2 day of May, 1789.

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William Bunten

Mathias x Manning (Seal)  
mark.

Thomas Deans

Robert Creekmore

Nash County

August, Court 1789

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

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In The Name of God, Amen, The 6th day of May 1789 I, Joshua Pierce of the County of Nash and State of North Carolina being sick and weak in Body of a perfect mind and memory thanks be given unto God for his mercy and calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to dye. Do make and ordain this my last will and testament as follows, principally and first of all I recommend my soul into the hands of God that gave it and as to my body I recommend to the earth to be buried in a christian like and decent manner and as touching such worldly estate wherewith it hath pleased God to Bless me with I give, devise and dispose of the same in manner and form following.

Item: I give and bequeath to Calia Braswell one cow and calf.

Item: I give to Dinah Braswell one cow and calf.

Item: I give to Peggy Buntin one cow and calf, also one feather bed and furniture, also one chest.

Item: I give to my well beloved son Joshua Pierce one feather bed and furniture also one chest.

Item: I lend the use of all the rest and remainder of my estate together with my land and all my ~~heres~~ household stuff, and moveables