

Williams have live to her and her heirs forever. I give and bequeath to my daughter Senath Williams the tract of land where she now lives containing two hundred acres hereafter to be run off also twenty dollars in money to her and her heirs forever. Item: I give and bequeath to my three grandsons children of Rashady, five dollars each to them and their heirs forever. I give and bequeath to my daughter Wiley Batman the tract of land where she lives containing about two hundred acres yet to be run off also I give said Wiley two negroes name Violet and Eliza to her and her heirs forever. Item: I give and bequeath to my daughter Priscilla Williams five dollars to her and her heirs forever. Item: I give and bequeath to my son Willie Batman the tract of land where he lives containing three hundred and twenty acres more or less to him and his heirs forever. Item: I give and bequeath to my son Haywood Batman five dollars in cash to him and his heirs forever. I give and bequeath to the lawful heirs of Noel Batman five dollars each to them and their heirs forever. Item: I give and bequeath to my daughter Charity Dalton the Dickerson tract of land containing about three hundred acres also one negro girl Betty and one negro woman named Rachel to her and her heirs forever. Item: I give and bequeath to my daughter Eliza Batman one negro boy Jack and one negro girl named Leona also one man named Pink and one carryall, to her and her heirs forever. It is my will that the property left to my daughter Eliza Batman should remain with my life during her life. I give and bequeath to my daughter Tamy Batman a part of the James Deans land say two hundred acres also one negro girl named Marge also one boy named Bedford to her and her heirs forever. Item: I give and bequeath to my son German Batman one hundred dollars in cash to him and his heirs forever. Item: I give and bequeath to my son Marshal Batman the balance of the Deans lands whereon he lives yet to be run off also one negro girl Ailey to him and his heirs forever. Item: I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary Winbourn one hundred dollars in cash and it is my will that said money be paid to her as she may have need. Item: It is my will that all the balance of my estate both real and personal say seven negroes land not given away and stock of all kinds horses, furniture crop and c. be sold by my executor hereafter named and the money arising from said sale to pay all my just debts and the bequests in this will and the balance to be equally divided between my four children viz: Wiley Willey Haywood and German Batman and I do hereby nominate constitute and appoint my worthy friend A.B. Deans, Jr. executor to this my last will and testament making utterly null and void all other wills heretofore made by me this 4th day of October 1848

Test.

John Dozier
M. H. DeansState of North Carolina court of pleas and quarter session
Nash county August term 1851

The execution of the foregoing will is duly proven in open court by the oaths of John Dozier and M.H. Deans the two subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be registered:

and is recorded.

Attest Jno. W. Bryant, C.C.C.
Attest Jno. W. Bryant, C.C.C.

"Whereas I Theophilus Batman have made my last will and testament in writing bearing date the 4 day of October 1848 and have thereby made sundry devises and bequests according to the then existing circumstances of my estate but which circumstances having so changed I do by this my writing which I hereby declare to be a codicil to my said will to be taken and construed as a part thereof. will and demise that one hundred acres of the Dickerson tract of land and one negro woman Rachel only be given to my daughter Charity Dalton instead of three hundred acres of land and two negroes as directed in my said will and I do hereby give and devise to my granddaughter Caroline Boykin wife of Willie Boykin one hundred acres of land a part of the Dickerson tract lying on the road and one negro girl named Betty to her and her heirs forever in testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 25th day of May 1849. Signed, sealed and published by Theophilus Batman to be a part of his last will and testament in presence of us

Jesse Peale
Edwin Mulhmanhis
Theophilus x Batman (Seal)
mark.

In The Name of God Amen. I Mourning Kent of the County of Nash County and State of North Carolina, being in a low state of health but of sound mind and disposing memory do make and publish this my last will and testament in way and manner following, first I give my sole to God and body to the earth from whence it came to be buried in a plain decent manner 2nd. I wish all my just debts paid.

Item: I give and bequeath to my grandson William H. Bottoms one tract of land adjoining John Matthews Sam Williams and others containing one hundred and four teen acres to him and his heirs forever.

Item: I give and bequeath to my grandson John H. Bottoms one feather bed and furniture to him and his heirs forever. Item: I give and bequeath to my daughter Wiley Bottoms one negro girl named Chain also one loom and gear to her and her lawful begotten heirs other body forever. Item

I give and bequeath to my two grandsons William H. Bottoms and John H. Bottoms one brandy still and fixtures to them and their heirs forever. I give and bequeath to the said John H. Bottoms one blue chest to him and his heirs forever. Item: Give and bequeath to my daughter Wiley Bottoms all of the balance of my house hold and kitchen furniture to her and her heirs forever. and I do hereby nominate and appoint my worthy friend Brittain H. Bottoms executor to this my last will and testament this

14th day of April, 1851 signed, sealed and published in the presence of us who at her request signed as witnesses

Test. A.B. Deans, Jr.
John Mathes

Mourning Kent (Seal)

Mark.

State of North Carolina court of pleas and quarter session Aug. term 1851

The foregoing paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Mourning Kent was exhibited in open court and duly proven by the oaths of A.B. Deans and John Mathes the two subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded.

and is recorded.

Attest Jno. M. Bryant, C.C.C.
Attest Jno. M. Bryant, C.C.C.

In the Name of God Amen. I James Sullivan of the County of Nash and State of North Carolina, do publish and declare this to be my last will and testament viz: First: Out of the property which I possess I desire all my just debts to be paid and after the payment of all my said just debts, it is my will and desire that the residue of my property both real and personal shall be disposed of as follows: viz: I give and bequeath all the aforesaid residue of my estate both real and personal to Jacob Strickland to him and his heirs: In trust and upon the conditions nevertheless that the said Jacob Strickland will hold the same for the sole and separate use and benefit of Margaret Hammond (now aged about fourteen years) free from the control of any person or persons whomsoever, and more particularly free from the control of any person she may hereafter marry and should she marry, then the said Strickland is to hold the said property in trust for her the said Margaret as fully as she were a feme sole and unmarried, and free from the control and use and disposal of the said husband; and at the death of the said Margaret Hammond it is my will and desire that the said Jacob Strickland shall hold the said property both real and personal for the use and benefit of the children of the said Margaret, but in consideration of the foregoing bequest to the said Margaret Hammond, it is my will and desire that she the said Margaret should both take care of her mother Charity Hammonds during her life, and to the end that she may not suffer, I desire that the said property be left in trust to the said Jacob Strickland, should be and the same is hereby charged with the support of the said Charity, to the extent that the said Margaret may think reasonable. I do hereby appoint my friend Jacob Strickland my executor to this my last will and testament. In testimony of all which I have hereunto set my hand and seal this day of February 1850.

Signed, sealed, and published in the presence of
Daniel J. Crenshaw
J.M. Taylor

James Sullivan (Seal)

State of North Carolina, Court of pleas and quarter session Nov. term 1851
Nash County

The foregoing paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of James Sullivan is pronounced for probate. and the same is duly proved by the oath of J.M. Taylor, one of the subscribing witnesses thereto and is ordered to be recorded.

And is recorded.
Attest G.W. Ward, C.C.C.