

a child or children that such child or children inherit possess and enjoy in them an absolute right them and their heirs and to the aforesaid negroes namely Lot, Kate and Puff as before mentioned but if my said daughter Mary Atkinson dies without an heir begotten of her body that the said negroes above named be equally divided between my two sons Canfield and Joel Harris to them their heirs and assigns forever.

Item I give and bequeath to my son Canfield Harris all the right which he formerly held and which I now hold by virtue of a bill of sale from him of his part in a legacy bequeathed by his uncle Edwin Seward, deceased in his will and testament to him and his heirs forever.

Item. My will and desire is that the residue of my estate both real and personal after satisfying the abovesaid legacies be equally divided between my two sons Canfield Harris and Joel Harris to them their heirs and assigns forever. Lastly I do hereby appoint my son Joel Harris and my friend Jesse Sharp and Sam Smith executors to this my last will and testament and declaring null and void all former will by me made signed, sealed and acknowledged by the testator as this last will and testament in presence of us.

Louis Hines  
Alexander Smith  
John Atkinson.

Randolph Harris (Joel)

State of North Carolina, Nash County court Nov Term 1828

The foregoing last will and testament of Randolph Harris was duly proven in open court on oath of John A. Atkinson and on motion ordered to be recorded. And is recorded. Attest H. Blount, C.C.C.

In the Name of God Amen. I Robert C. Hilliard of the County of Nash and State of North Carolina being weak in body but of sound mind and memory do make this my last will and testament in manner and form following Imprimis: (That is to say) Item: I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Ammeryllis Hilliard one bay Mule called Pope, one gray mare I bought of Wm Battley, one bay colt three years old next spring, one bay mare, three cows, and calves, one yoke of work steers and cart, six sows and pigs, twelve head of sheep, to her her heirs and assigns forever.

Item: I give and bequeath unto my son William H. Hilliard one negro boy named Joe, one bed and furniture and one sorrel mare to him his heirs and assigns forever. Item: I give and bequeath unto my son John H. Hilliard one negro boy named Willie, one bed and furniture one sorrel colt three years old next spring to him his heirs and assigns forever.

Item: I give and bequeath unto my daughter Mary L. M. A. E. J. Hilliard one negro girl named Malley, one bed and furniture, one black walnut Bureau to her her heirs and assigns forever.

Item: I give and bequeath unto my daughter Leah C. Hilliard one negro girl named Louisa, one bed and furniture and dressing looking glass to her, her heirs and assigns forever.

Item: I give and bequeath unto my daughter Ammeryllis W. Hilliard one negro girl named Beck, one bed and furniture and twenty dollars to her her heirs and assigns forever. Item: I give and bequeath unto my daughter Rebecca E. Hilliard one negro girl named Eliza, one bed and furniture and twenty dollars to her, her heirs and assigns forever.

Item: I give and bequeath unto my son Robert C. T. Hilliard, one negro girl named Pink, and one negro boy named Caesar, one bed and furniture to him and his heirs and assigns forever.

Item: I lend unto my beloved wife Ammeryllis Hilliard my mansion plantation with all the lands I bought of William Whitehead except about one hundred acres lying in the north west corner of said tract adjoining the lands of Jacob Ing and Dempsey Taylor beginning at the old dam near the Garden thence running up the branch to the fork of said branch thence a parallel line with Jacob Ings to the back line, also I lend to my said wife one still called John Hilliard still, all the cider cask, apple mill and cider presses, also I lend to my said wife all the household and kitchen furniture and one riding gill and harness also lend to my said wife the following negroes to wit Hannah, Temp, Susan, Peg, Morning, Chanoy, Malley, Anthony, Finney, George and Nathan, and at her death I give and bequeath all the land I lent to my said wife to two of my sons William H. Hilliard and Robert C. T. Hilliard to be equally divided between my said two sons William H. Hilliard and Robert C. T. Hilliard to them their heirs and assigns forever; and the other estate I lent to my said wife, I give to my seven children viz; William H. Hilliard, John H. Hilliard, Mary S. M. A. E. J. Hilliard, Leah E. Hilliard, Ammeryllis W. Hilliard, Rebecca E. Hilliard and my son Robert C. T. Hilliard to be equally divided amongst them their heirs and assigns forever.

Item: I give and bequeath unto my daughter Rebecca E. Hilliard all my land lying on the north side of the lane swamp known by the name of the Talbert tract of land supposed to be about one hundred and forty acres to her her heirs and assigns forever.

Item: I give and bequeath unto my two sons William H. Hilliard and Robert C. T. Hilliard all the ballance of that tract of land known by the name of the Talbert's tract of land lying on the south side of lane swamp to be equally divided betwixt my said two sons William H. Hilliard and Robert C. T. Hilliard to them their heirs and assigns forever.

Item: I give and bequeath unto my son John H. Hilliard the lands and plantation I bought of William Wright also about one hundred acres out of the tract of land that I bought of William Whitehead the north west corner of said tract of land beginning at the old dam near the Garden then up the branch to the fork of said branch thence a parallel line with Jacob Ings to the back line, I also give my said son John H. Hilliard the battle ~~mill~~ cap and worm to him his heirs and assigns forever. My wish and desire is that the William Wright lands and the Battle ~~mill~~ should remain in common stock for the use of my wife Ameryllis Hilliard and the children until my said son John H. Hilliard shall arrive to the age of twenty one years.

Item: It is my wish and desire that my executors should have full power and authority, and I do hereby give them full power and authority to sell my ready point or more distinctly known by the name of the battle tract of land to the best advantage, also to sell at home or remove them to any other state the following negroes viz: Paul, Burwell, Bauldy, Ned, Bunch, Parsy and child Harrienn, Olive, and child Millick, Harry, Anney, ~~Isaac~~, Isaac and Edmond, the proceeds of said sales to go to the discharge of my just debts.

Item: My wish and desire is that all the balance of my negroes should remain on the plantation for the use of my wife Ameryllis Hilliard and all my sons and daughters viz: William H., John H., Mary B. M.A.M. I., Leah C. Ameryllis W., Rebecca B., and Robert C.T. Hilliard in one general stock until all my debts are paid or my son John H. Hilliard arrives to the age of twenty one years. I wish for all my negroes to be kept in one general stock and as my said children comes of age or marries they should be divided and he or she shall take of their part. I do constitute and appoint my son William H. Hilliard and my brother James Hilliard executors of this my last will and testament and I do also wish and appoint my friend Jacob Ing one of my executors of this my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this seventh day of January one thousand eight hundred and twenty eight.

Signed, sealed and acknowledged  
in the presence of

W.L. Hunt  
William Kea  
Lucy B. Lewis

State of North Carolina Nash county court, Feby term 1828

The foregoing last will and testament of Robert C. Hilliard <sup>James</sup> was duly proven in open court by the oaths of William Hunt and Am

Kea two of the subscribing witnesses thereto and on motion ordered

to be recordedp Attest, H Blount, C.C.C.  
and is recorded. Attest H Blount, C.C.C.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, NASH COUNTY. TO all to whom these presents shall come Greeting; Know ye that I Samuel Westray of the county and State aforesaid, for divers good causes and considerations me hereunto moving and for and in consideration of the natural love and affections that I have and bear for and toward the several persons hereinafter mentioned have given, granted, conveyed and confirmed and by these presents do hereby freely and absolutely give, grant, bargain, convey, alien, confirm and deliver unto them their heirs and assigns forever as follows to wit. I give unto my son Turner P. Westray all and singular my lands lying in the county aforesaid on Great Sappony creek known and called by the name of the Sandy place adjoining the lands of Jacob Barnes and others for quantity and courses see records, also also and singularly all of the lands of which I am seized and possessed in the county and state aforesaid, (except the lands and plantation whereon I now live and the two tracts called and known by the name of my Fishery creek plantation, as are hereinafter mentioned and disposed of) together with all wood, ways, water, mines, minerals, improvements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise thereunto attached unto him the said Turner P. Westray his heirs and assigns forever. I give unto my beloved wife Sally B. Westray all and singular the land and plantation whereon I now live, to her own proper use benefit and behoof for and during the term of her natural life (saving and excepting at all times the academy and twenty five acres of land around it which I give to my said son Turner P. Westray his heirs and assigns forever), and after the death of my said wife Sally B. Westray the land and plantation whereon I now live and which I have herein given to her during her life time, I give unto my said son Turner P. Westray to him his heirs and assigns forever.

I give unto daughter intermarried with Dr. John Arrington who previous to her said marriage was Martha Westray all the lower part of my fishing creek plantation in said county adjoining the lands of <sup>Samuel</sup> Walker and others and divided from the upper part by an old line from the Mines land to the creek which comprehends and includes and hereby is intended to comprehend and include the whole of the said lower tract unto her my said daughter Martha and the lawful heirs of her body forever, provided nevertheless that is my said daughter Martha should die without lawful issue her surviving then and in that case the said land together with all the appurtenances thereunto belonging to return unto my estate and be equally divided between the rest of my heirs. I also give to my said daughter in like manner and as above the upper part or tract of land on fishing creek adjoining the other or lower tract, the land of Eli B. Whitaker and others, on condition that she shall pay or cause to be paid unto James S. Battle his heirs or assigns or demand the