

In The Name of God, Amen. I Samuel Sorsby of Nash County, North Carolina, being sick and weak in body but in perfect mind and memory therefore calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing it is appointed for all men once to die, do make and ordain this my last will and testament principally and first of all. I give and recommend my soul into the hands of God that gave it, and my body to the earth, to be buried in a christian like and decent manner at the discretion of my executors. And as touching my worldly estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me with in this life I give, devise and dispose of the same in the following manner.

Imprimis: I give and bequeath unto my son William Sorsby all my land lying on the south of the Watersee River in the State of South Carolina, together with my negro man Robbin and one negro girl Hannah, and every other article that he the said William Sorsby has already carried away. Also out of my stock at home, I give him three cows and yearlings, seven head of sheep, and three sows and pigs to him and his heirs forever.

Item: I give and bequeath unto my son Alexander Sorsby the land and plantation whereon I now live in Nash County, North Carolina; one negro boy named Hardy; one negro girl named Hageko, one bay mare and Philly, one feather bed and furniture, one red chest, four rush bottom chairs, two pewter dishes, four plates, one bason, one rifle one musket. one still now planted on the land, two cows and yearlings, four head of sheep, two sows and pigs, one looking glass, one iron pot, one round maple table, one x cut saw, and all the rest of my working tools to him and his heirs forever.

Item: I give and bequeath unto my daughters Elizabeth B. Burge all the household furniture and stock, ~~that~~ she has already received. also I lend her the said Elizabeth B. Burge one negro boy named Simon during her natural life and after her death to be equally divided between the heirs of her body lawfully begotten to them and their heirs forever.

Item: I give and bequeath unto my soninlaw Archibald Davis all the household furniture and stock that he has already received, also I lend him the said Archibald one negro girl named Jane for the term of 21 years, and after the expiration of that time, I desire that the said negro girl Jane, with her increase may be equally divided between his two sons Alexander Davis and Balday Sorsby Davis, And if either of two children should die without an heir, my desire is that the surviving one shall be the sole heir at law.

Item: I give and bequeath unto my daughter Frances Sorsby one negro girl named Many one negro boy named Jim, One lot or half <sup>acre</sup> ~~line~~ of land in the Town of ~~Talborough~~ known and distinguished in the plan of the Town No. 6. one feather bed and furniture, one red chest with draws, one black walnut table, 4 rush bottom chairs, 1 linen wheel

one pewter dish, one D<sup>r</sup> Bason, two earthen dishes, six D<sup>r</sup> plates, one small iron pot, one case of knives and forks, one bay horse and saddle, two cows and yearlings, six head of sheep, two sows and pigs; one looking glass, one flat iron, and if my daughter Frances Sorsby, should die without lawful issue, my will and desire is that the negroes above devised (to wit) Chany and Jim should be equally divided between my children William Sorsby, Alexander Sorsby and Elizabeth B. Burge and their heirs.

Item: My father wills and desires is that my wife Elizabeth Sorsby have full privilege on the land and plantation (above devised to my son Alexander Sorsby) together with all the residue of my estate not above devised after paying all my just debts and funeral ~~expenses~~ charges during her life and after death the residue of my estate may be equally divided between my children Elizabeth B. Burge, William Sorsby, Francis Sorsby and Alexander Sorsby to them and their heirs forever. I also nominate and appoint my wife Elizabeth Sorsby my lawful executrix and my son Alexander Sorsby executor to this my last will and testament revoking all other wills or wills what soever heretofore made. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this fourteenth day of October, one thousand seven hundred and ninety.

his  
Samuel x Sorsby (Seal)  
mark

Signed, sealed and acknowledged  
in the presence of

Etheldred Jelks  
Samuel Manning  
H. Davis.

Nash County

August Term 1791.

The foregoing will was duly proven in open court by the oath of Etheldred Jelks and Samuel Manning two subscribing witnesses thereto and on motion ordered to be recorded.

Attest, Wm Hall, C.C.

and is recorded in obedience to the above order.

Attest, Wm Hall, C.C.

In The Name of God Amen I Henry Flowers of Nash County, and State of North Carolina being sick and weak of Body yet of perfect sound sense and memory thanks be to god for the same and on <sup>conside</sup>ration that life and sense is uncertain and that it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my last will and testament (viz).

First and principally I give and recommend my soul into the hands of God that gave it, my body/ I commit to the earth to be buried at the discretion of my executors hereafter named and as to what worldly estate it hath pleased almighty god to bless me with I give demise bequeath and dispose of the same in the following manner (viz)

Item: I lend unto my beloved wife Nanny Flowers the plantation and lands