

In the name of God Amen. I, James Mills of the County of New Hanover, and State of North Carolina, being sick and weak of body, but thanks be to God in perfect mind and memory, calling to mind the mortality of my body, and to prevent disputes that may hereafter arise in my family, do constitute this my last will and Testament,

1st. I desire that the land with its appurtenances whereon I now live, may be sold for the purpose of discharging my debts, the overplus if any to be disposed of at the discretion of my executor for the education of my younger children.

2nd. I give and bequeath my son James, one bay horse called Prince.

3rd. I give and bequeath my two sons Shadrach and Frederick, and my two daughters Mary and Dorothy a Cow, and a calf each. The remaining part of my property I desire may be equally divided between my six younger children, a Negro woman called Pleasant only excepted, who I wish to remain with the children that now live with me, while they stay together, and on their separation I desire she may be sold and the money arising divided between my five younger children, Mary, James, Shadrach, Frederick, and Dorothy.

And I hereby constitute and appoint my son Leonard Mills and William Jones Executors to carry this will into execution.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 17th day of June 1795.

Signed, Sealed and acknowledged

James Mills Seal

in the presence of this
Ephraim & Powers
witness

The last will and Testament of James Mills was admitted into Court at September Term 1795, and proved by the oath of Ephraim Powers a subscribing witness thereto according to law, at the same time Leonard Mills therein named qualified as Executor thereto.

J. Gibbs. D. C. M.