

In the name of God Amen: I, Jacob Eason being of sound mind and memory, do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner following, that is to say, First I give and bequeath unto my wife Rozannah Eason, one bed, bedstead and furniture, one loom and gill, one hand mill, two year old hogs, her spinning affiair, also plentiful of corn and meat for her provisions for one year. Secondly, I give to my son William Eason which I leave by my wife Rozannah, the remainder of my estate when sold, to him and his heirs, administrators and assigns forever. Provided my Executors shall retain in their hands the said amount after his schooling untill he arrives at the age of twenty one year old. And I leave my worthy friends John Bunting and John Potts Executors to this my last Will and Testament. Signed, sealed and delivered as my last Will and Testament in presence of this 18th of December, 1822

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Jacob Eason (Seal)

The last Will of Jacob Eason rendered to Court May Term 1823 and proved by Samuel Bunting & subscribing witnesses and ordered to be recorded.

Witness

Thos H Davis. Clk,

In the name of God Amen. I, Joseph Eagles of the County of New Hanover, in the State of North Carolina, being of sound and disposing mind and memory, do publish and declare this instrument of writing to contain my last Will and Testament. In witness whereof, it is my desire that my Executors hereinafter named shall pay off my debts, as soon as they can effect the same, and to enable them to do which, I do hereby give them full power and authority, to sell and dispose of as they or a majority of them, or the survivor or survivors of them may think proper, any part of my estate real or personal. And it is my wish also that my Executors if they should think proper, continue to work my lands with my slaves, as I myself might do were I living. I give, devise and bequeath unto my beloved wife, over and above that portion of my estate, she may be entitled to by the laws of the State, my house and lot in the town of Wilmington, together with my household and kitchen furniture, and

plate of every description; and also as many of my household
as she may require for and during her life, unless my said wife
should prefer selling the same, to effect the payment of my debts,
in that event it is my wish, she should signify her consent by her
executing the deed for the said lot jointly with my Executors as
above directed.

Item. It is my wish and desire that my Executors support my
family out of the proceeds of my estate, in such style and manner
as they may think proper, and that they shall in no way be
accountable for the expences in doing so.

Lastly. I do hereby nominate, constitute and appoint my friend
Thomas H Davis Senr, Thomas H Davis Junr, and John Cox my
Executors to carry this my will into effect. I do also appoint
my said friend John Cox of Edenton in the State aforesaid
- ardin to all my children. In witness whereof I have hereunto
set my hand and seal this 17th day of June A D 1827.
Signed, Sealed and delivered } In: Eagle's. Seal
in presence of
Saml Langdon
Gabel Holmes &c

Further, it is my will that as my negro man shoed Mingo
has behaved himself with fidelity and ability, as my overseer or
manager, that he be continued in that station or employment,
and that the sum of sixty dollars be annually paid him by
my Executors in quarterly payments in advance; and in the
event of his future misbehavior, so that he be considered as
no longer worthy of being retained in the aforesaid station
or employment of overseer, or manager, then I direct that he
perform the labor of any other of my slaves; but still in con-
- sideration of past services that he be treated with all kin-
- ness and indulgence consistent with propriety, and that the
yearly sum of thirty dollars be paid him. As to the point of
merit or demerit of Mingo, I desire my brother in law Tho
H Davis esq, to represent me, and decide. Further, it is
my will that Mingo be one of the negroes allotted to my wife
as I think, this disposition of him will be of comfort with the
general interests of my family.

I do hereby certify and declare that Joseph Eagles esq. the
testator, did on the night of the 19th of June instant, he being then
of perfect sound and disposing mind and memory, call us
him, and dictate the foregoing as part of his last will and test-
- ment, and required us to take notice thereof, and reduced the same
to writing, and take all necessary steps to authenticate the same.

Given under our hands this 20th day of June 1827
 J. Moore
 James Hyson

New Hanover County } County Court December Term 1827

The within will was exhibited in open Court and proved by Gabriel Holmes Jury, at the same time a Codicil to the said will was proved by the oaths of Alfred Moore and James Hyson, ordered to be recorded. At the same time Thomas H. Davis qualified as Executor, thereto

Witness

Thos H Davis. Clk

Know all men by these presents, That I Jacob Edens, of the County of New Hanover, and State of North Carolina, being weak in body, but perfectly in my senses, thanks be to God for the same, considering the uncertainty of this mortal life, do make this my last will and Testament, in manner as follows:

First, I give my soul to him that gave it me, and my body to the dust, to be buried in a christianlike manner by my friends or Executors
 Item 2nd. I give my two daughters Tilly and Ann Edens one feather bed and furniture to each of them and their heirs forever.

I give my gun to my son in law Riley and his heirs.

My wish and desire is, the rest of my property, not otherwise disposed of, be sold and all my just debts paid, and the balance to be equally divided between my three young st daughters, viz, Tilly, Ann, and Sarah Edens, to them and their heirs forever.

I also appoint my son in law John Riley Executor and Manager of the same. June 2nd 1832

Signed, sealed, in the presence of us, to be his last will, and by his request have subscribed our names as witnesses

Jacob Edens. Seal

William Sidbury

Peter Batson

New Hanover County } County Court. December Term 1835

The within last will and Testament of Jacob Edens, exhibited to Court and proved by William Sidbury, subscribing witness, and ordered to be recorded; at the same time John Riley qualified as Executor.

Witness

Thos H Davis. Clk