

Richard Bowden deceased is exhibited in open Court, and duly proven by the oath of William H Hand Esq one of the subscribing Witnesses thereto whereupon it is considered by the Court that the same is the last Will and Testament of said Richard Bowden and as such ordered to be recorded and filed at the same time John C Bowden and David M. Intire the Executors therein named duly qualified as such.

Teste

L H Marsteller clk.

In the Name of God Amen I Mary Bludworth of the County of New Hanover and State of North Carolina, being weak in body but strong in mind do make and publish this my last Will and Testament in manner and form as follows.

1st I give and bequeath unto my Nephew John A Bludworth my Negro girl Julia Prisilla daughter of my Negro woman Julia to him and to his heirs.
2nd I give and bequeath unto my Nephew Jeremiah Hand my Negro Mary Ann daughter of my Negro woman Amado Prisilla to him and heirs.
3rd I give and bequeath unto my Niece Margaret H Hand my Negrowoman Amanda Prisilla to her and her heirs.
4th I give and bequeath unto my Nephew William A Bludworth my Negro woman Julia and her Children Namely Eliza, Peter, Andrew, Almira Francis I also give and bequeath unto my aforesaid Nephew William A Bludworth the Land whereon I now live containing two hundred acres with all the improvements with the consideration that my aforesaid Nephew William A Bludworth pay to the Board of foreign Missions the sum of fifty dollars to be paid by annual payments of ten dollars untill the whole of the above sum of Fifty Dollars is paid.

It is my desire that my friends give me a decent burial and the expences be paid by legatees in proportion to their Legacy. also all my just debts.

I do constitute and appoint my Nephew William A Bludworth my lawful Executor to execute this my last Will and Testament to all intents and purposes. I do hereby publish and declare this my last Will and Testament this the 27th day of February 1847. Signed Sealed published and declared by the testatrix to be her last Will and Testament in the

presence of
Duncan Henderson
T. J. Bloodworth

Mary Bludworth

Wm A. Bludworth
Jeremiah Hand } Execs.

State of North Carolina
New Hanover County Court

September Term

1848

This paper writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Mary Bludworth es produced to Court and duly proven by the Oaths of Duncan Henderson and T. J. Bludworth the subscribing Witnesses thereto whereupon it is considered by the Court that the same is the last Will and Testament of said Mary Bludworth and as such ordered to be recorded and filed; and William A. Bludworth the Executor thereto named duly qualified as such

Teste L H Marsteller clk