

William Vassworthy's Will

In the name of God Amen I William Vassworthy of Orange County in the Province of Carolina, being sick & weak but in perfect & most memory thanks be to Almighty God, Do make & ordain this my last will in manner following to wit I give & bequeath my soul to God that gave it & my body to the earth to be buried at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named, I give & bequeath unto my Daughter Peggy Vassworthy all my lands whereon I now live to her this her heirs forever with all the rest of my Estate of what nature or kind soever to her this her heirs forever. And lastly I appoint my Daughter Peggy Vassworthy my whole sole executrix of this my last will & testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal this 29th day of Jan^y 1779. in the Presence of us John Vassworthy & used
Hansford Flowers, John McGehee, J. McElhatche

Northampton County Jst Gen^l Court 1780.

This will of William Vassworthy was proven by the oath of Hansford Flowers one of the subscribing witnesses thereto & Peggy Vassworthy Qualifies as executrix & binds to her & assigns the same. Test J^{ph} Altherlin & Co

John Brittle's Will

In the name of God Amen I John Brittle of the County of Northampton in State of Carolina, being in perfect health & sound memory (thanks be to God for it) knowing it is appointed for all mankind, Do make & ordain this my last will & testament as follows.

- I give & bequeath unto my son Jesse Brittle this his heirs forever three hundred acres of Land together with the plantation whereon I now live, also two negroes Jeffery & Hannahs find heirs of cattle & two feather birds & furniture in case my son Jesse dies without lawful issue my will & desire is that the 1/2 of my estate fall to my son Britain Brittle this his heirs forever
- I give & bequeath unto my son Britain Brittle this his

his heirs forever two hundred & thirty acres of Land joining the land & plantation given to my son Jesse Brittle, also a orchard lying on the River on a tract of land also two negroes & two feather birds & furniture & five head of cattle In case my son Britain dies without lawful issue my will & desire is that the 1/2 of my estate fall to my son Jesse Brittle this his heirs forever.

- I leave the use of one hundred acres of Land to the same more or less & bounded as follows, to wit, beginning at Howell's Corner on Dick's Branch thence along Dick's Branch to a corner of Benjⁿ Branch thence along Branch's line to a point standing in the Gap by the road thence along a line of marked trees to a point standing in the Buzzard Branch thence down the 1st Branch to Dick's Branch & down the same to the first station to my son Benjⁿ Brittle & wife during life & after death of their lives & give the said land to my grandson Rowling Brittle this his heirs forever in case my grandson Rowling dies without lawful issue my will & desire is that the said land fall to my grandson Phillips Brittle this his heirs forever.

- I give & bequeath unto my daughter Milla Harbary one negro boy called Isaac one horse & one saddle & one bed of furniture to her this her heirs forever. And in case my daughter Milla dies without lawful issue my will & desire is that the said land fall to my son Jesse this his heirs forever.

- I give & bequeath unto my son William Brittle this his heirs forever one hundred pounds current money of Virginia.

- I give & bequeath unto Sarah Brown one hundred pounds current money of Virginia one feather bed & furniture also one horse & one saddle to her this her heirs forever.

- My will & desire is that after all my just debts are paid that all the remainder part of my Estate of all kinds whatsoever be equally divided between my son Jesse & Britain Brittle.

- I do constitute & appoint my sons Jesse Brittle & Britain my whole sole Executors of this my last will & testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this twenty 1st of

Day of December one thousand seven hundred and seventy eight

John Brattle & son

signed sealed published & attested in presence of us,

Randolph Ma Dow, Zachariah Ma Dow, John Edmunds,

Stimpson County St. Jan^y 1st 1780.

This was also known by the oath of John Edmunds one of the subscribing witnesses thereto & John Brattle & John Brattle & son the Qualifiers as aforesaid, ordered to be Certified & Recorded

Test Jeph. A. Thurston Secy

Lucia Williamson Will

In the name of God amen I Lucia Williamson of the County of M^c in the State of North Carolina being weak & low but of sound mind & disposing memory do make this my last will & testament in Man^{er} & form following.

I give unto my loving wife Priscilla Williamson during her life an negro, to wit, Woodley Hannah Samuels, Rachel Jubilee also I give unto my loving wife a tract or parcel of Land during her widowhood beginning at the little path by Hogwounds then a long the 2^d path to a white Oak in a pond then to the head of a branch which was the dividing line between David Hyde & Thos Williamson then down the said branch then hundred yds to the South to Wells Spring Branch then down the Spring Branch to the New Creek then down the S. Creek to a fork lying line along his line to his corner then along James Williamson line to the river line then along River line to the Road then down the S. Road to the first Station.

Item I give & bequeath unto my son Benjamin Mc Dow Williamson all my lands on both sides of Parkers Creek containing by estimation two thousand eight hundred acres be the same more or less, also the following negroes to wit, Anthony, Wadsworth, Melate, Jack, Lidea, Davy, Tony, Jibby, Henry, Harry, the women Fanny, John, Kate, Grace, children Paul, Fanny, daughter of Paul Sarah, also half of the New Horse King Herod one Bay Turnright filly, also one half of the Stockhorn

Black Cattle Sheep Hogs, Hives, feather beds & furniture or any other part of my household furniture or any other plantation utensils that my beloved wife thinks she can best spare also a tract of Land in Warren County adjoining Francis Noyton also a parcel of land in Halifax County known by Tuckers Harrow Suters & Perrys containing four hundred Acres more or less which this will bequeaths forever but it is my will & desire that my son should not receive his Estate until he comes to the age of twenty one years or more.

Item I give unto my daughter Priscilla Williamson all my Lands below the Roanoke River from William Eatons Ferry to Hixsford, also I give negroes to wit, Hattie, Suskey, Milkey, John, Eliza, Charlat to her & her heirs forever also one half of her land of furniture.

Item I give to my daughter Rebecca Williamson one tract or parcel of Land beginning on the Road where Gelliams line crosses the S. Road then along the Road to Eatons line then by Eatons line Kings, Hytes Johnsons Gelliams to the first Station also I give negroes to wit, Dick, Frank, Melly, Patty, Jim, Robin also one father beds & furniture to her & her heirs forever.

Item I give unto my daughter Sarah Williamson a tract or parcel of Land lying in Halifax County on both sides of Great Creek beginning at Jacksons line where the mile path crosses it then East to the low ground up the low ground to the lower part of the canal that the mile stands on then a straight line to the mouth of a branch that Henry Dawson lived on then up the branch to Run Chins Ferry, on the Road, then down the road to the fork then along Marshalls Millers line to Great Creek then up the said Creek to Abston Jackson line to the first Station also I give negroes to wit, Billy, Betty, Nancy, Abram, Daphny, Port Royal, old Pells also one father beds & furniture to her & her heirs forever.

Item I give unto my daughter Martha Mc Dow a tract or