

Item I give & bequeath unto my son Thomas the Plantations which he now lives in at Northampton County, on the South side of Wild Cat Swamp to him & his heirs or assigns forever. I also give to my son Thomas one Negro David for nine years of which time the said Negro to be equally divided between my sons Francis & Solomon hereafter mentioned to them & their heirs forever.

Item I give & bequeath unto my son Michael one tract of Land by estimation six Hundred & fifty Acres in Northampton County lying on the ground branch to him his heirs or assigns forever.

Item I give & bequeath unto my son Francis all the land I purchased of William Hill to him his heirs or assigns forever. I also give my son Francis one Negro girl Susannah & her increase to him & his heirs and assigns forever.

Item I give the quarter to my son Solomon one plantation lying in Northampton County on the South side of Broadway Road which I purchased of John Long Cotton to him his heirs or assigns forever. I also give to my son Solomon one Negro girl Kate & her increase to him his heirs or assigns forever.

Item I give all my Negroes not heretofore mentioned with all my other Estate whatsoever, after my just debts be paid of funeral expences, to be equally divided among my following Children, William Mitchell, Francis, Charlotte & Solomon, when my son Francis shall come to the age of twenty one years to be equally divided in quantity & quality according to the judgment of Thomas Brantley, John B. Hunt & William Blunt, to them & their heirs or assigns forever.

Also Appoint my sons William Thomas & Michael, whole sole exors of this my last will & testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal this 30th day of March A.D. 1770.

Signed Seal & Delivered in presence of
Thomas Brantley, James B. Hunt, William Blunt
Northampton County 11th Decr 1770. This will of Francis B. Loach was proven by the oath of Thomas Brantley James B. Hunt & William Thomas & Michael B. Loach were qualified as Exors & ordered to be certified & recorded. John Miller Jones & Co

William Bryan's Will

In the name of God Amen. I William Bryan of Northampton County & Province of North Carolina, being at present very sick & weak in body, but in sound mind & memory, thank be to God therefore, Calling to mind the mortality of my body, & considering that I shall be soon called to the account of my doings, I do hereby make this my last will & testament in manner & form following that is to say first & principally I Commit my soul into the hands of all mighty God, hoping to have full & full pardon for all my sins, & to inherit everlasting life, as for my body I Commit it to the ground from whence it was taken to be buried in a Christian like decent manner at the discretion of my & I hereafter named in touching all due testamentary & other as it shall please almighty God to bestow upon me, I give & dispose thereof as follows to wit.

First of all I would that all my real debts & funeral Charges be paid & discharged,

Item I give the use of the plantation at herons Head with two hundred & twenty acres of land to my loving wife Jane Bryan during her natural life, & after her decease I give the same with the same to my beloved son William Bryan & his heirs.

Item I give the quarter to my Daughter Barbara Mitchell that plantation whereon she now lives with thirty acres of land, to her & her heirs.

All the rest of my Estate Goods & Chattels within Doors & without I give to be equally divided between my wife & my son William & my two Daughters Martha & Abigail. And I am constituted appoint my Brother Bryan & my loving wife Jane Bryan my whole sole Exors & of this my last will & testament nothing & I am making & making void all other wills heretofore made by me.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this
25th day of May 1770. ^{his} William Morgan 

signed ~~each~~ ^{name} in favor of us who subscribe as set upon
 Wm. Lloyd, James Bryant.

Northampton County St. Deas Court 1770.

This will of William Bryan (deceased) proven by the Oaths of John Black & James Bryant & Jane Bryant Qualifies as Executors
Ordered to be Certified & recorded. Teste William Jones Ck.

Henry Gaudreau Will

North Carolina In the name of God amen I Henry Lawson
of Northampton County ^{in the} Precincts aforesaid, being of sound & perfect
mind & memory, Thanks be to God, but Calling to mind the mortal-
ity of mankind & knowing it is appointed for all men once to
seele make & ordain Constitute & appoint this my last will
& testament, in manner & form following to wit:

And I give to my son John Dawson, his heirs & assigns forever my Plantation & all the lands therunto belonging, which I bought of Thomas Hart in the County of Edgecomb or Townsh. Swamp & in Case my said son John die before he arrive to a full age or marriage, then I give the said land & Plantation to my son Stephen Dawson, his heirs & assigns forever.

• Here I give to my son Henry Rawson his heirs or assigns the following tracts of land lying in the County of Northampton to wit: One hundred acres being the plantation whereon I have bin, also one hundred acres of land which I bought of William Cotton & Eliza his wife, in said County, & also two tracts joining each other on Roanoke River in this law grounds containing about three hundred & twenty acres each tract: & also three hundred acres in said County being the plantation ^{which} old John Rawson ~~was~~ bought of John Wilson in said County. & in case my said son Henry Rawson die before he arrives to lawful age or marriage, then I give all the lands mentioned to him to my son Stephens except three hundred acres bought of John Wilson.

Now I give Shigumath unto my son Stephen. I reserve his heirs
or assigns forever the following tracts of land in the County
of Edgcomb to wit; two tracts of land on two sides Con-
taining about seven hundred aers, also one tract lying
in Conants Neck, containing about three hundred aers

Here I give the watch to my loving Wife Portia (Dawson) her hair
or a sign, one negro woman named Frank.

Then I give & bequeath with the Remainder of my whole Estate consist-
 ing of every kind whatsoever, that is not herein before men-
 tioned or given in Legacies, to be Equally Divided between
 my wife Patience my three sons herein before & my two
 Daughters Mary Dawson & Patsy Dawson & their heirs &
 assigns, share and share alike, Lastly I nominate Con-
 stitute & appoint my loving Wife Patience & my Trusty
 Friend & Beloved John Kinchen Wth Vears, of this my
 last will & Testament, hereby revoking & annulling
 all other Wills by me heretofore made, In witness where-
 of I have hereunto set my hand & seal, this 5th day of Dec^r 18th
 signed sealed & ^{published} confirmed by... Henry Dawson & as a
 Justice Henry Dawson to be his last will & Testament in presence of
 us, ^{his} Magistrates, William Simon, William Williams
 & it known to all men by these presents that whereas Henry
 Dawson of the County of Northampton Province of North
 Carolina has made & declared my last will & Testament
 in writing, bearing date 5th day of December in the year of
 our Lord one thousand seven hundred & thirty seven, I the said Henry
 Dawson do by this presents Codicil confirm & ratify my
 last will & Testament & do give & bequeath unto my son Stephen
 Dawson, all that messuage or tract of land & bought of
 John Wardell, situate lying & being in the County of Edgecombe
 with the appurtenances, to have & to hold to him, his heirs
 forever, also all my stock of Cattle & Hogs on the said to-
 mow, to have & to hold to him his heirs forever, and my
 will & meaning is that the Codicil or schedule be & be ad-
 judged part & parcel of my said last will & Testament.