

my hand seal this 30<sup>th</sup> day of May 1770.

Signed sealed in presence of Robert Washington & Sarah  
John Sawyer Elizabeth Washington Sarah Abraham  
Northampton County 30 Sept Cest 1770.

This wife of Robert Washington and witness by the oath  
of Elizabeth Washington Sarah Abraham, and Agnes  
Washington & Benjamin Washington qualifieas, Esq.  
On Motion ordered to be recorded & recorded.

Decr 27 1770 Teste Miller James Oct  
That Edwards was first as executors of this will. Ordered &c  
John Miller James Oct

Hopkin Howell Will

In the name of God Amen July the 24<sup>th</sup> day of 1766  
I Hopkin Howell of Northampton County being in a low state  
of health & expecting to die giving my soul to God & my body  
to the earth to be buried in a Christian like manner  
Item I give & bequeath to my Daughter Elizabeth Howell on  
Plantation & Parc of land lying on the Cypros Swamp  
on South west side of the Spring Branch to her forever to use  
and furniture there laws of pegs & circa for bread in sufficiency  
Item I leave the use of my nearest Plantation & land belonging  
to it to my wife and Elizabeth Howell during her natural  
life & after her decease I give & bequeath the said Plantation  
land lying & being on the Cypros Swamp & of the east  
side of the Spring Branch to my Daughter Sarah Howell to  
her own disposal.  
Item unto my wife Elizabeth Howell one half of a negro & my  
Stock of Hogs & Cattle & Household Goods & my Crop of Corn  
& one Horse & one mares foal named Lindlaw during her  
natural life & after her decease for my Stock & Horse  
& Household Furniture to be equally Divided between my  
two daughters Elizabeth & Sarah Howell & my negro & foal  
law to be sold & the money to be five Pounds for my Son  
Robert Howell, his Heirs & Assigns for my Son William Howell.

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and the rest to be equally Divided between my daughter Mary  
Bark & my daughter Anne Hickman.

Also I leave to be sold at my decease one tract of Land beginning against  
the corner of James Bottoms old field & running about of markt  
Tres to the head of a Branch called the Old Branch & down that  
to the main Spring Branch, then up that to the head, then along  
a line of markt Tres, to the corner in the said line & down the  
side line to the beginning, to be sold to discharge my debts.

Also I give & bequeath to my son Henry Howell the sum of one  
Shilling Sterling, to him this heirs.

Also I give & bequeath to my son Harry Howell the sum of one Shilling  
Sterling to him this heirs.

Also I leave my sons Robert & William Howell my whole & sole  
ex: of this my last alld Testament given under my hand &  
seal the day & year aforesaid Hopkin Howell <sup>his</sup> mark  
Signed sealed & witness in the presence of  
Jacob Williams, Nicholas <sup>his</sup> mark  
Northampton County 23 Sept Cest 1770 - This will of  
Hopkin Howell aforesaid was proved on the death of Elizabeth  
Bark and Jacob Williams to be valid to be certified  
& Recorded - Teste Miller Jones.

Francis Detouchet of Will-

In the name of God Amen I Francis Detouchet of  
Northampton County North Carolina being very sick  
& weak in body, but of sound spirit & mind  
thankful to almighty God, therefore and calling to mind the certainty  
of death do make this my last will & testament.

I will & desire I give & bequeath my soul to Almighty God  
that gave it me in sure & certain hope of the glorious  
Resurrection unto eternal life, and my body to be  
buried at the descretions of my friends & relations  
Item I give & bequeath it to my Will and the Plan to whom  
I now leave to him his heirs & assigns forever -

Item I give & bequeath unto my Son Thomas the Plantation shewd he now lives in Northampton County on the South side of White Cat Swamp to him & his heirs or assigns forever. I also give to my Son Thomas our Negro David for nine years of which time the said Negro to be equally divided between my Sons Francis & Solomon hereof 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 said branch to him his heirs or assigns forever.

Item. I give & bequeath unto my Son Francis all the land known on the South side of the Cappo Swamp which 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 plantation to my Son Solomon our Planter lying in Northampton County on the South side of Broaday Roaco, which I purchased of John Long Cotton to him & his heirs or assigns forever. I also give to my Son John one our negro Girl hat other Increase, to him his heirs or assigns forever.

Item. I give all my Negroes not heretofore mentioned with all my other Estates whatsoever, after my just debts be paid off, to my wife Jane Blunt, to be equally divided among my following Children, William Michael, Francis, Charlotte & Solomon, when my son Francis shall come to the age of twenty One years, to be equally dividing in Quantity & Quality according to the Judgment of Francis Brantley, John Blunt & William Blunt, to them & their heirs or assigns forever. And to appoint my Sons William Thomas & Michael whole sole & sole of this my last will & Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal this 31<sup>st</sup> day of March A.D. Dom 1770.

Signed, Sealed & Delivered in presence of  
Thomas Brantley, James Sikes, William Blunt

Northampton County NC Mar 31 1770. This will of Francis Brantley was proven by the Oath of Thomas Brantley, James Sikes & William Thomas & Michael Blunt who were qualified executors. Ordered to be certified & recorded. Teste Willm Jones C.R.

William Bryan & Hill

In the name of God amn. I William Bryan of Northampton County Province of North Carolina, being at present very sick & weak in body, but in sound mind & memory, make this my last will & Testament. Calling to mind the mortality of my Body, & constituting & ordaining this my last will & Testament in manner & form following that is to say first & principally I Commit my soul into the hands of almighty God, hoping to have 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 wife hereafter named, as touching all such temporal Estate as it hath, please almighty God to bestow upon me, I give & dispose thereof as followeth.

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

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

Item I give the plantation to my daughter Barbara Mabry her plantation when she marries with forty acres of land, to her heirs. All the rest of my Estate Goods & Chattels within doors & without I give to be equally dividing between my wife & my son William & my two Daughters Martha & Abigail, and I Constitutionally appoint my Brother Bryan & my living wife Jane Bryan my whole estate & all the rest of this my last will & Testament so long as I am alive & making use of all other abilities before made by me