

of my body with the rest of their Brothers
that is to say, I and Edward Collins, Edward
Schmather and John Collins being
Lived Long by my second Wife

Item I give to my Daughter-in-law Elizabeth
Collins and her three children four Heirs with
their first Calves

I do hereby nominate and appoint my Son
Isaac Collins and my trusting friend Samuel
Williams and William Williams of Martin
County my whole & sole executors of this
my Last Will & Testament Signed with my
Hand & sealed with my Seal this 6th day
of September in the year of our Lord 1782
In the presence of us

Thaddeus Rutland
James Maddox

John Collins & Seal
R.B.

The Wills brought of
Possessed the 1st Heirs back Children Children
Children divided of Martin & Rutland before
Signed

Northampton County 2d September 1780
This Will was exhibited into Court & proved
on the Oath of Thomas Rutland and James
Maddox Witnesses thereto. On Motion Ordered
to be certified & Recorded

Isaac & Haynes Cts.

In the name of God amen, the 30th day of January in
the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and
eighty three, I John Duke of Northampton County North
Carolina being in perfect mind and memory thanks
be to almighty God for the same & calling to mind
that it is appointed for all men to die, I do hereby
make and declare this to be my last will & Testament
hereby recommending of my soul into the hands of my
Redeemer and my body to be buried at the discretion
of my executors hereafter named, and as touching
my worldly estate which will it hath pleased God
God to bless me with, my just debts & funeral expenses
being first paid by my said executors I give & dispose
of the same in the following manner.

Item It is my will & desire that my beloved wife Sarah
Duke do have equal use of my plantation whereon
I live & the lands thereunto belonging & attached hereto
this my said will also that she do have privilege of man-
aging use of any of my other lands hereto before given
for her support she not to hinder & disturb my daughter
Mary her husband and family living with her in the
now dwelling house and making use with her of my
land & plantation for the support & quit with herself
and it is further my will & desire that my children
to be & remain as one family.

Item I give & bequeath unto my said wife my negro
named Will, Charles, Sam, Luke, Hager & her sons
Gideon & Grant to her & her disposal.

Item I give & bequeath unto my daughter Ann Sam my
two negro named Joe & Sarah to her & her disposal.

Item I give & bequeath unto my two grandsons John & Joseph
Sam my two negro boys I have already bestowed
them & in their possession to them & their heirs forever.

Item I give & bequeath unto my Grand Daughter Charlotte
Sam my negro girl named Lucy & her increase which
is now in her father Joseph Sam my possession to her &
her heirs forever.

Item I give & Bequeath unto my Grandson John Willard my negro woman named Senah & her increase, which is now in his mother's possession, & to a negro man named Senah to him & his heirs forever.

Item I give devise & bequeath unto my Grand daughter Christian Wadgate my negro woman named Hester and her increase to her & her heirs forever.

Item I give & bequeath unto my Grand daughter Sarah Willard my negro woman named Belinda & her increase to her & her heirs forever, her mother to keep her in possession till of age or married.

Item I give & bequeath unto my daughter Margaret Willard my negro boy named James & twenty pounds Virginia Currency in full for his part of my estate besides what she has already received to her & her heirs forever.

Item I give devise & bequeath unto my Grandson John Wadgate all that part of my land called the Great Neck whereon my father Thomas White now lives together with a part of my other lands that I have taken up adjoining it and is bound round as follows, Beginning at mine & John Armisteads Corner where said standing near the North west Corner of the said Armisteads plantation, on the north side of the main road & running from thence a crop the said road to his and my line to a corner Dogwood tree standing on my land, and from thence on the said Armisteads & my line to the corner of my new surveyed land from thence on my line by my the line of Wilson Rutland and William Greenbury Rutland Neal dead and my line to a white oak in the said line and from thence a line of marked trees to the first station it being a line that I made for the division of that part of my land & my home plantation which said land is by my computation five hundred Acres in the same more or less, a negro boy named Allen with twenty pounds to him & his heirs and assigns forever, only reserving his father Thomas White the use of the whole land during his life.

Item I give devise & bequeath unto my son in law Thomas White my negro named Matt Denney, Dilla, Sam, Miller, Bazar and Adams my father's bed & furniture & my large Copper Kettle to him & his heirs & assigns forever.

Item I give & bequeath unto my Grand daughter Catharine ⁴⁶⁶ White my negro boy named Stephen & his heirs forever, Item I give & bequeath unto my Grandson Joseph White my negro woman named Cato and her child to him & his heirs forever.

Item I give devise & bequeath unto my daughter Mary Lawrence my negroes named Dick Jacob and Sally and Habel and the increase of the said Sally & Habel which was delivered her at her day of marriage, & also all my plantation and land & tenements lying on, which I now live with all the land that I purchased of James Wood and John Mamon and have taken up & accepting what I have sold and given unto my said Grandson John Dake white in this my said will according to the most known and reputed bounds thereof to her and her heirs and assigns forever, only reserving my living wife Sarah Dake to have the use of it & among her life for her support.

Item I give devise & bequeath unto my said wife my riding chair & a rug, and all my household except what will not be required to my daughter Mary, also the one half of all my stock of Cattle, hogs and sheep, also the one half of all my household and kitchen furniture to her and her disposal.

Item I give & bequeath unto my daughter Mary Lawrence all the other half of my Cattle, sheep & hogs, and my two largest looking Glasses, two Mahogany Tables, made to eight do chairs, my best Copper Kettle, Bell Mettle Skittle and my Gray mare, and the one half of my kitchen & house hold furniture (so as to include the furniture above mentioned, besides the beds & other things delivered her when married, to her and to her heirs forever.

Item I give & bequeath unto my Grandson John Lawrence my negro girl named Sally and my silver watch to him & his heirs forever.

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my negr boy named Jip to him this time forever
Lastly I do hereby constitute, ordain and appoint
my beloved wife Sarah Duke and my son in law John
Lawrence and Thomas White to be my sole and sole exe-
cutors of this my last will & testament hereby revoking
and making null and void former Wills and Testaments
by me made and this only to be my last will & Testament
In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed
my seal at Law near Herin before written,
Signed sealed published and declared John Duke & assent
by the testator to be his last will & Testament
in presence of
John Bull John Sawwethy,
Thomas Tharrock Robert Lawrence)

Northampton County 1st June Court 1784
Then this will was proved by the oaths of John Sawwethy
& Thomas Tharrock by the affirmation of John Bull
& Robert Lawrence & at the same time John Lawrence
& Thomas White qualified as executors, ordered to
be certified & Recorded Test Walter Haynes Clerk

Henry Daffins Will

In the name of God amen I Henry Daffin of Halifax
County and State of North Carolina, being sick & weak
of body but of sound sense and memory, thanks be to almighty
God for the same and in Consideration that life & sense
is uncertain do make constitute and ordain this to
be my last will & Testament.
Imprimis I give & commend my soul into the hands of
almighty God that gave it and as to my worldly Estate
I give demise and dispose of in manner and form following
I give to my loving wife Nancy Daffin the following
legacy given her by her grand mother lawit one fraction
and furniture twenty pounds Virginia money more

in her fathers hands, also the legacy given her by her father
lawit, a negro boy named Alld, one blue shirt, one linen
whet, my mare her bridle and saddle of ten barrels
of corn to her and her heirs forever
Item, If my loving wife Nancy Daffin shall have a
Child within six months born of her Body from the date
here after mentioned and to live to the age of Eighteen
years, or to be lawfully married I give thigumath to the
said Child the land and plantation whereon I now live
also the following negrars (lawit, Kingdon Samuel &
Lucy to said Child its heirs and assigns forever, but
if the said Child do never arrive to the above said age
of Eighteen years or lawfully married then I give
and bequeath the above said land and negrars (lawit,
Kingdon Samuel and Lucy to my Nephew Henry Daffin
son of my Brother John Daffin to him his heirs & assigns
forever.

Item, I positively order that the rest & residue of my Estate
to be publickly sold and all my just debts to be paid of the
money thence arising and the remainder of said money I
give to my Sister Fannima Bryant for the support of her
Childern.

Lastly I appoint my brother John Daffin executor of this
my last will & Testament hereby disannulling and taking
all other wills & Testaments by me made and do ratify
and confirm this and more other to be my last will &
Testament, In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand
and seal this twenty fifth day of December Anno
Dom 1786.
Signed sealed delivered Henry Daffin & assent
In presence of us
Robt. Lasy George Daffin

Northampton County December Court 1788
This will of Henry Daffin dead was exhibited unto Court
proved by the oath of Robt. Lasy and George Daffin
at the same time John Daffin qualified executor
thereof which in motion was ordered to be certified
and Recorded
W. Haynes Clk