

The preceding will of Masos Hall was exhibited into Court and proven on the solemn affirmation of Joseph West one of the subscribing Witnesses thereto, at the same time Robert Fuller was qualified a Justice thereof, which in motion was ordered to be certified & recorded  
 John Edwards Clerk

Nathaniel Howells Will

In the name of God Amen, I Nathaniel Howells of Northampton County & Province of North Carolina being sick & weak but of sound memory and calling to mind the uncertainty of life have thought fit to settle my business in manner of form as followeth

- Item I give the sum of 5000 to my Daughter Manna Howells on the 1st day of June next, to be paid in 12 equal parts, each of 416 6 2/3, on the 1st day of June in each year, until she shall be 21 years of age.
- Item I give the sum of 5000 to my Son Frederick Howells of Plantations wherein I reside with all the appurtenances thereunto belonging to him his heirs & assigns forever.
- Item I give unto my Son John Howells all the rest of my movable estate of what ever kind it may consist to be sold for money and the profit for the said John Howells in the hands of my Executors hereafter named, until the said John Howells shall be twenty years of age, & then my Executors to account with him for the same & in case my son John Howells die before he is twenty full years of age, then all his property of estate to fully & absolutely to fall to my Daughter Manna Howells.

And unto this my last will, be my devise and appoint my friends Bryan Daugherty & Robert Fuller my Executors, this twentieth day of June 1742. Signed sealed & delivered in presence of us, Thomas Hunt, Frederick <sup>Howells</sup> Mann, John & Manna <sup>Howells</sup> mark

Nath: Howells  
 Northampton County 17 February Court 1742  
 The preceding will of Nath: Howells was exhibited in Court & proven on the oath of John Mann one of the subscribing Witnesses thereto, at the same time Bryan Daugherty was qualified a Justice thereof, which in motion was ordered to be certified & recorded, John Edwards Clerk

William Purdy Will

In the name of God a most being of perfect mind & memory thanks be given unto God, I ordain this my last will & testament first of all I recommend my soul into the hands of Almighty God that gave it, not doubting but at the General resurrection shall receive the same again by the power of Almighty God & as touching such worldly estate as I have I give to bestow me with upon this my last will & testament as followeth  
 -ing, manner of form, first that all my just debts be paid,

and secondly & lastly I will bequeath all the remainder of my estate unto my well beloved wife Catherine Purdy, whom I have my whole will & testament before written, and no other to be my last will & testament than this, witness my hand & seal this 20th day of November one thousand seven hundred & thirty six Signed sealed pronounced & delivered

in presence of as  
 Wm Purdy & an al  
 John Barney, Joseph Drury, Patrick Clark

Northampton County 17 February Court 1742  
 The preceding will of Wm Purdy was exhibited into Court and proven on the oath of John Barney, one of the subscribing Witnesses thereto, at the same time Catherine Barney was qualified a Justice thereof, which in motion was ordered to be certified & recorded,  
 John Edwards Clerk

Samuel Mackney Will

In the name of God Amen, I Samuel Mackney of Northampton County in the Province of North Carolina being very sick & weak in body, but of perfect mind & memory thanks be to God, yet considering the uncertainty of life & how do make & ordain this my last will & testament (right) I give & recommend my soul into the hands of Almighty God that gave it, and my body I recommend to the Earth at the discretion of my Executors as to my worldly estate I give & devise the same in the following manner of form

Impromis I give to my son Jennings Hackney what ever shall appear to be due from him to me, by any right or demand whatsoever the same is in full of my estate, and a base from his obtaining more

Item I give to Sarah (later, Alias Hackney), my bed & furniture belonging thereto

Item I give all other my estate of what kind so ever to Lydia Norwood, Alias Bradley, the aforesaid Sarah & my grand son, son of William Hackney, and to be equally divided between them, all just demands being first paid.

Lastly I appoint John Norwood whole sole executor & administrator of this my last will & testament, & do he, by Deed & make every other former will void, & ratify & confirm this and none other to be my last will & testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal the 2<sup>d</sup> of January 1763. Saml Hackney Esq

Signed sealed & delivered in presence of us  
 J<sup>ts</sup> Edwards, J<sup>r</sup> Josiah Hunter  
 Northampton County 1<sup>st</sup> February 1763.

The preceding will of Saml Hackney and was exhibited into Court, and proven on the oath of John Edwards J<sup>r</sup> one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, at the same time John Norwood was qualified Executor thereof which on motion was ordered to be Certified & Recorded.

J<sup>ts</sup> Edwards Clerk

John Sawbrey Will

In the name of God Amen I John Sawbrey of the County of Northampton in the Province of North Carolina, am in perfect health and of sound & disposing mind & memory, and calling to mind the uncertainty of this transitory life am willing to make my last will & testament in manner & form following, that is to say, First I bequeath my soul to almighty God who gave it me, and my body to be buried at the discretion of my Executors, and of his my just debts are paid, I give & bequeath the rest of my

estate as followeth, First & foremost my wife's share is that out of my share of 90 acres of <sup>my</sup> Debtors land, and what gold & silver I have by me and my flock of Cattle, at that time my life & one my marriage Contract may be made for a & the same place age is to be equally divided between my three small Children (Charlotte, Elizabeth & John) & my son.

Item I give & bequeath unto my son Henry Dawson the Plantation whereon I now live and the land adjoining & around, the beginning at the center of the Crooked Meadow at Alexander Thomsons line that divides his land & mine, is along the said Crooked Meadow round Mrs Lamons, otherwise the Burnes side, it comes to the line that crosses the said meadow seen in the neck, called by good will, near the hands of Plantation for three hundred & thirty be it more or less to him & his heirs forever, also giving to my son Henry Dawson my land of Plantation I bought of Maurice Moore as by his Deed to me all it appears, also my share of plantation and the land thereto belonging for his hundred of sixty acres, as by the said Deed to me & their Patent will appear, also one hundred acres of land in Bertie County which I bought of John Miller, all my land on the River near London being in three parcels in the whole about four hundred acres as by Patent & Deed to me will <sup>appear</sup> all the above said lands I give to my son Henry Dawson to him & his heirs forever, also I give to my son Henry my young horse called Sam and Maurice Moore's Debt to my neighbor.

Item I give unto my son John Dawson my Plantation whereon I now live with all the land on the Plantation side the Crooked meadow (viz) that I bought of John Pentt & Richard Bricard also one hundred of sixty acres on the north side to the edge of Crick joining a Mr George Patricks land as for ease of ground the said will appear & my land on the other side as by the Deed of Mr Williams Deed to me will appear & my land on Patricks Crick as per Patent all and every part of the aforesaid lands and all the improvements and improvements of any kind to the same or to any part thereof assigned