

Item I give & bequeath unto my trusty friend Sarah Galling my land  
Plantation wherein I now Dwell Containing two hundred  
acres, without the appurtenances therunto belonging & all  
the remaining part of my Personal Estate of all kind what  
ever where I constitute & appoint with the assistance of  
my Cousin Richard Bailey to be my full & whole Executors here  
of & this I do acknowledge prononne & desirous to be my last  
will & testament as aforesay wherunto I have set my hand &  
lived no 2 at this 31<sup>st</sup> day of July in the year of our Lord 1758  
Signed sealed in presence of us John Taylor (Read)  
John Johnson Arthur Adair Elizabeth T. Tyner (mark)

Northampton County / May Court 1762

The preceding will of John Taylor aforesaid was exhibited in open  
Court & proved on the oath of Jas Johnson one of the subscribers  
hereunto further, who declared that he saw the other witness  
Sign the same, at the same time Sarah Galling was  
Qualified Deponent thereto, which in manner was order  
ed to be Certified & Recorded Teste R. Edwards etc.

John Paul, 1766

In the name of God amen. I John Paul of Northampton County  
Province of North Carolina being sick & weak of body, but of perfect  
mind I memory do make this my last will & Testament In nomine  
my etate & desire is that all my last debts & funeral expenses  
be first paid, after which the remainder of what I leave it  
hath pleased God Almighty to bestow on me, I dispose of in  
the following manner.

Item I leave to my beloved wife Kiah the use of my four Negroes, namely  
Lavinia, Sue, Jack & Rose with their future increase during her  
natural life, also I leave to my said wife Kiah the rest of my land  
& Plantation wherein I now live, containing two hundred  
acres during her widowhood, and from immediately of her  
mystic wife decease, I give & bequeath my said four  
Negroes, Lavinia, Sue, Jack & Rose, together with their future

increase, as also the remainder part of my negroes namely man  
Hannah Aggy, Milla, Pig, Frank & a girl both with their future  
increase to be equally divided between my three Daughters Polly,  
Patsy, and Betsy, to them & their heirs if any, and in case either  
of my said three Daughters should die without lawful heir, then  
it is my will & desire that all my said Negroes with their future  
increase be equally divided amongst the survivor or survivors  
of them this further it is my will & desire that after the decease  
of my said wife, my said Lands & Plantation be sold by my executors  
for the best price that can be got for it & the money arising from  
the sale thereof be equally divided among my said three child  
ren the survivor or survivors of them. The following done  
omitted above to set, and further, it is my will & desire that my said  
children have liberty of working their negroes on my said Pla-  
ntation without paying rent or being molested,

Item I give & bequeath unto my wife in Law Lucy, & her my bayman  
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Item It is my will & desire that all the rest of my Personal Estate of what  
nature or kind there be sold by my executors hereafter named  
for the best price that can be got for it & the money arising  
from the sale thereof be equally divided amongst my living  
wife & my three Children Polly, Patsy & Betsy, the survivor  
or survivors of them.

Item I give & dispose of the management & tuck of my said three  
Daughters Polly, Patsy & Betsy until they arrive to full age  
or marry, and then to return & dispose at any time as they shall  
think most proper.

Item Lastly I do nominate & appoint my friends Thomas Halliburton  
& Thomas Amis junior executors to this my last will & Testament  
providing when of their convenience set my hand & seal, this twenty  
ninth day of May one thousand seven hundred & forty one,  
signed dated & oldated by the said,

John Paul, to be his last will } Other & Part Read  
Testament in presence of us } mark Catt  
Gerard Young, Edmund Griffin, Phillip H. Evans,

*Northampton County, N. C., Number Court 1762.*

The preceding will of John Paul died was exhibited into open Court & sworn on the oaths of George Young & Tom Griffin  
two of the subscribing witnesses thereto, at the same time Thomas  
William deceased his wife, the testatrix, which in motion  
was denied & rejected therewith. Teste S. Edwards Clerk.

*WILL OF BRADFORD WILL*

In the name of God Amen, I John Bradford of the County  
of Northampton Province of North Carolina being sick & weak  
in body but of perfect mind & memory thanketh to Almighty  
God for the same, do make this my last will & testament  
First, I give & bequeath my soul to Almighty God that made it  
and my body to be buried by my executors, and have thought  
to dispose of my Estate in manner following &c

Item I leave to my living wife Mary Bradford my Plantation where  
we now live, & my mill & a Negroe fellow named, Ned, and  
a negroe woman named Lucy & six Cows & a bull, belonging to  
the Plantation where we now live, one black mare named  
Linen, one lot of pasture & four Barn pots, one hillside where  
I may so long the same live, a field, & after death or mar-  
riage to be divided between my two sons William &  
Henry Bradford their heir forever.

Item I give & bequeath to my son Ann Bradford my Plantation  
where we now live, beginning at a Spanish red oak on the  
ridge & running my son Richard Bradford's line to a live  
pine thence along the line of marked trees to a corner  
red oak on Richard's plantation to him other heirs forever,  
Also giving to my son Richard Bradford one negro boy named  
Peter, and my other & a bed & furniture & one horse Colt  
& my Smith's tools & them to his heirs forever.

Item I give & bequeath to my son Henry Bradford a parcel  
of land containing two hundred acres more or less  
beginning on Ricks Spanish line & a road line made to  
between Ann Bradford & the Henry Bradford, & also

give to my son Henry Bradford one acre of land named  
Bam to him & his heirs forever.

Item I give <sup>Bequeath</sup> to my Daughter Edith Bradford one acre of land  
named Black & one bed & furniture to her & her heirs forever.

Item I give <sup>Bequeath</sup> to my Daughter Ruth Bradford one negro boy  
named Ned, to her & her heirs forever.

Item I give & bequeath to Elizabeth Bradford one shilling  
proclamation money.

Item I give & bequeath unto my Son Nathaniel Bradford one hundred  
acres more or less, laying his swaggerty road where  
John Richardson now lies, & also give him my close bodied  
white coat & one negroe fellow to him & his heirs forever.

Item I give & bequeath to my Son Richard Bradford one parcel of  
land containing one hundred forty acres more or less  
laying in Orange County on Little Creek & a negroe boy  
Called Gibb, & one negroe boy called Jim whom I have given to  
him.

Item I give to my Son Thomas Bradford for all my Island Land  
to him & his heirs forever.

Item I do appoint my living wife & my Son Nathaniel Bradford my  
whole sole executors & executrix of this my last will & testa-  
ment, & do appoint the said executors to sell all my stock &  
all lands & to pay all my just & lawful debts, & expenses my  
hand seal this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of May 1762 Thomas Bradford & his  
wife, Ann Bradford.

*Northampton County, N. C., Number Court 1762.*

The preceding will of John Bradford died was exhibited  
in Court & sworn on the oaths of Ann Bradford one of the  
Subscribing witnesses thereto, at the same time, Mary  
Bradford & Nathaniel Bradford was qualified & executed  
executors thereto, which in manner was ordered to be  
Certified & Recorded. Teste S. Edwards Clerk.

*Sister Deborah Hill*

In the name of god amen, I Deborah Hill of Northampton  
County, in the province of North Carolina being sick & weak in