

Abalom Cobb's Will.

In the name of God Amen I Abalom Cobb of Northampton County & State of North Carolina being in perfect mind and memory thank be to Almighty God for the same but calling to mind the mortality of my body and that it is appointed unto all men to die do constitute and ordain this to be my last Will and Testament in manner and form following First of all I recommend my Soul into the hands of Almighty God that gave it hoping through the merits death and passion of my Saviour Jesus Christ to have full and free pardon of all my sins and my body I commend to the Earth to be buried in a Christian like manner at the discretion of my Executors hereafter mentioned.

Item My Will and pleasure is that all my debts & funeral charges shall be paid and discharged.

Item I Give to my beloved wife Priscilla Cobb use of the plantation whereon I now live with all the Lands thereunto belonging & also land my wife the use of my Negroes Luke Peter & Ananias during her widowhood I also leave my wife the use of all my Stock of Horses cattle and Hogs during her widowhood and if my wife should marry or do my will and desire is that my estate should be divided between my three children in manner and form following.

Item I Give and bequeath to my Daughters Polly Deberry and Sally Cobb my plantation lying on the South side of the Little Swamp that formerly belonged to John Deberry &c. to be equally divided between the aforesaid Polly & Sally I Give my daughter Polly Deberry my Negro Luke.

Item I Give to my Daughter Sally Cobb my Negro Peter.

Item I Give to my Daughter Lucretia Cobb the Land & plantation whereon I now live I also Give my Daughter Lucretia Cobb one Negro Girl by the name of Ananias to her and her heirs forever. If my loving wife Priscilla Cobb should die before my children come to age my will and desire is that all these Negroes before mentioned should be hired out and the money put on Interest for the use of the children agreeable to what has been before mentioned likewise the

the Stock to be sold and the money put to the use as before directed. Also There are three Negroes that are not mentioned in the legacies of the will before written namely Melly, Caesar & Lottis and it is my will and desire that my loving wife Priscilla Cobb should be possessed with them as her own right and property to dispose of as she best sees fit as also my plantation lying on the South side of Little Swamp I leave the use of to my loving wife Priscilla Cobb to make all profit from the said land to her advantage without damage to the said land. I Am hereby appointed Henry Deberry, Eum Hollimon and my loving wife Priscilla Cobb whole and sole executors to this my last Will and Testament, Sealed with my Seal and Dated this 5th day of November A.D. 1796.

Signed Sealed & Delivered } Ab. Cobb Execut.
In the presence of
Arthur Shivers
John Shade

Norman Rogers

Northampton County Jps.
June Court 1797

This Will of Abalom Cobb &c. was proved by the Oath of Arthur Shivers one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, and Ordered to be Certified and Recorded, whereupon Priscilla Cobb the Executrix therein named was duly qualified.

Test. E. Haynes. Ck.