

Edward Davis Will

In the name of God amen I Edward Davis of a tenth Northampton County and State of North Carolina being in perfect health, sound mind & memory thanks be to God, for the same but calling to mind the Mortality of my body do make and declare this my last will and Testament in manner and form as followeth (W)

Item

I Give unto my beloved son John Davis Ten shillings to him & his Heirs

Item

I Give unto my beloved son Edward Davis the Land & plantation whereon he now lives, to him and his Heirs for ever

Item

I Give unto my Daughter Mary Dyer ten shillings to her & her Heirs

Item

I Give unto my son Joseph Davis Ten shillings to him & his Heirs

Item

One cow one calf six pointer plates One Dish One Bason to him and his Heirs for ever

Item

I Give my son Arthur Davis the land and plantation whereon he now lives to him and his Heirs forever

Item

I Give unto my son Samuel Davis the plantation and Land lying on the West End swamp below my son Edward Davis plantation also One barrel horse one Cow and calf six pointer plates One Dish One Bason also one Feather Bed and Furniture to him & his Heirs forever

Item

I Give unto my Daughter Lucy Davis one Feather Bed and Furniture one cow and calf six pointer plates One Dish One Bason to her & her Heirs forever

Item

I Give I Give unto my son Samuel Davis the Land and plantation whereon he now lives after the death of my wife I Give unto my son Samuel one Feather Bed and Furniture one Bason one Dish also one cow and calf to him and his Heirs

Item

I Give unto my beloved wife Sarah Davis the use of the Land and plantation whereon I now live during her widowhood also all the rest of my estate with in doors and with out but at death or marriage I Give the same to be equally divided amongst all my sons & Daughters

I do nominate and appoint my beloved son William Davis my whole and sole executor of this my last will and Testament revoking anything void & other wills heretofore made by me in witness hereof I have at my hand & Seal this 22^d February 1796

I signed Sealed published and declared

In presence of

John Wade

Elizabeth & Deborah

Edward Davis & Seal
mark

Northampton County N.C.

June Court 1803

This Will was proved by the Oath of

John Wade & Elizabeth Deborah & at the same

time Arthur Davis qualified a Executor to the same

Ordained to be testified & Recorded

Witness Wm. Wade Clerk

Nathaniel Harrison Will

In the name of God amen I Nathaniel Harrison of the County of Northampton and State of North Carolina being in dispend of Body but of sound and disposing mind and memory make this my last will and Testament in manner and form following, first first my soul to Almighty God who gave it me & my body to be Buried in Christian like manner at the discretion of my Executors

Item

It is my will and desire that my Negro Woman Anissa should have her Freedom and as I know that this part of my will cannot take effect without interference of the Legal Court in favour of the said Negro Woman, I pray them to pass an act for her Liberty and in case the Legal Court should not grant the above Request of Liberate her then in that case I give the said Negro Woman to James Bradley of Halifax County in full confidence that he will give her all the Indulgence that she has merited

Item

I Give to my friend Robert Puckle & his Heirs & assigns for ever One Bay Horse called Buck the Two year old mare gelded by Alderman Abbott my stock of Horses nor other wares disposed of also all my stock of Cattle not otherwise disposed of also the one half of the Cows now on my plantation I give the said Robert Puckle the one half of the Money due out on the Bonds of Wm. H. Pinfold and Sampson Taylor to receive when collected & all my furniture not otherwise disposed of

Item

I Give to my Friend and Puckle to him his Heirs and assigns for ever my Red back Mare and the feather Bed and Furniture

Item

I Give to my Friend John Capell Two Cows to be chosen by said Capell from all my stock of Cattle

Item

I Give to Richard Blaser Two Cows second choice of my Cattle

Item

I Give to my Friend James Bradley of Halifax County to him his Heirs & assigns forever the Four following Negroes To wit Mary Red & George two young children not yet named One Bay Horse & one cow named Mary my two old Breeding cows & fifteen sheep I also give to the said Bradley the half of the Cows now on my plantation

Item

I Give to the above named James Bradley him Heirs and assigns all the money and remainder of my Debt both real & personal forever & lastly I Nominate and appoint my Friends Nathaniel Harrison & Robert Puckle Executors to this my last will & Testament making void all other wills by me heretofore made in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal this Twenty fourth day of March 1803

Nathaniel Harrison

Northampton County N.C. June Court 1803 This Will was proved by the Oath of

James Bradley & Nathaniel Harrison at the same time James Bradley qualified as Executor to the same

Ordained to be testified & Recorded

Witness Wm. Wade Clerk