

# Absalom Joyner's Will

In the name of God Amen Absalom Joyner of Northampton County being in perfect Health mind & memory thanks be to God for the same my Estate I dispose as follows.

Item. Give to my Daughter Cherry Broom one Negroe girl Patience who ther house to her & her slaves forever.

Item. Give to my Daughter Anna Broom one Negroe girl Ruth with her & her slaves to her & her slaves forever.

Item. Give to my Daughter Martha Broom five Shillings

Item. Give to my Daughter Hannah Broom one Negroe girl Hannah & her slaves to her & her slaves forever.

Item. Give to my grand Daughter Rebekah Joyner a Negroe woman Fannie one Negro girl Lucy or Negroe girl Mason or Negroe girl Lizzie they three slaves to be returning to natural life & if she should have Natural Slavery begotten after her death then I give the Negroe to them other slaves for ever if she have none this Slavery belonging to her body then Give the said Negroe Fannie Lucy Mason & Lizzie they three slaves to be equally divided between my two Sons Thomas Joyner & John Joyner the same to them other slaves forever.

Item. Give my Son John Joyner the Plantation where he now lives and all that land over the East side of the Mill Branch also the Mill & pond before with water below & above the Crooked Branch to a middle tree along alone a pond at the foot thereof along stars down the river of the land to the Creek & bottom line to him the same to him also give one Negroe man & one Negroe woman plus one Negroe girl given me by my God father Now get them by other means forever & also give to him my Negroe Slave I give to my Son Thomas Joyner the Land of Plantation where he lives & all the Land belonging thereto to him his slaves forever & also give one Negroe man & one Negroe woman both are Negroe boy & one Negroe girl to him his slaves forever & also give to him along with that is not mentioned.

Item. Give my Grandson Absalom Joyner Negroe girl Cherry the Daughter of the late Mr. John Joyner to him his slaves forever & also Give my Son John Joyner & Thomas Joyner my white Bed Counter to the one last will & Testament remaining all with the rest of my estate. In witness whereof I seal the 8 day of October 1770  
Absalom Joyner Testid.

John Hutton  
Esq. Clerk  
Northampton Co.

Northampton Co. Ass't Clerk 1770  
The will of Absalom Joyner was attested and sealed in writing in the presence of  
John Hutton at the same time John Joyner & Thomas  
Joyner signed. Esq. Clerk of the County of Northampton  
East Esq. Clerk of the County of Northampton

# Thomas Dolas's Will

In the Name of God Amen Thomas Dolas of the County of Northampton  
State of North Carolina having made my Will before God & the world on the  
1<sup>st</sup> day of Sept in the year of our Lord 1800 make & publish this my last Will and  
Testament in manner following that is to say.

I leave unto my beloved wife Hannah Dolas two hundred pounds of money for her first  
choice of any Cattle or Slave Woman (if any) if for Slaves or Servt man or woman  
woman name Fanny & one Negro boy named Anthony

Give 10 shillings to my daughter Cherry Dolas or father her husband to her the other slaves  
forever & further my will is that my Daughter Cherry shall have the first part of the  
land above described out of the lands in part before the Death of any wife Hannah the said Hannah  
more shall be my Daughter Cherry the wife of her son

Give 10 shillings to the children of Henry Dolas five Shillings

Give 10 shillings to the children of John Dolas five Shillings

Give 10 shillings to the children of Henry Dolas son five Shillings

The balance of my Estate not given away without leaving my Executors about well off  
money among other such like after my last Death or fails to be equally divided between  
my three youngest children Francis Dolas, Benjamin Dolas, & Cherry Dolas to  
them & the slaves forever also my desire is that the Property left my wife after her  
be equally divided between my three youngest children Francis, Benjamin, & Cherry  
Except that I wish that my grandsons Brother Dolas shall have the one half of his brother  
Cherry Dolas share at the division or division among these youngest as within mentioned  
And Henry made out of my son Francis Dolas Benjamin Dolas Executors of this my  
last will & Testament & I wish when this is opened Dolas how to the my last will  
& Testament set my Hand & Seal the day year written written.

Thomas Dolas Testid.

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Sons in law  
Lady Dolas  
Cordell Ryman



Northampton County Probate Court 1800  
This will was proved by Sir Nathl. & James Dolas  
& Cordell Ryman at the same time Francis Dolas  
wishes Executor there to be Cordell & Dolas  
Ryman.

Test E. P. Hayes