

# Nathan Stancil's Will

In the name of God amen I Nathan Stancil of Northampton County and State of North Carolina being weak and sick but in perfect mind and memory thanks be to God and knowing that it is appointed unto man to die and as for my earthly goods wherewithal it hath pleased God to bless me with I do give and bequeath them in the following manner and form, my Soul I give to God who gave it me my body I leave to be buried decently at the discretion of my executors, as for my earthly Goods I leave them in manner and form following.

Item I give and bequeath my plantation wheran I now live, to my son John Stancil to him and his heirs lawfully begotten forever, only the profit of the young Orchard I give to my son Samuel Stancil for the term of five years together. —

Item I give and bequeath unto my son Samuel Stancil the plantation that he has of stock shall be to him and his Heirs forever.

Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Savory Stancil my daughter bed and furniture, one Cow & four Head of Cattle

Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Lucy Stancil my bed, and a furniture and Chest, four Head of Cattle, so to my Daughter Puckie I give four Head of Cattle.

I give and bequeath to Andrew Parker few shillings, then after these legacies is taken the rest that remains after paying my debts I leave to be and equally divided among my seven Children and my grand Daughter Polly Parker

Item I give and bequeath to my grand Daughter Polly Parker my bed and furniture and Chest four Head of cattle.

Item I leave to my beloved wife a pannle living on the whole of my estate during her natural life or widowhood, and I do hereby ordain this to be my last Will and Testament and to disannul all other wills by me made, but to leave my two Sons John and Samuel Stancil my whole and

the executors of this my last Will and Testament. —

Signed dated and acknowledged before Nathan Stancil of a Seal  
In presence of

Test Thomas Lester  
Savory Stancil

Northampton County No.  
Prob Court 1794

This Will of Nathan Stancil the same was proved by the Oath of Thomas Lester one of the witnesses thereto at the same time I do Stancil qualified as Executor thereof Doxied to be Certified and Recorded.

Witnes C Haynes Esq

# Jane Lewis' Will

In the name of God amen I Jane Lewis of the County of Northampton and State of North Carolina being very sick and weak in body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be given to God, calling unto mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, do make and ordain this my last will & Testament, that is to say principally and first of all I give and bequeath my Soul into the hands of Almighty God that gave it and my body I command to the earth to be buried in a decent Christian burial at the discretion of my executors, nothing doubting but at the general resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God, and as touching such worldly estate wherewithal it hath pleased God to bless me with in this life, I give devise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form.

Item I give and bequeath unto my son James Lewis one hundred acres of land with all the improvements that is the plantation wheran I now live, and one both, one piano, and all the best and new, that are on the plantation, and one black Horse and one bed and Furniture, to him and his heirs forever.

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Item. Give and Bequeath unto my Son Benjamin Lewis one hundred Acres of Land, being part of the tract of Land that I now拥有, that part where he began to make improvements to him and his Heirs forever.

Item. Give and Bequeath unto my Son William Lewis one hundred acres of Land being the plantation wherein he now doth live to him and his Heirs forever. I give unto my Son Benjamin Lewis one Cow and Calf to him and his Heirs forever. All the rest of my estate that I have not given away I desire shall be sold and after my debts being paid I desire it shall be divided between William Lewis, Benjamin Lewis, Sarah Lewis, Patience Griggs, and Fanny Howlett, also I do make and appoint my Son James Lewis my sole executor of this my last will and Testament, and I do hereby utterly disallow, revoke, and disannul all and every other former testament, Will, legacies, legatees and executors by me in any way before named, willed and bequeathed satisfying and confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal this 29<sup>th</sup> of October 1789. —

Signed Sealed published pronounced & declared  
by the said Jane Lewis, as her last Will &  
Testament in the presence of us who in our presence  
and in the presence of each other have hereunto  
subscribed our names.

Ephraim Smith

Mary + Emma  
mark

Joseph + Mariah  
mark

Northampton County, Pa.  
September first 1794

This Will of Jane Lewis doth  
bear date by the Oath of Joseph Smith  
one of the subscriber witnesses thereto, at the  
same time Jane Lewis was duly qualified  
to execute the same, Deemed to be  
Certified and Recorded.

Witness.

F. Maynes M.C.

Bethel Miss. Attest

In the name of God Amen I Bethell of the County of Northampton being sick and weak of body but thanks be to God of sound mind and memory do ordain this my last will and Testament in manner and form following to wit.

I send the use of all my Land which I possess which is by estimation one hundred acres to my wife Martha Ellis during of her life or widowhood, and at her death or marriage which ever should first happen then give the said Land back as above mentioned to my son Bartholomew Ellis, to him and his Heirs and assigns forever.

Item I leave to my wife Martha Ellis the bed and furniture my share and half her choice of my Lear and six sheets and three of my large bags, my snare pot, one flat dish two basins half dozen plates half a dozen Spoons, half a dozen knives and forks, one plough hook and walking stick, one setting box, one Ace, four setting chairs, one spinning wheel, and fands, and all my Books during her life or widowhood, and at her death or marriage and then the estate so left to be equally divided between all my children.

Item I give to my son in law James Wilson, one year old colt to him and his Heirs forever.

Item My Will and desire is that all the rest and residue of my estate except my old saddle be sold by my executor hereafter named, and the money arising therefrom for the payment of my debts and then the saddle excepted, for the use of my wife and family.

And Lastly I do hereby appoint my friends Charles Adlair and Henry Newham just my executors to this my last will and Testament revoking all former wills heretofore by me made. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal this 25<sup>th</sup> of August 1794.

Test John Rice  
Elizabeth Wilson  
mark

Northampton County, Pa. September first 1794  
This will of Bethell Ellis doth bear date by  
the Oath of John Rice, at the same time Henry  
Newham being qualified as Executor, Ordained to be  
Certified & Recorded.

Bethel Miss. Attest  
and  
Northampton County, Pa. September first 1794  
This will of Bethell Ellis doth bear date by  
the Oath of John Rice, at the same time Henry  
Newham being qualified as Executor, Ordained to be  
Certified & Recorded.

Henry C. Maynes M.C.