

Noses Adams Will

The State of North Carolina In the name of God amen I Moses Adams of Northampton County being at present weak of body but of sound mind and memory think to be set forth the same, do make and declare this my last will and Testament in manner and form following: That first I would that all my natural debts be paid and discharged.

Item I Give and bequeath unto my wife Sarah Adams one Negro Girl named Abigail to her and her heirs forever, and after the death of my wife Rachel Adams I give to my son John Adams the father bed and the cow, and all the plantation interests belonging also one horse and calf also my wearing apparel except my great coat and hat.

Item I Give and bequeath unto my son Jacob Adams one father bed side one chest and stand and plantation wherever he now lives on containing one hundred acres so formerly bounded also one Negro Girl named Grace to him and his heirs forever.

Item I Give and bequeath to my son Jacob Adams my plantation and land wherever he now lives containing one hundred acres so formerly bounded also one Negro Girl named Abigail to him and his heirs forever also my Negro Cows wherever one Mare also one heifer cattle to him and his heirs forever my Will and desire is that my wife and my daughter Rachel Adams may not be excluded in my House and plantation during the time they live together and live single.

Item I Give and bequeath to my Daughter Ruth Adams one Negro Girl named Kate also one father bed and plantation also one large truck also my pocket hat I now wear.

Item I Give and bequeath to my Daughter Rachel Adams one Negro Girl named China Adams one Grained Hells one chest and two Doves and Lamb.

Item I Give and bequeath to my wife Rachel Adams my old Negro woman called Doll to her for her use forever, My Will and desire is that my wife Rachel Adams shall have the use of the remainder of my Estate during of her natural life.

Item I Give and bequeath to my Grand Daughter Sarah Adams one Negro Girl named Sarah to her.

Item I Give and bequeath to my son John Adams and my son Jacob Adams one Negro Girl named Nell to be equally divided between them.

Item I Give and bequeath to my son Jacob Adams a great coat and hat and one pair shoes.

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Will I do witness and approve my Son Jacob Adams and my son John Adams my whole and sole Executors of this my last will and Testament In Witness hereof I have signed and approved my hand this 14th day of May 1792

Signed Sealed & Declared

In the presence of
Robert Smith
James L. Allen

Moses Adams

Northampton County
December 1792

This will of Moses Adams do I now read & deliver into Court and proved by the Oath of Robert Smith one of the undersigned Notaries Public at the Court house said Adams qualified as Executor thereof, ordered to be Certified and Recorded.

Notary
a. Vignas & Co

Joseph Lapides Will

In the name of God amen I Joseph Lapides of Northampton County and State of North Carolina being sick and weak of body but of a disposing mind and memory think to be set forth the same, and calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men to die, I do make and declare this my last will and Testament first I recommend my Soul to God who gave it and my body to be buried in a Christian like manner at the discretion of my Executors and request what will be given it shall please God to dispose with I Give and bequeath in the following manner.

First I Leave my beloved wife Charity Lapides the use of my lands and plantation wherever I now live, also one Negro man named Peter during her natural life.

Secondly I Give my beloved wife before mentioned one Negro woman named Hannah, also one third part of my personal estate a Negro excepted to her and her heirs or assigns forever.

Thirdly I Give bequeath and devise to my two sons Joel Lapides & Charles Lapides after the decease of my wife the lands and plantation wherever I now live also the several lands adjoining it to be equally divided between them to them their heirs or assigns forever.

Fourthly I Give bequeath and devise to my three sons Joel Lapides, Charles Lapides, & Henry Lapides the lands that I purchased of John Parker to be equally divided among them to them their heirs or assigns forever.

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