

William Rankin's Will.

In the name of God amen William Rankin of Southampton County in the State of North Carolina being weak in body but in my perfect mind & senses and knowing as make this my last Will and Testament, and first I recommend my soul into the hands of Almighty God and my body to the earth to be buried in a Christian like manner, at the discretion of my Executors, as touching my worldly estate which with the Lord's assistance and with His and His grace of in His goodness and from following life.

Item I Give and bequeath unto my beloved Son John Rankin the Land and plantation where he now lives, and the residue of my Land that I shall not mention hereafter and also my Negroes, Horses, Cattle and all to him and his heirs forever.

Item I Give and bequeath unto my Grand Son John Daugherty all my Land lying in the East side of the main road (which is the plantation where James Daugherty now lives) to him and his heirs.

Item I Give and bequeath unto my Daughter Polly Rankin two Negroes, Horses and Cattle to her and her heirs.

Item I Give unto my Daughter Polly Daugherty during her life, two Negroes, Horses and Cattle and after her death the said Negroes with their increase to be equally divided amongst all her Children then living to them and their heirs.

Item I Give unto my beloved wife Mary Rankin during her natural life the House where I now live with one hundred acres of land adjacent to it, also my Negroes, Horses, Cattle and all my Stock of Cattle, Horses and Sheep, and two Houses, Broom and the old Barn, and all the residue of my estate which I shall not mention hereafter and after her death, I Give the said House & the one hundred acres of land to my Daughter Polly Rankin, and the residue to be sold and equally divided amongst my three Children Mary John Rankin, Polly Daugherty & Polly Rankin or their heirs, and it is my Will and desire that the price of Land lying over the house should be sold and my good debts paid, and the balance of my to the use of my Wife & my Daughters as the above last articles.

And I do hereby appoint Polly Rankin, Polly Daugherty, Mary Rankin, my wife and the Executors of this my last Will and Testament and I do hereby disavow and revoke all and every other Will, Testament and bequest.

which ratifying and confirming this to be my last Will and Testament, I have signed these words with my hand and seal this 29th day of June 1793.

Signed, Sealed & acknowledged.

In presence of
J. Smith
James J. Edwards
and

William Rankin
and

Southampton County N.C.
March Court 1793

This Will of William Rankin do hereby certify that I have seen the said Will of the said William Rankin one of the subscribers, and that at the same time Henry Rankin & Charles Rankin qualified as witnesses thereto, and I have read and recorded.

Henry Rankin
Charles Rankin

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and I will not my daughter Dorothy, some of age or more, then I give the said
 sum of £100 to my said daughter Dorothy & her heirs forever and her lawful
 heirs forever.

Item I leave the remainder of my Negroes viz. Abby, Patience, Ed. Mourning, & Phillis
 and their increase to be equally divided between my daughter Betty
 Dean, and Dorothy Kitter Dean to them their heirs or assigns forever.

Item After the death of my wife Anne and bequeath unto my said daughter Dorothy
 the Negroes heretofore due to my wife and their increase from the date hereof to her
 and her heirs lawful of her body or assigns forever.

Item Should it so happen that my said daughter Dorothy should die before she comes
 of age or marries, then I hereby give and bequeath all the Lands heretofore given
 to her by me to my Grand son Matthew Dean to him his heirs or assigns forever
 and all the Negroes heretofore given her, and their increase should the same want
 happen, I leave may be equally divided between my said Grand son Matthew
 Dean, and my Grand daughter Elizabeth Dean to them their heirs or assigns
 forever.

Item I bind not my said wife, all my Household & Kitchen furniture, wearing apparel
 and stock of every kind, during her natural life for the purpose of raising and
 educating my daughter Dorothy, and at the death of my wife, all the said res-
 tains property to my said daughter Dorothy and her heirs or assigns forever.

Item I Give and bequeath unto my said wife, all that due me of labour nature for her own
 peche use.

And I do hereby nominate and appoint my wife, Dorothy, Elizabeth Dean, and
 my trusty friends, William Jones and John Thompson Executors of this my last
 Will and Testament, hereby ordering and directing all Wills heretofore
 by me made. In WITNESS whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and
 affixed my Seal this twenty fifth day of May Anno Domini one thousand
 Seven hundred and ninety one.

William Jones
 John Thompson

Witness
 John Jones
 John Smith

Subscribed and acknowledged
 in the Testator's last Will and
 Testament in presence of
 James Blount
 John Jones
 John Smith

Archbishop County N. C. March Court 1793
 The will of Abraham Dean deceased exhibited into Court
 and proved by the Oath of John Davidson one of the
 substantial witnesses thereto, & at the same time Dorothy
 Dean & John Thompson qualified as Executors thereof
 Ordered to be testified and recorded.

Attest
 John Jones

Abraham Haffingale's Will

In the name of God Amen I Abraham Haffingale of Northampton County
 and State of North Carolina being in perfect sound mind and memory thanks
 be to God for the same; do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament.

First I recommend my soul to Almighty God in full hope of full future happiness
 my body to the ground to be decently entombed at the discretion of my Executors
 hereafter named my worldly Goods I dispose of in manner and form following.

Item I Give unto my Son Benjamin Haffingale the sum of five shillings to
 him and his heirs forever.

Item I Give unto my Son Henry Haffingale the sum of five shillings to him and
 his heirs forever.

Item I Give unto my Son Selwyn Haffingale the sum of five shillings to him and
 his heirs forever.

Item I Give unto my daughter Emily Haffingale the sum of five shillings to her
 and her heirs forever.

Item I Give unto my daughter Elizabeth Haffingale the sum of five shillings
 to her and her heirs forever.

Item I Give unto my daughter Susan Haffingale the sum of five shillings to her
 and her heirs forever.

Item I Give and bequeath unto my daughter Angel Haffingale the sum of five
 shillings to her and her heirs forever.

Item I bind not my beloved wife Emily Haffingale the use of my plantation and all the
 remainder part of my estate which I have not already mortgaged during her widowhood
 after her widowhood my will and desire is that my said land and my whole estate
 of plantation land should be sold and the money equally divided between my
 beloved wife Emily Haffingale & all my children before mentioned being
 to each and every of them and their heirs forever.

I hereby nominate and appoint Henry Selwyn and my wife Emily Haffingale
 Executors and sole Executors of this my last Will and Testament. Signed with my own
 hand and Seal this nineteenth day of February one
 thousand seven hundred and eighty one.

Signed Sealed Published & attested
 by the said Abraham Haffingale
 as his last Will & Testament in
 the presence of us James Smith
 John Jones
 John Smith

Attest
 John Jones
 John Smith