

Thomas Mann's Ma

In the name of God amen I Thomas Adams of the Province of North Carolina
in the County of Bladenhampton being through the abundant mercy and goodness
of God through Christ Jesus fully qualified and perfectly understanding and
being do constitute this my last Will and Testament and desire that it may be
renewed by all as such, first give my body to the Earth from whence it was
taken, as for my burial I desire I may be decent without pomp or State at
the discretion of my dear wife and my executors hereafter named as to my
worldly estate will and goodwill order that all my debts be paid

Kind and my loving wife the House whereon I now live and the
plantation with stock of all kinds at Horse Castle, Wiggins Reef &
also two Negroes here are named from the other named Luce and my
dearest woman Francis Wade during her natural life or widowhood
and after her death or marriage to descend unto my dear Frederick
Anna.

Now I give and bequeath unto my beloved Daughter Eliza Martha one
signet ring named Phyllis the same I give to her two new Rings one feather
bed and furniture to her and her heirs forever.

11th I've read, & agreeable unto my beloved Daughter Hannahs Request
for some Whores two Eggs and Lamb one for the bed and furniture
to her and her Sister friend.

1866 I Give and becometh unto my Beloved Grand Daughter Susanah
Mara one Negro Girl named Ann to her and her Heirs forever

After I had said leguath unto my beloved in Frederick Mann our
begun names Sam our Roger, our Laid and our named Mann, also
my two servants Edward their, and John their, and I do desire and
do give unto my beloved in Frederick Mann all the Land and
plantation, whereon I now live with the Stock of all kinds as Horses
Cattle Hogsge Sheep &c with all the moveables of all kinds as tools
and out doors with all things whatsoever belonging or in any wise
appertaining to me to him and his heirs forever after the death
of his Mother. —

Lastly

1872
I solemnly swear by my last Will and Testament and make my
bequest to Frederick Anna Charlotte, Amelia and Isaac Knicker
to be my whole and sole Executors of this my last Will and Testament.
Witness this _____ in the year of our Lord 1891 at New York City.
Thomas Anna Knicker my Son and Heir

*Liquid Asset withdrawn
in the presence of
William Magel*

James + Mary K. Neal

And Patrick

Chas^{ley} & Mad cow
mark

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The Bill of James Mann introduced in the
Senate and only passed by the vote of William Wright, John P. Foster,
and John Buchanan voting in his favor, and at the same time
Frederick Mann qualified as Senator from Oregon. Ordered to be printed
and bound.

Wm. B. *Wm. B. Wm. B.*

William Thompson's Will ~~22~~

In the name of God amen. The 29th day of December in the year of our Lord 1892. I Nathan Thompson of the County of Southampton State of North Carolina being sick and weak in body but of perfect mind and memory and calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die to make and exhibit this my last Will and Testament that is to say as follows. -

the first place. I then and began to harvest my dear wife the plantation
wherever I am her with at the household furniture. I should have said and more
than she I am now possessed with. I give her all 23 my best of young blood
with all my vigorous manly George, Kate, Paul, Eliza, Mary, Anne,
Grace, Henry and John to her and her kind friends.

John & I saw with William Thompson, a first hand observer, the new low one hundred acres more or less, to him and his three fellows. —

Then I was and brought into Melissa Thompson's of New England, the place where the said John Thompson is, formerly lived, to him and his heirs forever.

Mem I Give and bequeath unto Mary Davis my daughter of sound mind and memory who now lies sleeping at the place on my farm known thick along a track to head of swamp in a pine grove there North to Barton's line to her and her heirs forever.

Mem I Give unto my Brother Charles Thompson ten acres of land more or less where he now lives to him and his heirs forever.

I make and obtain my only and sole Executor my Wife Deborah Thompson and William Thompson son of Charles Thompson of this my last Will and Testament and I do hereby utterly disavow revoke and annul all and every other former Testament Will, Covenants, Bequests and Bequests by me be any word made testifying and confirming this and so there to be my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal the day and year above written.

Signed Charles Thompson
In presence of us
William Thompson Exr

Frederick Barber
John Robinson
John Lee
Thomas Benson & Thompson
Notary Public for the State of New York
December Court 1892

This Will of William Thompson deceased was exhibited into Court and proved by the Oath of Frederick Barber & Thomas Benson Thompson two of the subscribing witnesses thereto, and at the same time William Thompson qualified as Executor thereof, and it is to be Certified and Recorded.

Witness

J. V. Vayner, Secy.

Arthur Stephenson's Will.
In the name of God Amen I Arthur Stephenson of Washington County and State of North Carolina being at this time of a disposing mind and memory thank God to God first myself willing to write the last will of my body knowing that it is appointed for me that I shall die to do so make and declare this my last Will and Testament in the following manner and form.

First I will that all my actual debts be paid.

Mem I Give and bequeath unto my friend Dr. William Stephenson five shillings to him and his heirs forever.

Mem I Give and bequeath to my daughter Mary Lane five shillings to her and her heirs forever.

Mem I Give and bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth Stephenson five shillings to her and her heirs forever.

Mem I Give and bequeath to my daughter Martha Lane five pounds current money of the State to her and her heirs forever.

Mem I Give and bequeath to my daughter Rebecca Stephenson five pounds current money of the State to her and her heirs forever.

Mem I Give and bequeath to my daughter Martha Stephenson five pounds current money of the State to her and her heirs forever.

Mem I Give and bequeath to my daughter Emily Stephenson five pounds current money of the State to her and her heirs forever.

Mem I Leave the residue of all my property and the balance of all the other part of my estate to my wife as long as she lives a widow.

Mem I Give and bequeath unto my son Abraham Stephenson all the remainder part of my estate of whatsoever kind it be to him and his heirs forever.

And I do appoint my son Abraham Stephenson my friend Benjamin Davis and Jacob Davis joint Executors of this my last Will and Testament writing and making void all other wills heretofore by me made. In Witness my Hand and Seal the 20th day of October 1892.

Signed Charles and
Witness. In the presence of
Arthur Stephenson
John Robinson
John Lee
Thomas Benson & Thompson
Notary Public for the State of New York
December Court 1892

This Will of Arthur Stephenson deceased was exhibited into Court and proved by the Oath of Frederick Barber one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, at the same time William Stephenson & Benjamin Davis qualified Executors thereof, and it is to be Certified and Recorded.

Witness

J. V. Vayner, Secy.