

William Vaughan's Will

In the name of God AMEN William Vaughan of the County of Northampton and State of North Carolina being sick and weak but in sound disposing mind & memory knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die and the uncertainty of the time thereof do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following I commend my Soul to Almighty God who gave it and my body to the earth to be buried at the discretion of my executors hereafter mentioned and touching such worldly estate wherewithal it has pleased God to bless me with in this life I give demise and dispose of the same in the manner & form following Next to me and above what I have heretofore given and delivered into possession of my eight children namely Mary Carpenter, Elizabeth Paul, Anna Vaughan, Henry Collier, William Vaughan, Nancy Paterson, John Rance and James Vaughan.

Item My Will and desire is that all my just debts be paid at the discretion of my executors hereafter mentioned Item And unto my beloved wife Sarah Vaughan all my estate during her natural life of the continuall my widow for the raising and educating the children that she has bore me and at the death or marriage of my beloved wife Sarah Vaughan my wife and widow is that all my said estate be sold and the money arising from such sale to be equally divided amongst all my children born by my beloved wife Sarah Vaughan and of any of my said children born by my beloved wife Sarah Vaughan should die before such division and leave issue then and in that case my will and desire is that the issue of such descendants have an equal part with my surviving children born by my beloved wife Sarah Vaughan.

Item

Item I hereby nominate and appoint my beloved Son Joseph Vaughan and my beloved wife Sarah Vaughan to be whole and sole Executrix & Executrix of this my last will and testament I further where I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 15<sup>th</sup> day of October in the year of our Lord 1793.

Signed Sealed & Delivered { William X Vaughan his seal  
In presence of us mark

Peter Weaver

John Garey

Henry Weaver Junr

Northampton County etc.  
December First 1794.

This will was formed by  
the Death of Peter Weaver & at the same time  
Sarah Vaughan & Sarah Vaughan were  
duly qualified as Executrix & Executrix, etc.  
to be certified and Recorded.

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Elizabeth Hart's Will

In the name of God AMEN I Elizabeth Hart of Northampton County and State of North Carolina being weak in body but in my perfect sound mind and memory knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my last will & testament and first I command my Soul into the hands of Almighty God and my body to the dust from whence it came to be buried in a Christian like manner at the discretion of my executors and as touching my worldly estate wherewithal the Lord has blessed me with I give demise & dispose of in the following manner and form

Item I give and bequeath unto my Grandson Benjamin Williams my Negro man Martin to him & his Heirs —

Item I give and bequeath unto John Parker son of Peter Parker two Negro boys known by the names of Abel & Edwin to him & his Heirs —

Item I give and bequeath unto Mary Parker wife of Peter Parker one bed & Chaff, one box iron & Heater, one Hunting Saddle, one Grid Iron, my Leon tan Keys & Horns, one painted Dish & any other trifling things that she has a mind to in place & quietness. None further did this Plaintiff to her & her heirs —