

James Woods Will.

I shew these being in tolerable health thanks to almighty God for the same and of sound mind and memory do make and cause this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Mary Wood one Negro woman named Lydia conditionally that if she will be content with her in the room and stead of Hannah which I shall otherwise give Lydia to be divided among her Brothers Wither she the said Mary excepted I also give her two more Negroes Viz! One negro man named Henry and one Negro boy named Joseph and having said this I shall now call these One bed and chamber One pine chest painted walnut colour and Horse called Mark and one Horse called Lamb to her and her heirs forever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Mervana Wood all my tract of Land lying in Brooke County except One hundred Acres lying in Powell's possession reserved for John Wood likewise three Negroes namely Don Lewis Webb and some others called the Baptist's John One bridle and saddle which was given him by Celia Wood One bed Chamber and small square green one small pine chest and painted One pine Duffel One round walnut table two new Horses two new Saddle two new Whales to him and his heirs forever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Elizabeth Wood three Negroes namely Jacob called Jack Rachel & Henry One bell my second slave called Chance is now big with One bed and chamber One pine chest painted Red and One bridle and saddle to be purchased for her out of the profits of my estate that is hereafter but my wife when she has power

Item I give and bequeath unto my Son John Edwards Wood all my tract of Land lying in Northampton County containing three hundred and twenty two Acres more or less except One third part of said Land Plantations I send my wife after John Edwards Wood arrives to full age if she does not marry and before the said John Edwards Wood is of full age I send my wife the whole tract of Land to raise her Children on, provided she continues my widow otherwise to be appropriated.

appropriated to the use of my Son John as aforesaid I likewise give my Son John E. Wood One hundred Acres of Land lying in Brooke County to be laid off by my Executor in Powell's possession it being purchased of and I purchased of Nathan Page and my Mother Jane Brindle and saddle which I desire may be kept for him until he comes of age to him and his heirs forever.

Item After all my just debts are paid I send my wife all the residue of my estate that is not before given away to Brooke School Blanche and raise the Children gratis Viz! Freeman Wood Elizabeth Wood John E. Wood Sarah Wood and Celia Wood and any other child or children which may be born of my wife which is mine this last to extend no further than during her widowhood otherwise if she my wife shall continue a widow until John E. Wood arrives to mature age then my desire is that all my estate not before given away shall be equally divided between John E. Wood Sarah Wood Celia Wood and any other or others which may be born of my wife as aforesaid my wife having One third of John E. Wood's legacy during her widowhood or life and not otherwise is likewise when Sarah Wood shall arrive to mature age or marry for one third of her legacy to be allotted to my wife she continuing my widow or during her life and not otherwise. Likewise at full age or marriage of Celia Wood my wife continuing my widow I desire one third of her legacy to be allotted to my wife for and during her widowhood or life and not otherwise. The increase of the Negroes accepted to the Children above named and mentioned as aforesaid and in case my wife should marry after the above letters are allowed her by Executors my desire is that all the property is lent to her as aforesaid shall immediately be taken out of her hands and delivered or appropriated to the use of the three Children John Sarah Celia and any which may be born as aforesaid.

My Will and desire is that if my wife should be with Child and delivered of a Son or Sons that in that case if any Son Freeman Wood or John E. Wood should die without lawful issue

your brother of their body that the said lands to the sea or else
and she to attend to him when her hours and a funeral service
but in case he die or leave the last of my sons Thomas
or John is dying without issue lawfully that the lands of the
said is dying shall be the property of the survivors of them
my and their heirs forever.

And further I declare that
if either of my four daughters Mary Elizabeth Sarah or
John should die without lawful issue that the surviving
brothers and sisters have the devised legacy equally
divided amongst them. In Witness whereof I have hereunto
set my hand & seal the 3^d day of April 1795 and
acknowledge this my last Will and Testament I constitute
and appoint my wife Christian Wood Jacob Freeman,
and Jonas Wood my Executors of this Will &c. —

Test.

John Parworthy
his
Attorneys & Notaries
at

James Wood Vassal

Northampton County ff.
March Court 1797

This Will of James Wood dec.
was proved by the Oath of Shadrage Rutland and ordered to
be certified and recorded whereupon Christian Wood the
Executrix and Jacob Freeman & Jonas Wood the Executors
therein named were duly qualified.

Test.

E. Haynes Esq.

John Webb's Will

In the name of God Amen I John Webb of Northampton County
and State of North Carolina being in perfect mind and memory
thanks be to the almighty God do make and contain this to be
my last Will and Testament my last Testament to God with
give it me my body I leave at the discretion of my Executors
my worldly estate I give and bequeath in the following manner
viz.

First

To Thomas Webb my brother I give all my lands to and to
my three Sisters Rebecca Webb Margaret Webb & Mary
Webb I leave ten Negroes which is named David & the
and four head of Cattle to be equally divided among them three

Secondly I hereby nominate and appoint Thomas Webb sole Executor
to this my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have
set this 18th day of January 1797 —

Test.

Mellie Mabon
John King

John Webb & a Seal
and

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Then this Will was proved by the
Oath of Mellie Mabon one of the subscribing witnesses
therein and ordered to be certified and recorded
whereupon on Motion Administration with the will
annexed was granted to John King his having entered
into Bonds of £2000 with William Jones Security
and qualified according to Law. —

Notary
E. Haynes Esq.