

Thomas Williams's Will. In the name of God Amen I Thomas Williams of Northampton County and State of North Carolina do make this my last Will and Testament in presence and form as followeth to wit, I give the use of the plantation and land wherein I now live to my wife Janet Williams during her life. I also give her the labor of my negro men Peter and Chubby and Lucy and Lincy & Silvia during her life and to succeed as hereafter directed. Item. I give unto my wife Janet Williams two beds and furniture also four cows and calves four sows and pigs four head of sheep and her choice of my horses and as much corn and pork as will be sufficient to serve her and family one year. I also give her all my household & kitchen furniture and plantation utensils that I do not hereafter separately give away, and at her death my devise is that the household and kitchen furniture and every other article that is not given away may be sold and the money arising therefrom to be equally divided between all my children that may be alive at that time.

Item. I give unto my son Safferson Thos. Williams my above mentioned land and plantation at the death of my wife Janet Williams, also my land I purchased of the heirs of Bruns being bounded by the deeds I now hold it by. Item. I give unto my son Safferson Thos. Williams at the death of my wife Janet Williams, Peter & Chubby and her increase forever, I also give him time to be lived out for his use until he arrives to the age of eighteen. I also give him one bed and furniture also four head of cattle to him and his heirs forever. Item. I give and bequeath unto my son Anthony Richard Williams the land I purchased of the heirs of John Sawney doth. also I give him the following negroes Joe: Jonas and Christa and her increase forever. also one bed & furniture and four cows to him & his heirs forever. Item. I give and bequeath to my son Samuel Bart. Williams the following negroes Jacob, Bob, Sam and Liddy and Lucy and their increase forever.

Item. I land unto Richard and Sally Long the land and plantation wherein they now live during their lives, also I land them the labor of the following negroes to wit, Mrs. Mils. Sarah and Bob & her increase, and if Sarah Long has a child or children that the land and negroes at the death of Richard and Sarah his wife be equally divided between her children, and for want of children of her body my devise is that the land return to my son Samuel Bart. Williams to him and his heirs forever. My further devise is that the negroes Bob & Richard and Sarah Long return into my estate and be equally divided between my children & Sally Thomas Nicholas if she be alive at that time. I also land Sarah Long my land and all my cattle that is on the plantation as long as she lives and at her and Richard Long's death to return to my children as they shall.

Item. I give to my daughter Rebecca Mearcum Williams the following negroes Edmund, Dory and Cherry and her increase forever, also one bed and furniture and four head of cattle.

Item. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Barbara Melinda Williams, Dorey following negroes to wit, David, Dick and Oliver and her increase forever and one bed and furniture and four head of cattle.

Item. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Julia the Under Williams the following negroes Miles Jack and Silvia at her mother's death to her and her heirs forever, also one bed & furniture & four head of cattle.

Item. I give unto my grand daughter Evalina Sally Thomas a negro man Sige, and at my death the negro to be freed out for her use, and if Evalina Sally Thomas Nicholson should die without issue of her body the negro Sige is to return to Julietta Williams. My further will and devise is that all my horses cattle hogs and sheep and crop of corn and fodder and every other article that is not given away be sold to pay my debts, and my devise is that my dwelling house be a home or asylum for all my children &c. I do also appoint my loving wife Bennett Williams better W. Barnes and John H. Edmunds my whole sole executors of this my last Will and Testament. Witness of I have hereunto set my hand and seal, this seventh day of January eighteen hundred and fifteen (1815) Thos. Williams Test.

Northampton December Court 1815. This last will & Testament of Thomas Williams decd. was exhibited into Court and proved in the following manner to wit, by Guss Williams and Frederick Long who made oath from their knowledge of the hand writing of Thomas Williams decd. that they believed the said Will and every part thereof to be the only & proper hand writing of the said testator, and also by the oath of Richard Williamson who made oath that the said Will was found among the valuable papers of the said decd., and that he believed the same to be in the hand writing of the testator: whereupon better W. Barnes one of the executors in said will named came into Court & signed these in due form of law: ordered that said Will be ratified & recorded.

Done, John H. Edmunds Clerk

Benjamin Boon's Will. In the name of God Amen I Benjamin Boon of Northampton County and State of North Carolina being at this time with in health thanks to be to God for it & calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all flesh to die being of a disposing mind and being in my perfect sound senses and memory do make this my last Will & Testament in following manner and form. Item. I give and bequeath unto my son Benjamin Boon all my land that I now own and ten negroes by the name of Jack and Mark & one hog to him &c. I do

I give and bequeath unto my daughter Lucy Sanbford one negro woman named Judah and all her increase to she & her heirs forever.
 Item. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Polly Joyner one negro girl by the name of Dorcas to she and her heirs forever.

Item. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Rebecca Cager one negro boy by the name of Jerry, to she and her heirs forever.

Item. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Meriam Woodard two negro boys by the names of Cugger and Tom to she and her heirs forever.

Item. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Charity Davis five pounds to she and her heirs forever.

Item. My will and devise is that my negro woman named Abby and her increase to be sold at public sale and the money arising from the sale of said negro to remain in the hands of my executor hereafter named and for him to give my daughter Charity twenty five dollars a year till he gives her three hundred dollars.

Item. My will and devise is that all my property not before mentioned shall be sold at public sale and the money arising from the sale thereof to pay the balance of the negro woman before mentioned should not sell for enough to raise three hundred dollars and also for my executor to pay all my just debts and the balance after all is discharged to be equally divided between four of my daughters to wit Lucy Sanbford, Polly Joyner, Rebecca Cager and Meriam Woodard to them & their heirs forever.

I do nominate and appoint my son Benjamin Boon & Elliot Tuttle my two executors to the same and do hereby disannul all other wills heretofore made by me: whereas I do hereby set my hand and affix my seal this 26th day of March 1815.

Benja: Boon [seal]

Assigned in the presence of
 Willie Tuttle, Horro Tuttle
 Dempsey Tuttle Jun

Northampton December Court 1815. This last Will & Testament of Benjamin Boon was exhibited into Court & proved by the oaths of Willie Tuttle and Horro Tuttle two of the subscribing witnesses thereto, whereupon Benjamin Boon Jun one of the executors in said will named was qualified according to law, time being reserved for the other executors. Ordered that said will be recorded.

Teste, J. C. Harrison Clerk

Herod Paison's Will. In the name of God Amen I Herod Paison do, of the County of Northampton & State of North Carolina being of sound mind and disposing memory blessed be God

do make and devise this my last Will and Testament in manner and form as followeth to wit: First I give & bequeath unto my son Britton Paison one certain tract of land lying on the south side of Bayview Swamp containing one hundred and fifty acres being the land whereon he now lives and one hundred and twenty five and a half acres of land being the land whereon Smith Parish formerly lived, together with one hundred acres of land lying on the old road it being the land I bought of Russell Whanger, to him and his heirs forever; also I give unto my son Britton Paison one small horse Richard two cows and calves one feather bed and furniture together with all and singular his household and kitchen furniture now in his possession.

Second. I give and bequeath unto my son David Paison one certain tract of land containing two hundred and fifty seven acres it being the land purchased of John Dags and one certain tract of land I bought of Turner Peble containing seventy acres to the same more or less, together with one small horse it being the horse I bought of Brooch Bass and one bull and saddle two cows and calves two sows and twenty two pigs sixteen hogs one year old one hundred and fifty barrels of corn one bed & furniture one dish and six plates to him and his heirs forever.

Third. I lend unto beloved wife Sarah Paison the land & plantation whereon I now live containing two hundred and sixty seven acres together with a certain tract of land I bought of John Whanger containing one hundred acres during her life or widowhood, except one half of my young orchard on said plantation, whereas I wish my son Herod Paison to have one half of said orchard in possession and to be divided as the path runs through the orchard by my dwelling house. I further lend unto my wife Sarah Paison one negro man named Anthony one negro woman named Charlotte one negro girl named Deborah one negro boy named Hariday together with three cows and calves two feather beds and furniture two head of horses one known by the name of Slick the other known by the name of the Pack horse one riding chair and harness fifty barrels of corn one chest one trunk two pots one large earthen dish one pewter dish seven pewter plates one pewter basin one large flowered punch bowl two sows and sixteen pigs and twelve year old hogs six sitting chairs for the support and maintenance of herself during her natural life or widowhood.

Fourth. I give and bequeath unto my son Henry Paison one negro man named Jerry and one negro boy named Daniel one stud horse known by the name of Sir Arabi with eight head of cattle one bay mare and trap, filly one bed and furniture together with all and singular his household and kitchen furniture to him & his heirs forever.

Fifth. I lend unto my daughter Frances Paison one negro woman named Abdon one negro woman named Rager and one negro man named Solomon I further lend unto my daughter Frances one feather bed and furniture one large trunk one pewter dish and seven & six plates, whereas my wish and devise is that my sons Britton Paison & Herod Paison should and support her the said Frances Paison and keep her negro woman with her to wait & attend on her and to pay themselves and