

riding chair, one black Walnut Table and half dozen silver Tea spoons, one set of chairs to her and her heirs forever.

I then I give and bequeath unto my Nephew James Vaughan son of William Vaughan, next, my negro man named Tommy and my Buckskin horse called Beggar to him & his heirs forever.

I then I give and bequeath unto Henry Briggs Vaughan son of William Vaughan one negro girl named Mary daughter of Nancy to him & his heirs forever.

I then I give and bequeath unto my Niece Mrs. Wether one negro girl named Pats and her future increase to her & her heirs forever.

I then I devise for my negro woman Sal to be left in the hands of Benjamin Roberts to be free for her to maintain herself and should she get not able to maintain herself, for Benjamin Roberts to maintain her out of my estate; also Henry to be maintained by Mr. Roberts until he gets able to be bound out in consequence of what I have given his children.

I then I give to my negro woman Sally sixty dollars to be raised out of my estate hereafter mentioned to be sold.

I then, my further Will and Desire is that my stock of all kinds not before given away also the whole of my crop of all kind be sold to the highest bidder for nine months credit the money arising from the sale of the same to pay my just debts with, and the legacy above given to negro Sal, and the balance if any arising from the sale, I give and bequeath unto Rebecca Vaughan, Johnny B. Beale to be equally divide between the above named children.

I then I do hereby appoint my friend Benjamin Roberts & Mrs. Vaughan my whole and only Executors to this my last Will & Testament hereby revoking all other Wills by me heretofore made. As witness my hand and oral this the 20th day of Decr 1810

Signed sealed &
delivered in presence of
Matthew Adams
her
Sally + Adams
witness

Mary Branch *Mary Branch*

Northampton

Northampton County for June Term 1811

This last Will and Testament of Mary Branch deceased was proved in open Court by the oaths of Matthew Adams and Sally Adams, whereupon Benjamin Roberts one of the Executors therein named qualified agreeably to law, Ordered to be certified & recorded.

Wm. Th. Hughes Clk.

Samuel Laurence's Will

In the name of God amen I Samuel Laurence of Northampton County and State of North Carolina being in reasonable health and sound disposing mind and memory, thanks be given to Almighty God for the same, and calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all flesh once to die, do make and declare this my last Will and Testament in manner & form following.

I therefore first recommend my soul into the hands of Almighty God who give it me, relying on the meritorious blood of my blessed Saviour to have full remission of all my sins, and as to what worldly Estate it hath pleased Almighty God to bless me with in this life I give and dispose of the same in manner & form following to wit.

I then I leave to my beloved wife Mary Laurence during her natural life the land and plantation I now live on and also four negroes, w^{ch} Jacob, Isham, Mary and Kate and also one half of the stock of all kind, at the plantation whereon I now live together with one half of my plantation utensils household & kitchen furniture.

I then I leave to my beloved son Imas Laurence, Moses, Sam. Isaac, young, Luke, Venus, and also Jacob, Isham and Kate after my wife's decease to him during his natural life and after his decease I give the said eight negroes to be equally divided amongst all his heirs lawfully begotten of his body to them & their heirs forever.

I then I give to my son Imas Laurence my land in the State of Virginia near South Quay also my land near Princeton that I bought of Ezzm. Liles and my stock of all kind, on the Princeton Plantations and two negroes Luke and Greasy to him & his heirs forever.

I then I give to my daughter Polly Briggs wife of Sipe K. Briggs three negroes, to wit, Jack, Kings and Dorcas and also negro woman Mary after my wife's decease I also give her the remaining half

half of my stock of all kind household and kitchen furniture
plantation utensils to her & her heirs forever -

Item. I give to my daughter Polly Croft after my wife's decease
all the land whereon I now live together with the above land
stock &c. to her & heirs forever.

Item. I leave to my son in law Sepe R. Croft, two negroes, to wit,
David and Cherry, till my grandson Lem. Laurence Croft arrives
to lawful age or marries then I give the said negroes say David
and Cherry to my said grandson Lem. Laurence Croft, to him &
his heirs forever.

Item. It is my desire that none of my property should be
sold to discharge any debt, but that my son Jonas Laurence
and my son in law Sepe R. Croft should pay all my just debts
between them equally.

Item. Lastly I constitute my trusty friend John Pipkin my son
Jonas Laurence and my son in law Sepe R. Croft my Executors
to this my last Will and Testament, revoking all other Wills
heretofore made by me and declaring this to be my last Will
and Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my
hand and seal this 14th day of January Anno Dom. 1807

Sign'd, seal'd, pronounced
& declar'd in presence of

Lem. Laurence (Seal)

Reddick Croft

D. C. Darden

Sepe Vann

In addition to the foregoing Will &c.

Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Mary Laurence
Twenty pounds to her & her heirs forever.

Item I give unto my grandson Lemuel L. Croft one negro boy
called Wilson to him and his heirs forever.

Item I give unto my daughter Polly Croft one negro girl
called Selvia and all the residue of my property not already
given away, to her & her heirs forever.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this
the 29 of March 1811.

Test. John Pipkin

Abram Darden
mark

Lemuel Laurence (Seal)

Northampton County 1st June Court 1811.

The foregoing Will of Lemuel Laurence dec'd was proved in open
Court by the Oaths of Reddick Croft D. C. Darden and Sepe Vann
and the Ecclesiastical Church's annexed was proved by the oath of John Pipkin,
ordered to be recorded.

July 21. 1811. Haynes

John Hatfield's Will.

In the name of God Amen. I John Hatfield of Northampton
County and State of North Carolina being in a low state of
health, but of sound and perfect mind blessed be God, do
this 14th day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand
eight hundred and eleven make and publish this my last
Will and Testament in manner following -

Item 1. I wish all my property after my decease to be sold at
six months credit and after paying all my just ac-
counts, to the balance if any to go as follows -

Item 2. I give unto Sofia Dorn Fifty Dollars -

Item 3. I give unto my son Richard Hatfield what balance
then may be left, and for my Executor to keep it in his
possession two years and should he not apply for it in
that length of time I give it unto Miles Hatfield son of
my Brother Richard Hatfield to him & his heirs forever
and in case of his death without issue the property
with the interest due thereon to be given unto John Hatfield
son of my Brother Richard to him & his heirs forever -

And I hereby make & ordain my worthy friend Williams
P. Morgan Executor of this my last Will & Testament -
In witness whereof I the said John Hatfield have to
this my last Will & Testament set my hand and seal
this 14th day of May above written.

Signed & sealed in
the presence of
H. M. Banks.

John Hatfield (Seal)

Northampton