

along with me to the beginning, my negroes, I do and all their children and their increase during her natural life, provided she leaves no more upon my land; and if any three children die before my said wife leaving no child or children of her own and in that case give the property but as aforesaid to my said wife and her heirs forever, but if of my said daughters or either of them should have a child or children I give the said property to them and their heirs forever. I lend unto my three daughters Elizabeth Linda & Nicholas Mary Francis Nicholas and Martha Riels & Nicholas the following property and estate to wit, old Abby young Abby young Betty Suckley Lewis Daniel John Rosetta and Harry Hannah Jacob Charity Lucy Rob Matt Rachael Beck Jim Sarah Rebecca Eady Charles & Peggy Dixy and if there be any more of my said negroes not now recollecting or included it is my will that they be included with those last as aforesaid to my said three daughters, all which said negroes I lend as aforesaid till my youngest daughter be married or arrive to the age of twenty one years. It is my will and desire that old Abby with the rest of my expensive negroes remain on the same side of the branch where they now reside in order to try to make what support they can for themselves, and that my executors do for them as they think best. If my said children should die before the youngest arrives to twenty one years of age or marries and leave no child or children and my wife should still be living I then and in that case give devise and bequeath the whole of my estate of what kind soever to her and her heirs forever; but if my said daughters or either of them should survive till my said youngest daughter arrive to the age of twenty one or marries or until the same she would be twenty one years old if living I give devise & bequeath unto such survivor or survivors child or children or their issue all the said property but as aforesaid to them and their heirs forever. Item it is my will and desire that my executors herein often named sell all the remainder and residue of my estate and out of the proceeds of the same pay all my just debts and if any money left in hand after the payment of my said debts it is my will that it be equally divided between and among my wife and children. Item I hereby nominate and appoint my friend Richard Whitaker and my wife Mary Ann Nicholas my whole and sole executors to this my last will and testament hereby revoking and declaring null and void all other wills by me heretofore made. In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 27th day of March in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and sixteen.

Signed sealed & acknowledged by the said I Nicholas *Test*

John Nicholas as his last will & testament

in the presence of W. Goolley, C. Edmunds Hardy Cobb.

A Nathampton Court 1816 This last will & testament of John Nicholas died was exhibited in Court and proved by the oaths of William Goolley Phoebe Cobb two of the subscribing witnesses thereto, whereupon Richard Whitaker the executor therein named qualified according to law, time being reserved for the

The executor to qualify accordingly.

Test

James C. Harrison Clerk

John Milliken's will. In the name of God amen I John Milliken of Northampton Nath Carolina being weak of body but strong of mind and memory do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner & form following to wit. Item first. It is my will and desire that all my just debts be paid. Item second. I give and bequeath to my beloved wife one feather bed & furniture and one small horse and gig which I gave to her and her heirs forever, also I give her one negro man named Nelson which I give to her during her life or widowhood. Item third. I give to my son Henry C. Milliken the land and plantation whereon I now live, also I give him three hundred dollars in cash which I give to him and his heirs forever. Item fourth. I give to my daughter Abigail the Milliken one negro man by name Lannon also I give her the land I bought of Philip Brattle whereon Abigail Brattle now lives and I give her one feather bed and furniture which I give to her and her heirs forever. Item fifth. I give to my daughter Mary Milliken one negro boy by name Luke which I give to her and her heirs forever. Item sixth. It is my will and desire that the balance of my estate both real and personal be equally divided among my three children herebefore mentioned. Lastly I appoint my friends Thomas Branch and Collier W. Barnes executors to this my last will and testament. dated this 12th of March 1816.

Signed sealed & acknowledged in presence John Milliken *Test* of res. William Woodrooff Edwin Davis.

Nathampton June Court 1816. This last will and testament of John Milliken died was exhibited in Court and proved by the oaths of William Woodrooff and Edwin Davis the subscribing witnesses thereto, whereupon Collier W. Barnes one of the executors therein named qualified thereto according to law, time being reserved for the other executor to qualify.

Test,

James C. Harrison Clerk

William Brewer's Will. In the name of God amen I William Brewer of the County of Northampton and State of North Carolina being weak in body but of sound and perfect mind and memory, or you may say this considering the uncertainty of this mortal life and being of so old an age and memory blessed be Almighty God for the same do make and publish this my last will and testament in manner and form following that is to say first. I desire that all my just debts should be paid, for which I set apart my half of the mill and all the land I own on both sides of the creek up to the upper mill line, if that should fail any part of the property that the family should please to dispose of. I lend to Solomon Brewer the Pecan and Pecan Shadrach Grants line and down the white pine branch to the same