John Bass's Will.

In the name of god amen I John Bass of the County of Northampton North Carolina being in perfect sense and memory do ordain this my last will and testament as follows—

Item, I give and bequeath unto my beloved daughter Peggy Bass one feather bed and such furniture as she has called her own heretofore, and one large blue Chest to her and to her heirs forever and all the rest of my perishable estate except my horses to be sold and out of such sales first pay and satisfy my just debts and out of the one flesh money I wish and direct to be equally devided between my beloved wife Rhody Bass and my beloved children to wit Uriah Bass, and my daughter Peggy to have an equal proportion besides the above gift, and Sterling Bass, Lewis Bass and my daughter Mary Bass and my daughter Martha Bass, and James Bass and John Bass & Gideon Bass and William Bass, and it is the true intent and meaning that at my death that the said property shall be sold after geting in and making of the said Crop which is now depending only to such property as I have given to my daughter, which is not to be taken from her, and she is to have an equal share besides with the rest of my children and I do hereby appoint John Coker my Executor of this my last will and testament and I further wish and direct that at next fall after moving to the Indiana with such horses as I am in possession of, or my family may have as my labour that Dolphin Roberts and James Roberts shall sell such horses and receive the money and put it to the use of James Bass and John Bass, Gideon Bass and William Bass and make an equal division between such child or children as their support. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this day and date first above written. Signed Sealed In presence of this 9th day of April 1828.

Witness.
James Hart, William Epps.

John his + mark Bass (Seal)

Northampton County June Court 1828.

This last will and Testament of John Bass deceased was exhibited in open Court and proved in due form of law by the oath of James Hart and William Epps the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be certified and recorded. Whereupon John Coker the Executor therein named qualified according to law — at the same time Rhody Bass entered her dissent to the provisions made for her in said will.

Test, John W Hanson Clk

Judith Copeland's Will.

I Judith Copeland of Northampton County State of North Carolina do make and ordain this to be my last will and testament. this 12th day of the first month in the year of our lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty six In manner as followeth—

First My will and desire that all my just debts and funeral expenses be paid by my executor, hereafter named.

Second I give and bequeath to my son William Copeland Sixty six Dollars and 25/100 to him and his heirs forever.

Third. I give and bequeath unto my son Eli Copeland Sixty six Dollars and 25/100 to him and his heirs forever.

Fourth I give and bequeath to my son Elwood Copeland Sixty six Dollars and 25/100 to him and his heirs forever.

Fifth. It is my will and direct that all the remaining part of my estate be equally devided between all my children viz. Jane Outland, Pharaba Hall, Jonathan Copeland, David Copeland Ann Hall, Jesse Copeland, William Copeland, Eli Copeland and Elwood Copeland to them and their heirs forever—

Sixth And lastly I nominate and appoint Jonathan Copeland my executor

Signed in presence of
Jonah Parker
Rachell her + mark Lassiter
Lewis his + mark Boon

Judith Copeland (Seal)

Northampton County September Court 1828.

This last will and testament of Judith Copeland deceased was exhibited in open Court and proved in due form of law by the solemn affirmation of Jonah Parker one of the subscribing witnesses thereto. Whereupon Jonathan Copeland the Executor therein named qualified according to law, and ordered to be certified and recorded.

Test

John W Hanson Clk

William Lassiters Will.

State of North Carolina, Northampton County

I William Lassiter of the County and State aforesaid being weak in body but of sound mind and memory, & considering the certainty of death & the uncertainty of this mortal life do make and publish this my last will and testament in manner and form following,

First My will and desire is that all my just debts should be paid.

Second. My desire is that my beloved wife Margaret Lassiter should have the use of one half of my lands and plantation with my houses during her natural life or widowhood, the line to run as the Crop fence does from Richard Grants line to the old land on Willie Tuttalls

Third. My desire is that my daughter Margan Parker though born out of wedlock should have the other half of my lands adjoining Edwin Grants line, also one negro boy by name of Jordan, one bed & furniture to her and her heirs forever

Fourth. I give my wife one negro man by name of Peter to her and her heirs forever, also one years support for herself and family to be allotted to her by three good men.

Fifth I give my son Daniel M Lassiter one negro boy by name of Burrell also I give the land that I have left my wife after her death or marriage to him and his heirs forever

Sixth My desire is that if either of the children above named should die before they came to lawful age or have a lawful heir, the other should have the lot of the property, if both should die without a lawful heir my desire is that my sister Peggy Parker's children should have their property

Seventh Lastly my desire is that the whole of my property not given away, should be sold