

Thomas Sikes's Will. In the name of God amen I Thomas Sikes of the County of Northampton being of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory, do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner following that is to say -

Item I give unto my supposed daughters Olive Parks, Elizabeth Parks, Mary Parks, Fanny Parks and Betty Parks the whole of my estate both within and out doors both real and personal to them and their heirs forever, but if all of the aforesaid supposed daughters should die without having a lawful child I then give the aforesaid property to my supposed son Elias Lapeter -

Item It is my will and desire that the above property which I have given away should continue together without any division during each their lives without each of them should consent to a division, and when such division should take place if any for each of them to share and share alike. and further I nominate and appoint my supposed son Elias Lapeter my whole sole executor to this my last will and testaments revoking and making void all other wills made by me. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hands and seal this 15th day of September 1826 Signed sealed and acknowledged

In the presence of
William Wade, Solomon B. Goodson

Thomas Sikes
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Northampton County December Court 1820.

This last will and testament of Thomas Sikes deceased was exhibited in open Court and proved in due form of law by the oath of Solomon B. Goodson one of the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded. Whereupon Elias Lapeter the Executor therein named qualified as the law directs.

Teste John W. Harrison clk

Wyatt Hardings's Will. In the name of God amen I Wyatt Hardings of the County of Northampton and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory, do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner following that is to say -

First I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Elizabeth two negroes Nelly Allen and Abby and their increase forever to her and her heirs.

Secondly - I send unto my beloved wife Elizabeth during her life one third part of my lands and estate which property as land I wish at my wife's death to be equally divided between my sons William and George -

Thirdly I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Elizabeth after all my just debts and paid and also the sum of one hundred dollars to my son William also the sum of one hundred dollars to my son George. Whatever may be left of my crop of all kinds household and kitchen furniture, stock of every description & plantation articles of every description which may belong to me at my death to her and her heirs forever.

Fourthly I give and bequeath to my sons William George the remaining two thirds of my lands and estate to them and their heirs forever.

Fifth I give and bequeath to my sons William and George the following negroes & their increase Nelly Isaac, Jerry and Austin Comeline and Eliza which said with their increase I wish equally divided between them so soon as my son William arrives to the age of twenty years -

Sixthly It is my will and desire and I wish it expressly understood that the property above named which I give to my sons William and George remain in the possession of my wife Elizabeth during her widowhood or until my eldest son arrives at the age of twenty for the purpose of buying clothing and educating my said children in a decent manner -

Seventhly - It is further my will and desire that if my wife should marry before my eldest son arrives at the age of twenty that all the property herein named as given to my children be placed in the hands of a Guardian who I wish appointed the first Court after the marriage of my wife and the lands and negroes which I have given them I wish rented and hired and out of the proceeds of the same I wish to be appropriated to their use - It is further my wish that if either of my children should die before they arrive to the age of twenty years, it is then my will and desire after my brother William Hardings has taken out one of the said choice negroes herein given to my children and the negro so chosen by him I give to him and his lawful heirs forever - that my beloved wife Elizabeth should take her second choice of the two said remaining negroes together with the above mentioned two hundred dollars that I have herein given to my children also the lands herein given to them to her during her life - I further wish after my brother William and my wife Elizabeth has taken out their choice of the above named negroes that the remaining part should be equally divided between my brother George to them and their heirs forever - and I hereby make and ordain my living wife Elizabeth Guardian with my brother William Executor of this my last will and testaments revoking all other wills I have heretofore made. In Witness I have hereunto set my hands and seal this 28th day of May 1826 one thousand eight hundred and twenty eight Signed sealed and acknowledged

In presence of
James Davis, W. Mayes, Simon Harris

Wyatt Hardings

Northampton County December Court 1829 This last will and testament of Wyatt Hardings deceased was exhibited in open Court and proved in due form of law by the oath of Simon Harris one of the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded. Whereupon Elizabeth Hardings the Executor therein named qualified as the law directs -

Teste John W. Harrison clk

Sally Suter's Will. In the name of God, I Sally Suter of Northampton County and State of North Carolina, being of sound mind and disposing memory do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner as follows -

Item I give to my daughter Mary B. Suter my negro man Bob, but should my said daughter die without a living child at her death then it is my will & desire that the