

Benjamin Person's Will. In the name of god amew I Benjamin Person of Northampton County No Carolina being in a low state of health but of sound mind and memory do make and ordain this my last will and testament. In manner and form following to wit Item the 1<sup>st</sup> I send unto my beloved wife Rebecca Person one negro man named Sandy, one negro Woman named Tim, and 2 boys Attmore and Hillmon and a negro woman named Chocolate and two children Susan and Harriet and the house plantation including the Lands I purchased of James and Thomas Hicks James Sterling and the Peterson plantation I purchased of Joel Holt and the land I purchased of Wm. Hicks also the carriage and two horses by the name of Dave and Indian Queen my Brandy Still, four Cows and yearlings light feather Birds of furniture household and kitchen furniture Plantation utensils of all kinds during his natural life. Item 2<sup>nd</sup> My will is that the balance of my negroes when my oldest son Wm G Person arrives to the age of 21 years or marries shall be equally divided among all my children Wm Person Mary Lucy Person Frances D Person Thomas J P Person Benjamin Franklin Person, Harriet & Martha Elizabeth Nancy Person each of them to draw their equal part when they arrive to the age of twenty one years or marries to them and their heirs forever. my will is that my son Thomas G Person should have at his death the Land I purchased of Joel Holt which I give to him and his heirs forever. Also give the lands I purchased of James and Thomas Hicks and James Sterling and to Wm Hicks to my son Benjamin J Person to him and his heirs forever. My will is the negroes I give to my children together with my Stock of all kinds should remain together with my wife until my above named children arrives to the age above written or married for the purpose of schooling my children. Lastly I do nominate and appoint my wife Rebecca Person and Samuel Hargrave Executor and Executrix to this my last will & Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January 1826.

Sally B Jordan, John & Hicks  
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By " Person Esq"

It is also my will that the negroes I sent my wife together with all the Stock, Carriage and furniture both household and Kitchen plantation utensils should at her death be equally divided among my above named children, — This Supplement was attach'd to the above will before it was signed —

Northampton County Court 1826. This last will and testament of Benjamin Person deceased was exhibited to open Court and presented in due form of law by the oaths of Sally B Jordan and John Beck the subscribers witnesses thereto. Whereupon Rebecca Person the Executrix thereto named qualified according to law, ordered to be certified recorded.

Seal of Mrs. W. Franklin Esq

Helen Grizzell's Will. State of North Carolina Northampton County. In the name of god amew I Helen Grizzell of the State and County aforesaid do make and ordain this to be my last will and testament in the following manner. In the first place I beseech my soul into the hands of god my creator hoping that I shall be made fit object of his everlasting love. Item I give unto Joel Grizzell the son of Thomas Grizzell and Louisa Taylor the daughter of Rebecca Taylor all my property of every description to be equally divided. These negroes excepted that is to say old Woman Judy, Sam and Amy the son & daughter of old Judy, Sam and Amy I give unto Francis Taylor, the daughter of Mrs Sam Vaughan his master, Sam Taylor, old Woman Judy. I wish to be set at liberty and to be supported by Joel Grizzell during his life. It is my will and desire that Joel Grizzell should have that part of my Land on which my Dwelling house is situated, and that part of the Land which is to be allotted to Louisa Taylor. I wish Joel Grizzell to have a house built immediately for him and his mother to live in, the timber for the building is all ready prepared. All my negroes I wish to be kept together this year and make a crop. The ensuing year I wish the negroes I have left to Louisa Taylor to be delivered to Sam Vaughan the husband of his mother and he to take the management of them to the best advantage for his benefit until she arrives to the age of Twenty One, or gets married and also the encouragement I wish for all the remainder of my negroes & Stock of every description Corn and field & household furniture to be equally divided between the above mentioned Joel Grizzell and Louisa Taylor. It is my wish and desire that Joel Grizzell shall take the management of Louisa Taylor's property and continue to manage it to the best advantage for his benefit, until she arrives to the age of Twenty One or gets married his negroes are not to be sold out but is to cultivate the Land which I have left her. It is my will that Rebecca Taylor shall live on the Land which I have left unto his daughter Louisa and be decently supported from off the Property which I have left his daughter Louisa until the aforesaid Louisa shall get married or arrive to the age of Twenty one. I wish my Executor to sell my property which he may think fit to pay my just debts Land & negroes