

22 Araron Parker's Will

I Araron Parker of County of Northampton and State of North Carolina do make my last will and Testament in manner and form following (writ) first I leave to my wife Mary Parker one third part of the land where I now live also negro Jordan and Lucy also I give two sons and pigs two guns and hounds one feather bed and furniture one powder dish and hagon one watch Bole four sitting chairs also one they were by the name of Hill. Secondly I give unto my Daughter Eliza proper wife of William Graper one fourth part of my land where he now lives to her and her heirs forever. Thirdly I give unto my Daughter Martha Hicks one fourth part of my land where she now lives to her and her heirs forever. Fourthly I give unto my Daughter Anne Graper one fourth part of my land where said Graper now lives to her and her heirs forever. Fifthly I give unto my Daughter Elizabeth Glover the wife of John Glover one fourth part of my land where said Glover now lives to her and her heirs forever. Lastly It is my will and desire that the negroes I have my wife and all the other property not uplaid away after paying my just debts be equally divided among all my children above named. Lastly I do nominate John Glover my only Executor of this my last will and Testament in full confidence that he will carry the same in to effect in all things whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this fifth day of August 1830.

Witness present Araron Parker

Alexander Tubbs of Hill Tubbs.

Northampton County June Court 1831.

This last will and Testament of Araron Parker do as is written in open Court and proved in due form of Law by the oaths of Alexander Tubbs & William Tubbs the subscribing witnesses then be witness upon John Glover the Executor named in the will & qualified according to law once in solemn Oath to be testified and recorded.

Joel Ketchum Clerk

Benjamin Sharrod Will

In the name of God amen. I Benjamin Sharrod of the County of Northampton & State of North Carolina do make and declare this my last will and Testament in manner and form as follows (writ). I leave unto my wife Sally all of the personal estate which will be coming to me from my father's estate during of her natural life or widowhood.

Provided she should have an heir by me at my death and desire that she should take care of ~~the~~ said property at her death & mortgage. Should she child be the longest liver, I give and bequeath all of the said property to said child it is my wish that the crop should be continued and sold to pay my just debts. Item 2^d Provided my wife should not have an heir by me. I give and bequeath unto my sister Susan Martha & Sally Sharrod all of the land which will be coming to me from my father's estate to them and their heirs forever but should my wife have a child by me I give and bequeath the said land to the child if it should be a longer liver than either of my sisters and if the child should die without heir for my sister to have the land as soon given should either of my sisters die without heir it is my wish that the surviving one should have the 2^d Land. Item 3^d I give and bequeath unto my wife Sally her choice of my dress and furniture to her and her heirs forever and the balance of my property not named I have to be sold. Should my wife die without an heir by me it is my wish the all of the property I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 19th day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty one.

Witness Augustus Moore & Ethelreda S. Taylor Benjamin Sharrod

Northampton County June Court 1831.

This last will and Testament of Benjamin Sharrod after exhibition in open Court and proved in due form of Law by the oaths of Augustus Moore & Ethelreda S. Taylor the subscribing witnesses then be witness upon John S. Taylor the Executor then named & qualified with Law demands once in solemn Oath to be testified and recorded.

Joel Ketchum Clerk

John Popes Will

In the name of God amen. I John Popes do make and declare this my last will and Testament in manner and form as follows (writ) I leave unto my wife Martha all my estate after paying of my just debts during of her natural life and after her death to be equally divided among my surviving children to them and their heirs forever. I do nominate and appoint James Jackson & John S. Taylor my true and lawful Executors in all things whereof I have hereunto set my hand this 19th day of April 1831.

Witness John Sharrod & Ethelreda S. Taylor John Popes

This last will and testament of John Pope, do^{ce} was proved in open Court by the oath of Arthur Sherrod a subscribing witness thereto. Upon open the said Thoma named refused to qualify thereto, and in witness whereof to be certified & recorded.

Test R. Williams Clerk.

William S. Lawrence's Will. In the name of God Amen I William S. Lawrence of Northampton County State of N. Carolina being now afflicted in body but of a sound mind and memory do make and declare this my last will and testament in the manner and form as follows, viz. after my last debts are paid and my funeral expenses discharged I distribute my worldly goods according to the following items. Item the first. I leave to my beloved wife Eliza the whole of my property that I now possess in my house and the whole of my negroes that shall be in my possession at the day of my death - also my stock of horses, mules and cattle, sheep and hogs - also the whole of my plantation utensils, together with the whole of my household and kitchen furniture, with the exception of one feather bed and furniture - this all above named to her during her widowhood.

Item the second, I give and bequeath to Henry Fitchell one feather bed and furniture together with the sum of fifty dollars in Cash, this to her the said Henry and her heirs forever.

Item the third, after my wife's death or marriage, should she marry again then my will and desire is and do hereby give and bequeath to my beloved daughter in law Narcissa Brown the whole of my property of every description that have not been before her given away, this to her the said Narcissa and her heirs forever.

And lastly I appoint and declare my worthy friends Edmund Jacobs Esq^r and Joel Connor to be executors of this my last will & testament made by me William S. Lawrence this the sixteenth day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty one.

Signed sealed and acknowledged

William S. Lawrence Esq^r

in presence of

Samuel Story - Littlebury H. Smith

Benjamin H. Warrick
mark

Northampton County September Court 1831.

This last will & testament of William S. Lawrence do^{ce} was exhibited in open Court and proved by the oath of Samuel Story & Benjamin Warrick two of the subscribing witnesses thereto, whereupon Edmund Jacobs one of the Executors therein named qualified as the law directs, on Motion, ordered to be certified & recorded.

Test R. Williams Clerk.

Emilus Fly's Will. In the name of God Amen I Emilus Fly being weak in body but of sound and disposing mind and memory do make this my last will and testament in manner and form following.

First I leave unto my daughter Polly Fries the property of one share in Poppleton for and during her natural life and at her death I give and bequeath the same to her surviving children to be equally divided between them share and share alike. The before mentioned property consists of two feather beds and furniture on four sin chairs, trunks, and table, two dishes, half dozen plates, three beds, three pairs of iron spinning wheel.

Secondly my will and desire is that the whole of the residue of my property be sold and the money arising from such sale after paying my just debts be equally divided between my wife Mary and my children her own name I John Fly, William Fly, Elizabeth Fly, Ann Fly, Elizabeth and Joseph Polly Fries and Mary Fly to them and their heirs forever.

I hereby and lastly I constitute my son John Fly, who and she executor to this my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand this 30 day of Oct^r 1831. Signed sealed & acknowledged

In presence of
M. H. Barnes

Couler's Fly
mark

Northampton County - Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions September Term 1831
This last will and testament of Emilus Fly do^{ce} was exhibited in open Court and proved in due form of law by the oath of William H. Barnes, the subscribing witness thereto, whereupon John Fly the Executor therein named qualified as such as the law directs. Ordered to be certified & recorded.

Test R. Williams Clerk.

Mary Maddox's Will. In the name of God Amen I Mary Maddox of Northampton County State of N. Carolina being of sound mind and disposing memory, do make and publish this my last will & testament.

First I give and bequeath unto my grand son Henry Maddox (son of William Maddox) three negroes viz. Carter, Peter, Mabel and their future increase to them and their heirs forever.

Secondly I give and bequeath unto my son William Maddox the whole of the balance of my estate, after paying my last debts and funeral expenses, to him and his heirs forever.

I do hereby nominate and appoint my son William Maddox my whole and sole executor to this my last will & testament, discharging and making void all other wills heretofore made by me. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal, this twenty ninth day of June anno domini one thousand eight hundred and twenty six 1826
Signed sealed and acknowledged
in presence of a John Peterson & John Thomas

Northampton County - September Court 1831. This last will & testament of Mary Maddox do^{ce} was exhibited in open Court and proved in due form of law by the oath of John Peterson and John Thomas the subscribing witnesses thereto, whereupon William Maddox the Executor therein named qualified as the law directs.

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R. Williams Clerk.