

Thomas H Raney's Will. In the name of God Amen
I Thomas H Raney of the County of Northampton & State of North Carolina
being sick and weak in body but of sound mind and disposing memory
(for which I thank God) calling to mind the uncertainty of life & knowing
that it is appointed unto all men once to die and being desirous to dispose
of the worldly goods with which God has blessed me do hereby declare
the same in the manner following - I leave to my beloved wife Elizabeth
Raney the following slaves namely Alfred Violet and Maria, with their
increase also a little boy Marv and his fifty five choice in two Cows & calves
two sows and pigs and one year's possession my stock of sheep and the
tract of Land on which I now live his choice of the feather Beds &
furniture and my Custom Wood stand his choice of half a dozen sitting
Chairs, one dining table, two Iron pots, four Dutch ovens one dozen Copperstoves
one dozen plates half dozen tinns and forks, one side Saddle unto her the
said Elizabeth Raney to be by her possessed and enjoyed during her natural
life and at her death to be equally divided among my children except the
Land and that to be equally divided between my two daughters Eliza
H Raney and Sarah E Raney -

Item I give to my daughter Mary J Raney the following slaves namely Patty
and her two children Henry and Keffen and their increase, and my hand
at the Cro's roads adjoining the Land of August Edwards & William Wilkins
also one Bed and Bedstead furniture next choice to her mother and
my Mahogany Bureau unto her and her heirs forever -

Item I give to my daughter Nancy L Raney the following slaves namely John
and Sterling and their increase also my tract of Land lying on Greensville
County N^o adjoining the Land of Colonel J Williams and also Dining
Wardrobe also one Bedstead furniture next choice unto her and her heirs forever -

Item I give to my daughter Elizabeth H Raney the following slaves namely
Polly and Washington and their increase one bedstead furniture next
choice unto her and her heirs forever -

Item I give unto my daughter Sarah E Raney the following slaves namely Mat
and Wenny and their increase also one Bedstead and furniture unto
her and her heirs forever -

Item I give unto my son Thomas W Raney the following slaves namely Peter
and his child Winder and their increase, likewise I give unto my said
son Thomas W Raney the balance of the tract of Land purchased of
Austin Blacklock after taking off one hundred acres which I sold to
Peter Raney adjoining the Land of Charles Walpole's path on the
Virginia line the dividing line to run near north and South -

also five hundred Dollars to be kept at Interest untill he arrives to the
age of Twenty one year for his support unto him and his heirs forever -
All the balance of my property I leave to be sold to the highest bidder
at public Sale upon a credit of twelve months, and then after paying all
my just debts (if any) to be equally divided between my wife and children
and the childrens part to be kept at Interest for their support, also the child-
rens progress to be hired and their lands rented for their support should
any of the children die before they come of age to receive their property my
wish is that it should be equally divided between my wife & the surviving
children - Lastly I constitute my friend John J Weaver Executor
of this my last Will and Testaments hereby revoking all other Wills and
Testaments heretofore by me made - Signed Sealed and delivered this
6th day of March A^D 1826 -

In the presence of us

John Bradley, Merit L King
Michael Piggan, Edum King.

Thomas H Raney

Northampton County December fourth 1826 - This last will and testament
of Thomas H Raney dec^d was exhibited in open Court and proved in due
form of law by the oath of Edum King one of the subscribing Witnesses
therein and that John Bradley, Merit L King and Michael Piggan witness
to the same in his presence - Whereupon John J Weaver the Executor
therein named qualified as the law directs - and ordered to be certified
and recorded -
Teste John W Davidson C^l C^l

Stephen Brown's Will. In the name of God Amen I
Stephen Brown of Northampton County and State of North Carolina do
declare this to be my last will and testament in manner and form as
follows - Item 1st I leave unto my wife Mary Brown and my three
children Peterson Stephen and Joseph Rogers Dampy Will then of the
choice mule, Wagon, twelve head of Sheep twelve head of Cattle three
Beds, three set of furniture my double big, Harniss and big horse
all my Crop of Corn and fodder. The above property I leave unto my
wife during her life time but should Dampy or Wills misbehave I
want my Executor to sell them - I appoint William Britton Executor
to this my last will and testament September 23rd 1826 -

Thos. W Gregory
Thomas Brooks
Thomas Brown

Stephen B Brown
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