

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, thank be to god, for the same, when calling to mind the mortality of my body I do make this my last will and testament first of all I commend my soul to the hands of god, and that my body to be decently buried at the discretion of my friends or Executors, and as touching what worldly estate which I have been blessed with in this life I give bequeath and devise in the following manner

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
make

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 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 testaments in manner following that is to say.

First I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Elizabeth two negroes vizt 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 vizt Isaac, Jerry, and Austin Comelane 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 Executor with my brother William Executor of this my last will and testaments revoking all other wills I have hitherto 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

said negro man should return to my estate and be equally divided between my children Arthur & Julia, Martha Ann Suter and Emily & Suter and then here follow -
 Item I give to my daughter Mary Bottom one hundred and fifty dollars in lieu of part of
 negro boy sent to her and her husband

Item I give to my son Arthur & Julia one small man to him and her husband -
 And my will and desire that the whole of my estate not given away be sold and all my
 just debts paid and the balance be equally divided between my children Mary
 Bottom, Arthur & Suter, Martha Ann Suter and my two grand children Caroline
 and John L Long (they draw one share) to them and then here follow - except my
 said two grand children in case one of them dies without lawful heir then the other
 to him his or her part and in case both should die without lawful heir then it
 is my will that their part should return to my estate and be equally divided between
 my children Arthur & Suter, Martha Ann Suter and Emily Suter to them and
 then here follow - I hereby nominate and appoint my friend Joseph M Sargent
 my executor to this my last will and testament. In Witness whereof I have
 hereunto set my hand and seal this 11th day of September eighteen hundred
 and twenty nine -

Witness, Mr. Bottom, Mary Suter

Sally Suter (Seal)

Northampton County December Court 1829

This last will and testament of Sally Suter dec'd was
 exhibited in open Court and proved in due form of law by the oath of William
 Bottom one of the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded -
 Whereupon Joseph M Sargent the executor therein named qualified as the law directs
 Teste John W Harrison clk

Fanny Dewart's Will. In the name of God amen I Fanny Dewart being in a
 low state of bodily health at present but thanks be to gods of sound mind and memory
 desire to make will as follows (to wit) I give my soul to almighty gods who gave it -
 Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Fella Fannin all my stock of horses, cattle
 hogs and sheep to her and her husband forever and also all my household & kitchen
 furniture to her and her husband forever - My desire is that my friends William
 Grant may act as my executor to this my will - Given under my hands and seals
 this first day of August 1829
 Thomas Foy, Hannah & Thomas
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 Fanny & Dewart (Seal)

Northampton County December Court 1829. This last will and testament of
 Fanny Dewart dec'd was exhibited in open Court and proved in due form of law
 by the oath of Thomas Foy one of the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered
 to be recorded - The executor named in said Will refused to qualify &c

Teste John W Harrison clk

Surrell Moody's Will. In the name of God Amen I Surrell Moody of the
 County of Northampton & State of North Carolina being in perfect health of body & perfect
 mind and memory thanks be to gods for the same. calling unto mind the mortality of my
 body and knowing that it is once appointed for all men to die do make and ordain this my last
 will and testament that is to say principally and first of all I give and recommend my soul
 into the hands of almighty god that gave it and my body I recommend to earth to be
 buried in a decent christian burial nothing doubting but at the general resurrection I
 shall receive the same again by the mighty power of gods and to such worldly estate
 whereunto it hath pleased God to bless in this life, I give devise & dispose of the same
 in the following manner and form

First I leave to my beloved wife Mary Moody all my estate both real and personal, both stocks
 of all kinds plantation utensils household & kitchen furniture during her natural life
 and at her death it is my will that my son Joseph Moody shall have namely my
 Negro James & Solomon Dick & Patten, Rose and Anne & Miles & Esther & Rose and
 Mary & all their future increase from the present date & all my stock of hogs cattle & horses
 except one horse. I will my grandson John Shaw and I will John Shaw one negro but
 named Betty and to his lawful heirs
 I give to my son Joseph my land the tract whereon I now live and the tract I bought
 of my brother Benjamin Moody and likewise all my plantation utensils likewise all
 my household and kitchen furniture at my wife Mary's death except one feather bed I
 give to John Shaw which all I give to my beloved son Joseph Moody and to the
 heirs of his body of any and of out to expose of as he thinks proper of John Shaw dies
 without a lawful heir what I have given him is to come back to Joseph Moody and to
 the heirs of his body -

Next I give my two sons Frederick Moody and Benjamin the brown each and to my two
 daughters Middy Spivey and Eliza Hodges ten dollars each and the balance of my
 money and the debts due me I give and bequeath to my beloved son Joseph Moody and
 to the heirs of his body. I do hereby utterly disavow revoke and disannul all
 and every other former testaments or will hereafter by me made. I do ratify and
 confirm that and no other to be my last will and testament. I do nominate and
 appoint my beloved son Joseph Moody my Executor to this my last will and tes-
 tament this 6th of January eighteen hundred and twenty nine -
 Signed sealed & acknowledged in presence of us
 Richard Moore
 Surrell & Moody (Seal)
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Northampton County December Court 1829. The last will and testament of Surrell
 Moody dec'd was exhibited in open Court and proved in due form of law by the oath of
 Richard Moore, Middy & Moody and William & Moody, the witnesses thereto and
 ordered to be recorded. Whereupon Joseph Moody the executor therein named qualified
 as the law directs -
 Teste John W Harrison clk