

excepted. Lastly I do constitute and appoint Joel Grizzard the son of
Thomas Grizzard Executor to this my last will and testament. In
Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the
28th March 1826.

Joel Grizzard

Witness - Allen Parkley Gray Palmer

Northampton County June Court 1826. This last Will and Testament
of Thomas Grizzard dec^d was exhibited in open Court and proved in due
form of law by the oaths Allen Parkley and Gray Palmer the subscr-
bing Witnesses thereto. Whereupon Joel Grizzard the Executor therein
named qualified according to law & ordered to be certified & recorded.

Teste John W. Hamilton Sec^y

Thomas Turner's Will. In the name of God Amen. I
Thomas Turner of the county of Northampton and State of North Carolina
(being weak in body, but of sound and disposing mind and memory) do
make publish and ordain this my last will and testament in manner
following to wit. First. I recommend my soul to Almighty God who
gave it to me in hope of a joyful resurrection, and as to my worldly
goods I dispose of them as follows. Item. I leave unto my loving
Wife Jane Turner the land and plantation whereon I now live during
her life containing (Six hundred and twenty eight acres (more or less))
also my negro Woman Wrenny and her Children, Charlotte, Anderson
George and Niny and their future increase also young man Elot one
horse or more of his own choosing to have and to hold during his natural
life. Item. I give and bequeath unto my said wife Jane two feather
beds and furniture with all the Bed furniture, which belonged to her
at our intermarriage, one Desk, one dressing Table and one third part of the
proceeds of all my purchasable estate except my slaves, and the money due
to me for those already sold, and that which shall arise from the sale
of those slaves which shall hereafter be directed in this my Will to be
sold to her and her heirs forever. Item. As to my wife, Jane, and
direction that my Executors herein named lay off and set apart to
my said wife Jane for the exclusive use of herself and family during
the present year a sufficiency of Corn & Bacon, with the Sugar, flour
Lard and Salt which is already laid in but if my wife should die
during this year, that whatever of the said provisions may remain shall
be claimed and taken into the care of my said Executors and accounted
for by them as part of my Estate. Item. I give devise and bequeath
unto my two Daughters Elizabeth Hollamon and Dorcas Turner after
the death of my said Wife the land and plantation whereon I now live
containing Six hundred and twenty eight acres more or less with another

small tract of Twenty two and a half acres (more or less) known by the name
of Dorcas Place which adjoins the aforesaid tract to be equally divided between
them having regard to quantity as well as quality also three hundred &
Dollars in money to each of them. To have and to hold the said lands
and money to them and their heirs forever. Item. It is my wife Jane's
and direction that after the death of my Wife Jane, my negro Girl Charlotte
be sold to the person who may purchase her mother Wrenny, two thirds
of the proceeds of which sale I give and bequeath unto my Grand son
Thomas Turner and one third to my Grandson Edward Turner to them
and their heirs forever. Item. I give and bequeath to John Harrington
of Halifax County (son of Polly Harrington one hundred Dollars to him
and his heirs. Item. I give and bequeath unto my Grand son James
Harley my negro girl Hannah and her future increase to him and his
heirs forever. Item. I give and bequeath my negro Woman Frank
either to my Daughter Elizabeth Hollamon or to Dorcas Turner which
ever she may prefer to live with to his said choice & her heirs forever.
Item. I give and bequeath to Children of my son Arthur Turner dec^d
the following Negroes to wit Abel & Cherry and their future increase
to be divided among them share and share alike to them & their heirs forever.
Item. It is my Will and direction, that my Executors sell my negro
Woman Wrenny and all her children except Charlotte (who has already
been disposed of) after my wife's death to such person as she may choose
as a purchaser, provided such person will give a liberal price for them
for the said Wrenny to have the privilege to choose within a fair price
can be obtained and when so sold the proceeds of said sale I give and
bequeath to be equally divided among all the Children of my said dec^d
son Arthur Turner and their mother Elizabeth Turner (formerly)
and my desire is that his said proportion shall be put into special
benefit to them and their heirs forever. Item. I give and bequeath
unto the Children of my deceased son Arthur Turner one hundred dollars
to be equally divided among them to them and their heirs forever.
Item. I leave unto my Daughter Sarah W. Woodson during the minority of
the Children, which she has by Benjamin Wilson the following Slaves
which she has in possession, to wit, Sam, Charlotte, Rana, Child whom
with their future increase. Item. I give and bequeath unto the Children
of my said Daughter Sarah W. Woodson by Benjamin Wilson as they
may respectively arrive at lawful age or marry, the said negroes Sam
Charlotte Rana & Child Sam and their present and future increase to
have and to hold to them and their heirs forever. Item. I leave my
negro girl after my wife's death to my aforesaid Daughter Sarah W.

Woodson and his children by Benjamin Wilson to be held, owned and enjoyed in the same manner with those mentioned and bequeathed in the immediate preceding clause to them and their heirs forever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my said daughter Sarah W. Woodson one hundred and fifty Dollars to her & her heirs forever.

Item I hereby leave in the hands and control of my Executors herein after to be named the following slaves namely negro woman Meriah and her child Mimmy Isaac, Anderson, Ben, Moses, Harry Fisher and Nancy and Anica the five first named are now in possession of my daughter Martha Long with their present and future increase for the special purpose of supporting and maintaining the said Martha P. Long and her children and should the necessity for that purpose, I hereby empower my said Executors to sell as many slaves as may answer for that special purpose and after the death of my said daughter Martha, I give and bequeath to all her children the aforesaid slave negro woman Meriah & her child Mimmy Isaac, Anderson, Moses, Ben, Anica, Harry, Fisher, and Nancy to be equally divided among them to as for each one to receive his or her part as they arrive to the age of twenty one or marry to them and their heirs forever.

Item I leave in the hands of my Executors for the benefit and support of my aforesaid daughter Martha P. Long and her children the tract of land that formerly belonged to Peter Stewart containing one hundred & sixty five acres more or less during his life and after the said Martha P. Long's death, I leave the said lands to be sold and the money arising from such sale to be equally divided among all her and the said Martha's children to them and their heirs forever.

Item I leave in the hands of my Executors two hundred and sixty five acres of land in Halifax County where my grand son Matthew C. Turner now lives together with the following slaves to wit Tom Mingo, Sam, Abner, Hyatt, Francis and future increase for the special purpose of paying my said grand son's debts and I do hereby authorize and empower my said Executors to sell the said land and slaves or so much thereof as will be sufficient to pay the said Matthew C. Turner's present debts or a credit of twelve months so as for all the creditors as well as others to become purchasers, if they think proper, and that the claims of all legal creditors to be received in payment for such purchase, and the surplus if any I hereby give and bequeath unto the said Matthew C. Turner and his heirs forever.

Item I hereby give and bequeath unto Thomas Clifton of Southampton County Virginia thirty Dollars in money and

my best hat to him and his heirs.

Item It is my will & desire that my Executors sell the following negroes My old Ben, Austin & Mattie and allow them to choose their master, and if the one first chosen will not give a liberal price let them continue to choose until a reasonable price can be obtained. Item I give and bequeath to Elder Robert Murrell in case he survives me my wearing apparel.

Item It is my will and desire that all the residue and remainder of my Estate after the payment of the above mentioned legacies with my just debts be equally divided among my children and grand son Matthew C. Turner except my double gig to them and their heirs forever.

Item I give and bequeath unto Elizabeth Spencer my double gig and harness to her and her heirs.

And lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint my two friends William H. Hardie and Hardy Cobb my whole and sole Executors to this my last will and testament hereby writing and declaring null and void all Wills and parts of Wills by me heretofore made.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 18th day of January A.D. 1826.

Witnesses Nathl. Stephenson, Joseph Crocker, The. Turner

Northampton County June Court 1826. This last will and testament of Thomas Turner dec'd was exhibited in open Court and proved in due form of law by the oaths of Nathaniel Stephenson and Joseph Crocker the subscribing Witnesses. Whereupon William H. Hardie and Hardy Cobb the Executors therein named qualified according to law, & ordered to be Certified and recorded in. Teste John W. Harrison cec

Isabella Laurence's Will. In the name of God Amen I Isabella Laurence of Northampton County and State of North Carolina being in a low state of health but of a sound mind and memory do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following to wit.

Item 1st I lend to my beloved wife Nancy Laurence the plantation where I now live with all the appurtenances thereto belonging during her natural life. at her death to be equally divided between my two children George McKinnon Laurence the other is not yet born. also two father's beds and furniture one clock with all the glass ware and Churny and plate one Walnut Table one gray Horse gig harness one Cow and calf with all the kitchen furniture during her life the balance of my Estate to be sold and with the money arising therefrom pay all my just debts the balance to be equally divided between my two children before named.

I do nominate and appoint my beloved Wife Nancy Laurence Executrix of this my last will and testament.