

Elbert Dudley esq James Thompson & Banater Meester Proved the hand writing of Daniel Ambrose who signed the written Will July Term 1812 Daniel Ambrose & Reuben Ambrose The Ex qualified ordered they have letters testamentary.

Attest Nath Loomiss C.C.

In the name of God Amen I Mitchell Barber of the State of North Carolina Onslow County Being of sound and perfect memory and mind (Blessed be God) do this 3 day of April in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred Forty Five do make and publish this my Last Will and Testament and manner following that is to say:

FIRST: I give and bequeath unto my wife Elizabeth Barber a certain tract of land lying on Coddons Creek known as the Simmons or Millis Land conveyed to me by Joseph W. Barber. Also I give unto my wife Elizabeth Barber balance of my land adjoinin the same tract that I have give her up to Montford corner near two Tar Kil Beds then a North East course to Hinton Barber land all South of that corner and line. Also a tract of land on the North side of Bear head swamp to Montford Land and Hinton Barbers divided by the Swamp from Hinton Barbers down. The above tracts of lands I have give unto my wife Elizabeth Barber to sell or dispose of in any way that she sees proper. The balance of my lands lying on the South side of Bear Head up to Montford Line and to the other land above mentioned containing my dwelling and now where I now live. I lend unto my wife Elizabeth Barber during her natural life and then to go to my son William M. Barber. I give unto my son Isaac T. Barber One shot gun One horse Cart. I give my son Joseph W. Barber One large ax chain and a steel trap I give my daughter Cassinda Wilson One clock and loom also the balance of my property I give unto my wife Elizabeth Barber I leave my wife and my son Isaac T. Barber Executors to this my Last Will and Testament in witness whereof the said Mitchell Barber have to this my Last Will and Testament set my hand Seal the day and year above written Signed and sealed in the presence of us

Witness:
A.J. Murrill
Test John Gillett

MITCHELL BARBER (SEAL)

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA:
ONSWLOW COUNTY:

COURT OF PLEAS AND QUARTER SESSION:
AUGUST TERM, 1845.

Then was the foregoing Paper writing Purporting to be last Will and Testament of Mitchell Barber and exhibited in open Court and the due execution thereof duly proved by the Oaths of Andrew J. Murrill and John Gillett the subscribing witness thereto and it is considered by said court that the foregoing paper writing is the Last Will and Testament of Mitchell Barber and whereupon is Ordered that letters Testamentary be granted to Isaac T. Barber the Executor therein named who appeared in open Court and was duly Qualified.

Ordered that this Will be recorded and filed as the Last Will and Testament of Mitchell Barber and

JASPER ETHRIDGE. C.S. C.

In the name of God Amen this the 4th day of March 1811 I Nathan Askew of Onslow County being weak and feeble in bodily health but of sound mind & memory thanks be to God for his mercies (bestowed on me his most unworthy servant) & calling to mind the short space of time allotted to Mortal man & knowing it is appointed by God for all flesh once to die do make & Ordain this my Last Will & Testament in the following manner first I recommend my soul into the hands of God that first gave it to me & my body to its parent Earth to be buried in a decent Christian like manner at the direction of my Executor hereinafter named & as touching such worldly estate as God has blessed me with in this life I dispose of in the following manner (Viz) FIRST: I give and bequeath unto James Askew Joint & Nathan Askew Joint my two grandsons which is the reputed children of my son Enoch Askew the land as Planatatin wherean Enoch Askew now lives & on which I do by these presents lend Enoch Askew during his natural life & at his death I then lend the land & premises to Sally Askew his wife in case she should survive him during his widowhood or natural life & at her marriage or death I then give the said land & premises with all it's appertinances to the said James & Nathan aforesaid to them their heirs & Assign forever

2: I give & bequeath unto Nancy Askew daughter of Enoch Askew a note of hand on James Glenn for the sum of Seventy-five dollars or thereabouts to be bestowed on the said Nancy at a suitable age for the purpose of giving a suitable education at the discretion of her Father Enoch Askew the residue of said note I also give the said Nancy to furnish her with such things in the apparel line as her Father thinks fit to purchase for her.

I also give unto my son Enoch Askew a note of hand now in my possession on James Thompson (Sheriff) on which there is now two credits bearing a date previous to the date hereof which said note was first given for one hundred pounds the same to said Enoch Askew his heirs & assigns forever

I give & bequeath to my daughter Sarah Ramsey four cows & calves or yearlings agreeable to a deed of gift made to her also my negro woman Rose & her four children together with all her & their future increase & my two year old filly &

a bridle to her & to the lawful heirs of her body & to their heirs & assigns forever which property I bequeath to the said Sarah Ramsey agreeable to the deed of gift which above referred to ---

I lend unto my beloved wife Rachel one feather bed, bedstead & furniture of which she is to have her choice one pine chest one iron pot six pewter plates, six pewter spoons one case of knives & forks & one washing tub one water pail & piggins, 2 pewter basons one skillet one pine table one loom & gear one woolen wheel & cards one linen wheel one cow & calf called pidy one red sow & six pigs one pair of fire tongs & shovel. Two hundred weight of bacon, five barrels of corn thirty weight of hogs lard, seventy weight of seed cotton, all the flour I have on hand which property together with a womans saddle & bridle one bread tray & sifter six earthen plates & my tea ware I lend unto my wife together with two pewter dishes during her natural life the such of the property together with four sitting chairs as is not used or disposed of by my wife Rachel for her support & maintenance I give to my stepdaughter Elizabeth Shaw to her heirs & assigns forever. I have also in possession a feather bed bedstead furniture & one chest that was formerly given to said Elizabeth by her uncle William Shaw there is also in the possession of Enoch Askew a black cow & yearling which I also give the said Elizabeth to her heirs & assigns forever. I give and bequeath to my wife Rachel all the sugar & coffee I have, one bushel of salt my soap & soap grease one pair of smoothing irons one oak barrel my flour stand & what flour I have, one earthen pitcher & one decanter, one small narrow ax one stone jug three case bottles all my earthen bowls one small juniper tub one new testament one tea kettle & the sum twelve pounds in money to be raised out of the property not mentioned in this my last Will & Testament paid to her my said wife Rachel as soon as my Executor hereafter mentioned can pay it to her which I give & bequeath this last mentioned property & money to my wife Rachel her heirs & assigns forever and also a small keg & about two gallons of molasses in it. I give & bequeath to my daughter Sarah Ramsey the sum of ten shillings in cash & the rest of my property not disposed of in this will together with such accts. & obligations as is due me. I wish the property sold at six months credit & the Amt. together with the amt. of notes & accts. I desire shall be equally divided between Frederick Askew & Enoch Askew the two heirs of my son Benjamin Askew to them their heirs & assigns forever I constitute & appoint James Glenn & Frederick Askew Executors to this my last Will in witness whereof I here set my hand & seal March 4th 1811.

Signed & Acknowledged by
said Nathan Askew as his last
Will in presence of

Nathan Askew (SEAL)

Test:
Jesse Sandlin
William Jarman

I hereby certify this to be a true copy from the original in the Clerks Office given this 16th day of April 1813

Nath Loomis C C
By Harris Loomis

In the Name of God Amen, I Benjamin Bryant of the County of Onslow and State of North Carolina, being very sick and weak in body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be given unto God, Calling unto mind the mortality of my body, and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my Last Will and testament, that is to say Principally and first I give and recommend my Soul into the hands of Almighty God that gave it and my body I recommend to the Earth, to be buried in decent Christian burial at the direction of my Executors, and touching my worldly Estate wherewith it has Pleased God to bless me in this life I give devise dispose of the same in the following manner and form.

FIRST: I give and bequeath unto my two sons Thomas Bryant and Asa Bryant the two tracts of land lying on the South West side of New River One tract I bought of James Thompson Esq, and the other tract of Silas Carter the place that I bought of Thompson to be divided by a line running from the River to the back line to be equally divided between them (and not to value the improvements made by Thomas) and that Thomas Bryant have that part next to Gravelly Run & Asa Bryant to have the other Part and the Tract of land that I bought of Carter to equally divided between the said Thomas & Asa Bryant by line to be drawn as near East and West as can be equal between them

Also I go my son Asa Bryant my Horse Brutus and One Hundred Dollars worth of other Property at a fair valuation

Also I give to my son in Law Thomas Jarman all the land that I have that belonged to my Father whe son Thomas Jarman now lives

Also I give to my three youngest Sons John, Martin and Benjamin Bryant each eight hundred Dollars worth of Property at the time of Benjamin coming to the age of twenty one years.

Also if my Wel beloved Wife Serine Bryant, should be living at the time of Benjamin Bryant, coming to the age of Twenty One years I lend unto her a child's part during of her life Also my wish and desire is that all my Property (except what I have Willed to Thomas Bryant Asa Bryant & Thomas Jarman) to remain Just as it is in the Care of my Executors untill my son Benjamin comes to the age of Twenty One years-----

Also if there is anything Remaining after John Martin & Benjamin Reeves their Legacy of eight hundred dollars each my Will is whatsoever should remain to be equally divided amongst my children-----

Also my desire and Will is that if any of my Property should be waisting that my Executors should sell it, also if any of the Negroes belonging to my Estate should be unruly that should be hired out-----

Also my Will is that if William and Joseph Whitty Remains with my Family and behaves them selves untill they come to be twenty one years of age that they should sent to School & learnt to read and write and to have each of them a good feather bed & Furniture; And I do hereby revoke all other former Wills by me made and do nominate and appoint my wife Serene Bryant and Asa Bryant and John Bryant(my Sons) My Executors to this my Last Will and Testament In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal this the 15th day of October in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Twenty Three-----

SIGNED SEALED AND DELIVERED IN THE PRESENCE OF

BENJ. A. BRYANT, (SEAL)

Test DANIEL AMBROSE,

Test. Wm HUMPHREY

In the name of God Amen I Daniel Ambrose of Onslow County being in health and of sound and perfect mind and memory Blessed be God but calling to mind the mortality of my body, and knowing it is appointed for all men once to die do this the 17th day of August 1811 make and publish this my Last Will & Testament, in manner following that id to say-----

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN,

I Butler Ashford of Wilmington, being weak in body but of sound mind and memory thanks be to God, for the same I do constitute make and ordain this my Last Will Testament in manner and form following (Viz) FIRST: I recommend my Soul to Almighty God who gave it to me and my body to be buried in a decent manner at the direction of my Executors and as to such Worldly Estate as it has pleased God to bless me with, I give and devise in the manner and form Following (to Wit) - FIRST: I give and bequeath to my beloved Wife Sarah Ashford the house and Lott I now live on, on the hill in the Town of Wilmington, on the North side of Orange Street Containing Sixty Three feet One Way & Thitty Three the Other, also one half a marke Lot containing One hundred feet in Length & Thirty Three deep- also I give to her three negroes (Viz) Easter Daniels & Buck also one half of the Furniture I Posses which I give to her her heirs and assigns forever-----

I give and bequeath unto my daughter Sussannah Ashford the remaining part of the Lott on the North Side of Orange Stree adjoining Shadricks Springs also I give her my Market Wharfe Lot on the North Corner of Market Wharfe also the vacant Lott above the Church, and for her not to take papers on untill she arrives to the age of Eighteen years or marries Also I give her two small negroes Harriett & Ben also the other half of my Furniture to her and her heirs and assigns forever-----

And I do hereby Nominate Ordain and appoint my beloved wife Sarah Ashford & my beloved friend Richard Bradley my whole Executrix and Executor to this my Last Will and Testament In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal this the 6th day of July 1806.

Signed Sealed & Delivered in the presence of us

NATH LOOMIS.

CHARLES EATON.

Interlined between the 25th & 26th line before signed.

BUTLER ASHFORD. (SEAL)

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Onslow County;

In Court Oct, Term 1806

The written Will was proved in open Court by Nat Loomis & Sarah Ashford the Executrix therein named, qualified agreeable to law Ordered to have letters Testam entory,

NATH LOOMIS, C.S.C.

State of NORTH CAROLINA:

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN,

ONSLow COUNTY:

Knowing that it is once for all Woman to die I commit my Soul to Almighty God that gave it to me And my body to the dust from whence it came to be buried at the descretion of my Executors which I Shall have after named and being in sound mind and memory Thanks be to Almighty for the same I do hereby Dispose of all my Worldly Goods which it has been Please God to bless me with In manner and form following that is to say first of all my Will & desire is that all my Just debts & Funeral charges be paid, Secondly Item I give & bequeath to my loving Son Avon Gray Loving daughter Tellitha Gray Loving Son Alphard all of my Property of Every kind to them & their heirs to be Equally Divided according to the Descretion of my Executors & further I do appoint my Loving Sister Enterlined before Signed Rosemond Averitt & my friend Stephens Williams my Executors to Execute this my Last Will & Testament Acknowledging this & this Alone Dismissing all Others as Witness my hand & Seal This 19th of February 1800

Signed, Sealed & Delivered in the Presence of us

DANIEL WILLIAMS.

BENEGA X BOWAN.

MARK

PARMELA AVERETT. (SEAL)

ONSLow COUNTY:

In Court April Term 1800
The Within Will of Parmela Averitt was duly proved in Open Court by the Oath of Daniel Williams & Stephen Williams One of the Executors therein named came into Court and qualified thereto.

NATH LOOMIS, C.S.C.

In the name of God Amen, this 19th day of March, 1801

I Richard Averitt of the County of Onslow & State of North Carolina Being very sick and weak but in perfect mind and memory Thanks be given unto God Calling unto mind the mortality of my body And knowing that it is appointed for all men Once to die do make & Ordain This my Last Will and Testament that is to say Principally & first of all I give and Recommend my soul in to the hands of Almighty God that gave it & my body I Recommend to the Earth to be buried in a decent Christian burial at the descretion of my Executors;

Item, I lend to my well beloved Wife Rosemond Averett the platition where I now live during her natural Life Containing One Hundred Acres and at her Death to return to the two Sons of John Averett, Armand and Alfred Averett.

Item, I also give and bequeath to my well beloved wife Rosemond Averett one Negro named Bob and one Negro Boy James One negro girl named Hannah to her and her heirs for Ever;

Item I Give unto John Averetts Daughter Tillitha Averett One negro girl Named Joan to her and her heirs fore Ever and if should die without and heir to return to Armand and Alfred Averett.

Item, I also give unto Arman and Alfred Averett all of my back lands to be Equally divided between them;

Item, I also give and bequeath to my well beloved Wife Rosemond Averett all the Test of my property and she paying all of my Just Debts And if in case Armon and Alfred Averett should die without heir that the fore Willed (Wore into Contread) to return to Tillitha Averett And if in case none of the heirs of John Averett Should live For all forever willed Property to return to my Mothers children- I do hereby constitute & Appoint & Ordain my beloved wife Rosemond Averett and Son, John Jones as my Executors to this my Last Will and Testament, Enterlined in the Sixteenth line Rosemond Averett Febr 3rd 1800

RICHARD AVERETT (SEAL)

SIGNED & DECLARED IN THE PRESENCE OF US

TEST HARDY GREGORY.

ARCTAS WILLIAMS JR.

ONSLow APRIL TERM 1800

This Will of Richard Averett was proved in Open Court by Oath of Arctas Williams and Raymond Averett one of the Executors therein named Qualified thereto

NATH LOOMIS C.S.C.