

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

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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-----

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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.

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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 Interlined 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.

BEVERA X BOWAN.

MARK

PARMELA AVERETT. (SEAL)

ONSLow COUNTY:

In Court April Term 1800  
The Within Will of Pamela 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.

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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;

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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.