

as aforesaid. I hereby nominate and appoint my well beloved friend Daniel M. Dulany & Benjamin Scott Executors to this my Last Will and Testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand seal this the 5th day of Sept, 1826 in the presence of us.

(NO NAME) (SEAL)

In the name of God Amen: I Joseph Simmons Onslow County in the Province of North Carolina Planter This 25th day of February Eighteen Hundred and Five being sick and weak body out of perfect mind and memory and calling to mind the mortality of my body do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament & as touching such worldly substance as it hath pleased God to Bless me with I give & dispose of in the following manner that is to say.

IMPREMUS: My will is that all my just debts that I owe to all men or manner of persons be well and truly paid out of my estate by my executors hereafter named in convenient time after my death.

ITEM: I lend to my loving wife two cows and calves one bed & bedstead & furniture also all the use of all my household furniture cattle sheep and hog the use to which she is to have for bringing & schooling my small children one-third of the property that is lent to my wife at the marriage of my daughter Nancy Simmons & Poley Haskins all that I can at present.

ITEM: I give and bequeath to my son James Simmons my old plantation at Willis Creek and all the lands joining thereunto & Fifty Dollars to be raised out of my estate.

ITEM: I give to my sons Berely A. Joseph & David Simmons One Hundred Dollars each to be raised out of my estate.

ITEM: I give to my son Benjamin Simmons the plantation whereon I now live with the lands joining thereunto also One feather bed & cow & calf at the of his mother.

ITEM: I give to my daughter Sancy one-third of the property that I lent to my wife Nancy Simmons also if any one of those children does it's part is to be divided all my children.

I do by these present ordain & appoint my trusty friend Josiah Henderson and Henry Argton Executors of this my Last Will and Testament of this my Last and I do establish of this & no other for my Last Will and Testament whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal the day and date before written.

SIGNED SEALED DELIVERED IN THE PRESENCE OF

JOSEPH MARSHALL.
OTWAY HAWKINS

JOSEPH SIMMONS. (SEAL)

ONslow COUNTY: In court April Term 1805, The within will was proved in open court by Ottoway Hawkins and Josiah Henderson, one of the executors therein named qualified thereto.

NATH LOOMIS. C.C.

In the name of God Amen: I John Shepard, of the State of North Carolina, and the County of Onslow being very low in body but in my perfect mind and senses do make this my Last Will and Testament, I recommend my Soul to God and my body to be decently buried and my worldly goods to be divided and left as follows.

ITEM: I give to my son Henry Shepard, one part of my land beginning at the mouth of the branch that divides the two fields, running up said branch to the main path thence up said path to the head line the part that lies on the South side of the said Branch he is to have privilege of my well to water that is on the other side of said Branch the house that I am about is to be in Claused and Chianer made out of my estate to him and his heirs forever.

ITEM: I give to my son John Shepard the reamner part of my land lying on the North side of the Branch that devise the two fields, one cow, one sow, and three shotes also I give one third of the reamner part of my estate except my negroes to him and his heirs forever.

ITEM: I give to my son Daniel Shepard and Gardner Shepard my three negroes by name, negro man Ned and negro woman Pheobe negro boy Samson to be equally divided when the oldest comes of age also I give all the reminer part of my estate to them and their heirs forever.

My further desire is that my friend Antony Sutton, be my executor to this my Last Will and Testament, In witness whereof I have set my hand and seal this second day of November in the year of our Lord 1811.

JOHN SHEPARD (SEAL)

In presence of us ;

TEST: LEMUEL HARDISON
TEST: JOHN POLLOCK

ONslow COUNTY: In Court, January Term, 1812, The within will was proved in open Court, by John Pollock & Anthony Sutton, the executor therein named qualified thereto ordered he have testamentary.

NATH LOOMIS C.C.
BY HARRISS LOOMIS

A Codicil, to the Last Will and Testament, of me John Smith, made this 28th day of January 1792.

ITEM: It as my will & desire that Polly Williams wife of Stephen Williams Jr (son to Stephen Williams Esq) be entitled to one eight part of my entire estate in Virginia, her & her heirs & assigns forever.

I do nominate constitute & and appoint my worthy friend, Stephen Williams Jr. whole and sole executors of my Last Will & Testament declaring this Codicil to be part of my Last Will and Testament revoking & disnulling all other will by me made In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal dated as above.

JOHN SMITH (SEAL)

SIGNED SEALED AND DELIVERED
IN PRESENCE OF US.

(WILL COULD NOT BE FOUND)

DURERY DUNN
HOSEA WILLIAMS
JNO HYSON.

THIS refers to my Last Will made in the year 1788.

ONslow COUNTY: In Court January Term, 1804, This instrument of writing was proved in open Court, by Dury Dunn & Hosea Williams two of the subscribing witness and Stephen William the executor therein named qualified thereto.

NATH LOOMIS C.C.

In the name of God Amen: I Caleb Smith, of Onslow County and State of North Carolina, being in a low State of health but of perfect mind and memory thanks to the Lord for the same but calling to mind that it is appointed one for all men to dye do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament in the usual form and following that id to say in the first it is my desire to commit my Soul into the hands of God that gave it and my body to be buried in a Christian like manner at the discretion of my executors.

ITEM: 1st, I give and bequeath unto my dearly beloved wife Mary Smith one feather bed, steed, and furniture, one mare called Nicholas, one chair and harness to her heirs and assigns forever.

ITEM: 2nd, I give devise and bequeath unto my two youngest sons Josiah Smith and Jobe Smith the lands whereon I now live not as tenants in common but to share and share alike equally & fairly, one tract was granted to myself the 24th Nov, 1790 the other purchased from Isaac Celaway to them their heirs and assigns forever.

ITEM: 3rd, I give and bequeath unto my son Caleb Smith, one hundred dollars him heirs and assigns forever.

ITEM: 4th, All the residue of my estate real and personal I desire my executors to sell (except a horse saddle and bridle being reserved to my son Job Smith) at public auction the net proceeds thereof after paying my just debts and the a above sum of a hundred dollars to my son Caleb Smith be equally and fairly divided among all of my children & loving wife them & their heirs assigns forever.

Lastly I nominate appoint my wife Mary Smith, my oldest son Daniel Smith & third son Caleb Smith Junr. Executors of this my Last Will revoking and disnulling all others by me made acknowledging this only. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the 5th day of February Anno Domini 1811.

SIGNED SEALED ACKNOWLEDGE
BY THE TESTATOR AS HIS DELIBERATE
ACT & DEED IN THE PRESENCE OF US.

CALEB SMITH. (SEAL)

R.O. DICKERSON
MOSES FIELDS.

his
LUKE H HUGGINS.
mark

CODICIL: for divers causes unto me moving I hereby solemnly revoke so much of the within testament as shall be hereafter specified.

IMPRIMUS: I give unto my three daughters, each of them, Soloma Smith, Rhoda Smith, & Esther Parsons one feather bed steeds & furniture latters Wm Parson meaning the one already delivered to them their heirs and assigns forever.

SECUNDS: I give and bequeath unto my youngest son Job Smith one feather bed and furniture & stead him his heirs and assigns forever.

SIGNED SEALED ACKNOWLEDGE THE DATE
WITHIN WRITTEN AND IN THE PRESENCE OF
THE AFORESAID WITNESSES. IN THE PRESENCE OF
THE SUBSCRIBERS.

R.O. DICKERSON.

MOSES FIELDS.

his
LUK X HUGGINS
mark.

Onslow County; In Court, April term, 1811. The within will of Caleb Smith, was proved in open court by the oath of Luke Huggins and Daniel Smith one of the Executors therein named qualified thereto ordered they have letters testamentary.

CALEB SMITH. (SEAL)

NATH LOOMIS, C.C.

BY HARRISS LOOMIS.

In the name of God Amen: This third day of December In the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred, I George Shackelford in the County of Onslow and State of North Carolina, being weak in body but being in perfect mind and memory thank God for it calling to mind the mortality of my mind knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die I make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament that is to say principally and fear of all I recommend my Soul into the hands of God that give it and my body I recommend to the Earth to be buried in a Christian like and decent manner at the discretion of my executor nothing doubting but the general resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God and as touching such worldly estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this life I lend to my beloved wife Mary Shackelford during her natural life three negroes by the name Jo, Jack and Petty also the house plantation where I now live, plantation tools as many as is necessary one mare and horse five cows & calves three sows & pigs one bed and furniture to have and to hold during her life after her life for the above mentioned property to be equally divided between the two boys, Jackey, Shackelford & Daniel Shackelford.

I give unto my beloved son Jackey Shackelford, two negroes Jo, and Bob, one horse bridle and saddle, three cows and calves two sows and pigs one bed and furniture one half of my lands with the house when given up by my wife.

I give unto my son Daniel Shackelford, three negroes Jack & Peter, Petty, & half of all my land with the plantation on stepping branch also a piece of land in dispute lying on Buck Branch and Meadow Branch three cows & calves one horse two sows and pigs one bed and furniture, Jack and Petty to have at my wife discretion.

I give unto my beloved daughter Nancy Shackelford three negroes Donas Nelse and Simon one horse bridle and saddle one bed & furniture.

I give unto my daughter Socky, Shackelford four negroes Anthony, Grace, March, and Agar, one mare or horse bridle and saddle one bed and furniture.

I give unto my son Jackey Shackelford one more negro by the name of Gin.

I give unto my friend James C. Bryan Fifty pounds one bed and furniture after all my just debts is paid.

I leave all my lands lying on Back Swamp to be sold and all the property that is unwilling to be sold to pay all just debts if anything remaining over paying my debts to be equally divided amongst all my children.

I leave my loving friend James C. Bryan and my son Jackey Shackelford Executors to all my state to act as I have willed.

GEORGE SHACKELFORD (SEAL)

SIGNED AND SEALED WITH MY OWN HAND
IN THE PRESENCE OF US.

JAMES PHILYAW

WILL LOUMBEY SHACKELFORD

JAMES BRYAN.

The within Will of George Shackelford was proved in open court by James Philyaw and James Bryan, and Jackey Shackelford the executors therein named qualified thereto. January Term 1802.

NATH LOOMIS, C.C.

In the name of God Amen: I George Shepard Senr. Planter of the County of Onslow & State of North Carolina being weak of body & in a low state of health but of perfect & sound mind and memory thanks be to God therefore calling to mind the

mortality of my body & knowing it is appointed for all men once to die do make & ordain this my Last Will and Testament in manner & form following & as to what worldly estate it hath pleased God to bestow on me in this life I give and dispose of the same in manner & form following.

IMPRIMIS: First of all my will & desire is that all my just debts & funeral expenses be fully paid and satisfied.

ITEM: I lend unto my beloved wife Mary Shepard two negro women named Violet & Milcy one horse named Tobe one riding chair harness two feather beds & furniture three cows & calves one boat & furniture thereunto belonging during her natural life or widowhood & a sufficiency of corn & pork for her part one year at the discretion of my executors.

ITEM: I leave one negro man named Ned to be hired out yearly during my wife Mary Shepard life time or widowhood & the hire of said negro Ned to be applied the use of my wife Mary Shepard at the discretion of my executors & at the decease of my wife Mary Shepard or enter marriage my will and desire is: that the said negro Ned Violet, and Milcy be sold & disposed in manner following likewise all the other property lent to my wife I leave to be sold at her decease or enter marriage at the discretion of my executor.

ITEM: I give unto my beloved wife Mary Shepard Forty Dollars in money to her and her heirs & assigns forever.

ITEM: I give unto my beloved wife Mary Shepard two chests to her heirs and assigns forever.

ITEM: I give unto my beloved son Aford Shepard five dollars in money to him and his heirs & assigns forever.

ITEM: I give unto my beloved son Hosey Shepard one set of Black Smith tools which he has now in possession to him & his heirs & assigns forever.

ITEM: My will & desire is that all my property of every description not mentioned in this will nor other wise disposed of be sold at my decease at the discretion of my executors.

ITEM: My will & desire is that all money that the property lent to my wife Mary Shepard shall sell for at her decease or enter marriage & a man of the within mentioned negroes Ned, Violet, and Milcy, amount of the above mentioned property not named in this Will which I leave to be sold at my decease to be equally divided between my beloved sons Hosey Shepard, & Thomas Shepard, Henry Shepard, Hardy Shepard, George Shepard & my beloved daughter Sarah James, Areth Farr, Anny Parker & Elisabeth Farr to them & their heirs forever.

And I do here nominate & appoint my good & trusty friend John S. Johnston to be my whole and Sole executor of this my Last Will & Testament & I do hereby revoke & disannul all other former Wills heretofore by me made or named ratifying & confirming this & noo other to be my Last Will and Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 29th day of August 1822.

TEST:

JOHN KING.

TEST: JOHN WHITLEDGE

GEORGE SHEPARD. (SEAL)

JOHN JOHNSTON QUALIFIED:

ONSLow COUNTY: In Court May Term 1823, This Will proved in open court by the oath of John Whitledge & John Johnston qualified thereto.

B. LESTER CLK.
BY R.C. LESTER ASST. C.

In the name of God Amen: I, Aaron Segle of Onslow County, and State of North Carolina, being sick, and low in body but of sound and perfect mind and memory thanks be unto Almighty God, for the same, and calling to mind the mortality of man and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following:

First and principally I recommend my Soul into the hands of the Almighty God who gave it me hoping through the merits of a dear Redeemer to inherit everlasting happiness and my body to be decently buried by the hands of my executor hereafter named.

SECONDLY: My will and desire is that all my just debts and funeral charges be punctually paid.

THIRDLY: I give and bequeath unto my friend Jeremiah Spicer two negroes namely one fellow by the name of James and one wench by the name of Sarah to him and his heirs forever.