

ONSLow COUNTY: January Term 1793 Presents Edward Ward Esq. Chairman and the rest of the Justice for said County, when the within mentioned Last Will and Testament of the Ruben Grant Esq. Dec. was duly proven before the Court by the Oath of Rigdon Pitts, one of the subscribing witnesses thereto. William Slade & John Spicer Esquire two of the Executors therein named appeared before the Court and was duly qualified by taking the usual oath of an Executor.

ATTEST: WILL CRAFT C.C.

In the Name of (God) Amen- Abraham Giddens of Onslow County being Very Sick and weak in body But of perfect mind and memory thanks be to (God) For it -doe make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in the following manner and form (Viz)

Item: I give to my well beloved daughters Sarah and Elizabeth Giddens five Shillings apiece to them their heirs and assigns for ever.

Item: I give to my well beloved daughter Syrene Giddens One two year old Heifer and five pint basen to her- her heirs and assigns for Ever.

Item: I give to my well beloved daughter Nancy Giddens One large pot one five pint basen and one dish to her- her heirs and assigns for Ever.

Item: I give to my well beloved daughter Susanann Giddens one bed and bed stead and one gallon basen and one dish to her- her heirs and assigns for Ever.

Item: I give to my well beloved wife Alif Giddens one Loom and gears two linning wheels- one Wooling wheel and one bed Stead to her-her heirs and assigns for Ever. I lend to my beloved wife all the residue of My Whole Estate Real and Personal induring her Widow hood or Natural Life.

Item: I give to my beloved Son Abraham Giddens my land Containing one Hundred and twenty five acres to him his heirs and assigns for Ever.

Item: At my beloved wifes Marriage or Death my Will and Desire is that my Son Thomas Giddens Should have Six pewter basens two plates fifteen Spoons one Kettle one Chest one Shot Gun and all my plantation tools of every kind likewise all my Stock of Every kind or discription.

I Appoint and Constitute my beloved wife and my friend Hardy Shephard my Exec. and Execut. to this my last will and testament. In witness here of I have hereunto Set my hand and affixed my Seal This 1st November 1807.

Signed -Sealed and  
Delivered in the presence  
of us..

his  
ABRAHAM X GIDDENS (SEAL)  
Mark

TEST: NATHAN MURRAY

his  
TEST: LEVY X LARY

Mark  
The hand wrighting proved by the  
oath of David Gorntoe.

Onslow County,

In Court July Term 1808. This will was proved in Open Court by David Gorntoe proving the hand writing of the deed Hardy Shephard the Ex. therein named Qualified thereto Ordered to have Letters Testamentary.

ATTEST: NAT LOOMIS, C.C.

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN, I Thomas Gibson of Onslow County in the Syate of North Carolina being of Sound mind & memory do make this my last will and Testament as follows In the first place I give up my Sole to God & my body to be Burried in a decent manner & for all my Just Debts to be paid out of my estate. Secondly I lend to my loving wife Ridda Gibson the use & Benefit of my plantation whereon I now live with all the Stock there on Consisting of horses Cattle hogs & CC. also all of my plantation tools & household furniture so long as She Shall remain my Widdow.

Item: I give to my Son Elijah Gibson one Cow & Calf & the money that I have paid him & is to pay for his part of my land which is the sum of one Hundred pounds which I think the full worth of his Share of my estate.

Item: I give & devise to my Son Tomy Gibson the plantation where on he now lives & one half of my pney land liing On the Lowest Side of Bare Branch & Lorrel Branch Cald the horse pen neck to him his Ears and assigns forever & one Yoke of Steer that he has in possession.

Item: I give and devise to my Son John Gibson apiece or parcel of land Joining of Joshuways Land laid off by a devision of marked trees also all the pney land I have above the Jumping Run Branch on the North West Side of Bear Branch to him his Ears and Assigns for ever & one Cow and Calf by the name of Chesra

to her & CC.

Item: I give & Devise to my Son Joshuway Gibson apiece or parcel of land Bording on a division of marked trees betwixt he & John Gibson on the North Side of Bare Branch to the Jumping Run Branch & one Yoke of Stears that he has in possession to him his Ears & assigns forever.

Item: I give & devise to my Son David Gibson a plantation liing betwixt Tomy & John Gibson Lands on the North Side of Bare Branch & also the other half of horse pen neck Joining of Tomy's half to him his Ears & assigns forever also one mare by the name of Bird but her increase for the good of the younger Children.

Item: I give & devise to my Sun Samuel Gibson apiece or parcel of land liing on the South Side of Bare Branch Joining of Tomy Gibsons Land & the plantation whereon I now live Laid off by marked trees & one Small Colt by the name of Nick also my Musket to him his Ears & assigns forever.

Item: I give & devise to my Sun Solomon Gibson the house & plantation whereon I now live the small room and one fireplace is Excepted for my three youngest daughters as long as they live single and them for him his heirs and assigns for ever. also I give him my small Shot gun.

Item: I give & devise to my Daughter Polly Baerber my riding Sulcy after my wifes Death also my will is that the Household Furniture and all of the cattle that havent Exposed of to be Equally betwixt my three youngest Daughters Rachel and Nurgessa & Davy Gibson also I want all of my tools to be Equally divided betwixt four of my Sons Joshuway David Samuel & Solomon Gibson. The Carpenters Coopers & Shemakers tools to be Divided Equally at my Death & the plantation tools at my wifes Death also to be Divided also I give my big Chest and all of my Doctors Books and means to my son Solomon Gibson also I leave plantation on Trent to be rented out and the money to be put to the use of Schooling and raising of my small Children. Lastly revoking all former wills I Constitute and Appoint my two Sons Tomy & Joshuway Gibson my Executors to Execute this my Last Will and Testament according to the True Intent and Meaning thereof in Witness whereof I have Set my hand and Seal this the seventeenth Day of March Eighteen Hundred & Three.

Signed Seald and Delivered  
in the present of :

THOMAS GIBSON (SEAL)

JOHN GIBSON

his  
DAVID X GIBSON  
Mark

DAVID BARY

Onslow County

In Court January Term 1803, This will of Thomas Gibson wa- proved in Open Court by John Gibson.

State of North Carolina in the Name of God Amen Onslow County I Bury Goodwin of the County & State aforesaid Being weak of body but perfect of mind and memory thanks be Almighty God for the Same do make this my Last Will and Testament in Manner and Form as follows:

Item: First after paying all of my Just Debts Item: I give the whole of the plantation whereon I now Live unto my beloved Wife Elizabeth Goodwin to do as may think proper.

Item: I give my two Negroes Sam and Lettes to my beloved Son Warrington Haywood Goodwin to him his aies and assigns forever. I give and bequeath unto my beloved Daughter Almaria Goodwin one Negro Boy by the name of Arthur to her to have and to hold to she and her heirs for Ever and if either of Said Children Should dy without air them the said Negroes shall go to the one living & if my beloved wife shall see cause to Keep my children & bring them up she shall have the use of said Negroes Untill my Son and Daughter become of Age other wise Said Negroes is to be Hired out for the Schooling and Bringing up of my Son and Daughter.

Item: I give to my Belvoed Wife one bed and Furniture to she and her heirs for ever. I leave all of my perashable property to be sold to pay my Debts & also a Tarill in Hanover County Betwixt William Mathews of said County and my self I also leave part of said kila to be sold I also leave my Negro boy by the name of Harry to be sold to pay my Debts also the money that my Negro man Jan whom I have willid away to make my turpinine in the present year shall go likewise to pay my Debts and if there should not be money sufficient to pay all of my Just Debts I leave said Negro Sam to be Sold to Discharge the same and Lastly I Nominate Ordain & Appoint my beloved wife Elizabeth Goodwin and my beloved Friend Benajah King sole Executors to this my Last will and Testament revoking all other wills by me made Declaring them to be voyd and of none affect In Witness whereof I Set my Hand and Seal.

Signed Sealed and Acknowledged in the Presence of  
Us,  
March 29 1804.

TEST: HENRY BUFORD

JEREME YOPP  
his  
HENRY X JONSON  
mark

DURY GOODWIN (SEAL)

Onslow County,

In Court April Term 1804.  
The within Will was proved in open Court by the Oath Jeremiah Yopp & the  
Executores therein named Qualified.

NATH LOMIS C.C.

September 7th 1800

I John Gipson of Onslow County being in Sound Memory But weak of Body and Cawling  
to mind the uncertainty of this World and am Willing to Settle my Affairs before I  
go hence and shall no more Return and First of all I give my Sole to God who  
gave it in Certain and Sure Resurrection at the Last Day and my Body to be  
Entered at the Desecration of my Executors hereafter mentioned and as to my Estate  
that God hath pleased to Bestow upon me I give and Bequeath as follows.  
And first of all my Will is that all of my Just Debts and Funeral Charges be paid  
and Discharged--

I lend all of my Estate to my Dear and Beloved Wife Maggolen Gibson her Natural  
Life or Widow hood for use of Schooling and raising the Children at the Desecra-  
tion of my Executors and if married then I Desire that my Executors Should Sell  
the Childrens part and to be Equally Devided Between my three Children John  
Gipson & Thomas Gipson & Henry Gipson to then their heirs and assigns for Ever  
Item: I give and Bequeath to my Son John Gipson my new pattend land lying on the  
West side of Whitehursts Creek .

Item: I lend my plantation to my Beloved wife which contains one Hundred Acres of  
land During her life and after her Death I give and Bequeath the said land to  
my loving Son Henry Gipson .

Item: I give Bequeath to my Son Thomas Gipson one Hundred Acres of land lying  
on Whitehursts Creek pattened By Judithen Gipson to him and his heirs for Ever.  
And lastly I Appoint William Gibson and Enoch Thompson to be my hole and Sole  
Executores to this my Last Will and Testament.

NELSON WHITEHURST

his  
JOHN X GIPSON (SEAL)  
mark

RICHARD WHITEHURST

SANDERS FRYER

Onslow County

In Court April Term 1802. The within Will of John Gipson was proved in  
Open Court by the Oath of Sanders Fryer & Wm. Gibson One of the Ex. Qualified  
thereto.

NATH LOMIS C.C.

In the of God Amen, I William Gibson Senior of Onslow County & State of North  
Carolina being in Perfect Health Thanks to God But Cawling to mind the Mortality  
of my Body & knowing that it is appointed for all men once to Die Do make and  
ordain this My Last Will and Testament in following manner and form Viz. In the  
first place it is my desire that all my Just Debts & other of my Necessary  
Expences be Satisfied and paid.

Item: I will unto my Beloved Son Daniel Gibson a certain tract or parcel of land  
lying on the South Side of White Oak River beginning at a Cypress at the mouth  
of the North Prong of said River then Running a Straight line to the Mouth  
of Bull Branch and then up the S. Branch to a water oak then running with a line  
of marked Trees the Dividing line between and by said son Daniel and my Son John  
to a line of my own about fifty yards above the Horse Head Branch to a lightwood  
stake in the said line which said line belongs to a survey of a patent bearing  
date the 20th of December 1791 & then running with that line to John Barber line  
& with John Barbers line to the said Daniel Gibson line all which said land I  
will and bequeath unto my said son Daniel Gibson to him and his heirs forever.

Item: I will unto my beloved Son John Gibson a certain tract or parcel of land  
lying on the South Side of said White Oak River beginning at the said River  
where the road Joins the Edge of the River at a water oak then running with the  
road to a post oak near the head of the lane then running with a line of marked  
trees to my son William Gibsons line all which said land I will and bequeath unto  
said beloved son John Gibson to him and his heirs forever but if he should die  
with heirs I will the same land to my beloved son Levi Gibson to him and his

& his heirs forever.

Item: I will unto my beloved son Levi Gibson a certain Tract or parcel of land  
beginning at the said Water Oak where my said Son John Gibsons land begins &  
then running with the river to the mouth of Gibsons branch then running with  
the said branch the various course of the said branch to the said William Gibsons  
line.

Item: I will unto said beloved son William Gibson a certain tract or parcel of  
land beginning at a balck gumb in the edge of the run of the said Gibson branch  
then running with a line of marked trees to the said line which the said Daniel  
Gibsons lightwood stake corner stands in to a dreen that leads to Manny fawns  
pond then to a red oak corner near the said pond then running with a line of  
marked trees that divides my said son Williams boxes and mine thence into the  
Laurel to a Laurel corner thence running with a line of a dead that I had of  
my brother Isaac to a pine near the edge of a prong of Gibsons branch then  
running with the said prong to the said Gibsons branch to a gumb thence with  
the run of the said Gibsons branch to the beginning. I also will unto my  
said son William Gibson a piece of land Estimated about fifteen acres lying  
on the South Side of the Said Gibson branch it being part of a tract of land  
containing 500 acres which I patented reference to the said patent it will  
fully appear where the said fifteen Acres lies all which said lands I will &  
bequeath to my said William Gibson to him & his heirs forever.

Item: It is my will also that the remainder of my tract of land not already  
willed to be equally divided among my three aforesaid sons to wit, Daniel  
John & Levi to them & their heirs forever.

Item: I will unto my beloved daughter Cassandra Tallman a certain tract or  
parcel of land lying on the South Side of Starkeys Creek lying & adjoining  
Elisha Eubanks lands above said Eubanks land reference to the patent it will  
more fully appear all which said tract of land I will & bequeath unto my said  
beloved daughter Cassandra Tallman to her & her heirs forever.

Item: I will unto my daughter in law Anna Gibson my son Isaacs Widow half a  
dollar in full with what I have already given her.

Item: I will unto my beloved wife Mary Anne Gibson two mares and their increase  
during her Natural life also two beds & Furniture also one Cow & Calf also  
my riding Saddle & bridle it is my will also that my said beloved wife have the  
use of my lands and plantation during her Natural life without the lett or  
molestation of any person or persons whatsoever. I also will unto my said  
beloved wife all my Stock of bees that I die possed of. I also leave two yoke  
of oxen for the use of the plantation. I also leave one yoke of oxen to be sold  
toward the payment of my debts. I also will unto my said beloved wife all my  
stock of hogs that I die possed of it is my will also that my Negro man Stephen  
be hired out & the money reserved for the use of my Wife & my two youngest sons  
to wit: John & Levi towards their Education.

Item: I also will unto my said youngest sons John & Levi one plow & one flock  
apiece. I also will that all my plantation tool & my handmill be for the use  
of the plantation I will also that my Carpenter & Joiners tools shall be Equally  
Divided among my aforesaid sons Daniel William & John & Levi I also will unto  
my son John all my turners Tools I also will that my grindstone be for the use  
of the plantation.

Item: I also will unto my said son John one Rifle & one London Gun I also will  
unto beloved son James Gibson one dollar in full with what I have already  
given him & I do Nominate Constitute & Appoint my aforesaid three beloved Sons  
to wit: Daniel Gibson John Gibson & Levi Gibson Executors to this my Last will  
& testament & revoking all other my former will or wills & bequests by me  
before made do retify & confirm this to be my Last Will & Testament in Witness  
Whereof I have hereunto Set my Hand & Affixed my Seal this 3rd. day of August  
1814.

Signed Sealed  
Acknowledged in  
presence of us.

his  
WILLIAM X GIBSON SENIOR (SEAL)  
mark

STEPHEN WILLIAMS  
THOMAS WESTBROOK  
DANIEL YATES

Onslow County,

In Court April Term 1815. This will of William Gibson was duly proved  
in Court by Thomas Westbrook and Daniel Gibson one of the Executors therein  
named Qualified.

ATTEST BANESTER LESTER C.S.C.

NORTH CAROLINA  
ON SLOW COUNTY