

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA:
ONSLow COUNTY:

I, Mary Real, being now health, once perfect and perfect mind in mery I give to my daughter Rigty one hundred and nity three acres of land and one negro winch named Sarah, and one feather bed and all of my household furniture and all my stock and my will and desire is that James Lain shud have the wouse of the said propity above menthend to my ears until she come of age by giving her schuling.
Feb. 12 1803.

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ONSLow COUNTY: In court April Term 1803, the will of Mary Real was proved in court by Nathaniel Ennett, and James Lane as has leave to administer on said estate agreeable to the well ordered he have letters.

NATH LOMIS C.C.

In the name of God Amen: I Harriot M. Rowe, of the County of Onslow, and State of North Carolina, being now in health but of sound and disposing mind and memory and calling to mind the uncertainty of life have thought proper to make this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following VIZ:

IMPRIMIS: I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary C. Snead the following negroes VIZ: Darby, Phebe, Silvy, Fanny, Killis, Tony, Virgil, Lewis, Alice, Alfred, Mirinda, Hester, & Sarah, I also give to my said daughter, three notes on James Barney of Newbern amounting in all to five hundred dollars, All my glass ware, one set of China ware and one dozen silver tea spoons. The above legacy is give to my said daughter on condition that she shall never either by herself her heirs or assigns make any demand on the estate of my husband Gains Rowe, or my own estate for any sum or sums of money as heir at law of her father Robert W. Snead, otherwise the above gift to be be nul and void, and if she should make any such demand I then give the said property to my son James G. Rowe. Should my said daughter die before she arrives to the age of eighteen or marries I give the said property to my son James, and in case of his death or in his monage or not having lawful issue I then give said property to my brother B.C. Gillespie and sister Catherine Anthony to be equally divided between them or their heirs.

ITEM: I authorize my executor hereafter named to pay to my mother Lydia Gillespie during her life the sum of sixty dollars per year out of the interest of the money arising from the sales of property hereafter give to my son James.

ITEM: negro man Jack and negro woman Lucy together with all the residue of my property of every description whatever but in the event of the death of my said son I then give said property to my daughter Mary that is in case of his dying in his monage or not having lawful issue and shuld my said daughter die before she arrives to the age of eighteen or marries I then give said property to my brother B.C. Gillespie and my sister Catherine Anthony to be equally divided between them or their heirs.

ITEM: I authorize my executor hereafter named to sell the nego woman Silvy to purchase with the money a negro boy for the use of my daughter Mary.

ITEM: I hereby nominate and appoint my brother B.C. Gillespie executor to this my Last Will and Testament and I also appoint my said brother Guardian to my daughter Mary C. Snead. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 10th day of April 1813.

HARRIET M. ROWE (SEAL)

SIGNED AND SEALED IN PRESENCE OF
BENJAMIN JOHNSON
ELIZABETH BASDEN.

In the name of God Amen: I Gains Rowe, of the County of Onslow and State of North Carolina being indisposed of body but of sound and disposing mind and memory and calling to mind the uncertainty of life have thought proper to make make constitute and ordain this my Last Will and Testament.

First and principally I recommend my Soul to Almighty God who gave it and my body to the dust from whence it came to buried in a plain decent Christian like manner touching the worldly things it has pleased God to bless me with I dispose of in the following manner VIZ:

FIRST: I give and bequeath to Mary C. Snead one negro boy named John, one black colt, named Boll, one bed and furniture and all the cattle that are in her mark.

2nd: I Give to my wife Harriet M. Rowe the following negroes VIZ: Darby, Jack, Lucy, Silvy, Killis; Virgil, Hester, and Miranda to her and her heirs forever. I also

give to my said wife all my personal property of every description whatever excepting the negroes hereafter bequeathed with this restriction that she shall pay all my lawful and just debts and purchase for my son James a negro girl of the age of twelve or fourteen years within two years after my deceased, and not to charge to the estate of my said son anything for his expenses and the maintenance of negro woman and children hereafter bequeathed to him for the term of one year after my death I also lend to my said wife all the land on the East and South side of Coughorn road except the piece of cleared land adjoining W. Mills during her natural life with the privilege of tending one half yearly in corn and as much of the other half as she may think proper to sow herself in small grain also grant to my said wife the privilege of clearing the piece of land between Coughorn road and the long field square with said field I also lend to my said wife one negro girl named Grace for the term of seven years from and after my deceased.

3rd: I give and bequeath to my son James G. Rowe the residue of lands including that lent to my wife after her death together with the following negroes VIZ: Tyron, Lou, Abel, Flora, Tener?, Grace, Maria, Julia, Warrick, and Sam? to him and his heirs forever with the exception of the negro girl Grace for the term of years she is lent to my wife.

4th: I case of my said son James dying before he arrives to the age of twenty one or having lawful heirs begotten of his body I then give and bequeath to Ann Shackford the piece of cleared land adjoining W. Mills and at my wife death all the lands lying on the East side and South side of Coughorn road together with one negro man named Abel to her and her heirs forever to Richard Shackford I give and bequeath the residue of the land I bought of Hannah Iredel, Treadwell, Jones and his heirs forever. To Mary C. Snead all the lands bought of the Mumfords, Jones etc. together with one negro man named Abel to her and her heirs forever. To Elizabeth Morgan one half of the negroes I got by my intermarriage with Catherine Gillespie together with one half of their increase. The other half of said negroes and their increase I give to the children of Jane Wright, Lucy and Mildred Gillespie Dickson that is to my son forth to the children of Jane Wright the other fourth to the children of Lucy and Mildred Dickson to be equally divide among them to Elizabeth Mitchell I give one set of tables and teapoons. To Catherine Jane Gillespie the negro girl that I have ordered to be purchased out of my personal estate for my son James together with his increase to her and her heirs forever.

5th: I hereby empower my Executrix hereafter named to convey by deed to the Executor or heirs of Josiah Cox a few acres of land adjoining Jenkins Branch providing the Executor of said Cox will convey to my heirs or Executrix the same quantity agreeably to a line established by said Cox and myself.

6th: It is my will and desire that the lands bequeathed to my son James should be rented so as but one half to be cultivated yearly with no privilege on the other half binding the renters to continue the fences where they stand and to keep them in good repair.

7th: I hereby nominate and appoint my wife Harriett M. Rowe whole and sole Executrix to this my last Will and Testament and I also appoint my said wife Guardian to my son James without requiring her to enter into any bond for her Guardianship, but with this injunction that she make due report to the County Court of her proceedings. It is my desire that my said son to be under the direction and government of my friend B.C. Gillespie and in event of my wife death I nominate the said B. C. Gillespie Guardian of my said son with the privilege and under the same injunction as directed respecting the Guardianship of my wife and in case of my wife death and in the death of my son, I then nominate and appoint B. C. Gillespie, Richard Shackelford, James Cleen, and Abner Harget, Executors to carry into effect this my last Will and Testament. Hereby revoking all other wills or will by me heretofore made. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 29th day of November in the year of our Lord 1812/

GAINS ROWE (SEAL)

The words between the twenty-third and twenty-fourth lines on the first page excepting the Negroes hereafter bequeathed and the words between the fifth sixth lines on the last page, and the death of my son all being interlined before signing.

SIGNED SEALED AND PRONOUNCED IN THE PRESENTS OF:

EDMUN WRIGHT

ELIZABETH BASDEN

LOTT BALLARD

OODICIL: It is my will that my Executrix should think proper in order to keep Abel and his wife together may be at Liberty to exchange him at any time for another fellow of equal value with the owner of his wife. And I wish it to be understood