

as his deleberate Net day and date above written. In our presence and hearing.

TEST: H. PITTS
GEORGE W. BIDDLE.

JOHN MATTOCKS. (SEAL)

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,
ONSLow COUNTY:

Court of pleas and quarter session/1842 this was the will of John Mattocks and offered for probate and admitted on the oaths of Hardy Pitts and George W. Biddle the subscribing witness thereto and William P. Ferr and one of the executors therein named, appeared in open court and was duly qualified as Executor thereto and Francis Mattocks the other Executors mentioned in said Will also appeared and refused to qualify When the widow of said deceased appeared in court and filed her dispute to said Will which was accepted by said court and it was also ordered that letters testamentary be granted to William Ferrand Executor to said Will.

JASPER ETHERIDGE CLK

In the name of God Amen: I Nancy Mills of the County of Onslow and State of North Carolina, Being of sound and perfect mind and memory, blessed be God do this 7th day of October 1826, make and publish and publish this my Last Will and Testament in manner following. (VIZ)

FIRST: I lend unto my daughter Nancy one half of the land where I now live, including and taking in as apart the piece or parcel that was laid off for me during her life and at her death to be divided between, between my two sons Johnny Hadnot & George Ward the other half of the land I lend unto my son George Ward to live on during his life and at his death his part to belong to my son Johnny Hadnot I desire for my daughter Nancy to live at John King until she comes of age or marries and after three years to be sent to school one year and all expenses to be paid but the rest of her land I also lend unto my daughter Nancy one negro girl Charlotte during her life and at her death to sold and divided between all my children, I also leave a negro woman Amy to be hired out till my daughter Nancy comes of age, to her use and then to be sold her and all her increase, and equally divided between my two sons. I give unto my daughter one trunk,.

I give and bequeath unto my son George Ward three negroes namely Marsh, Rachel & Snobch,.

I, lend unto my daughter Sarah one cow and calf during her life and at her death them and increase to be sold & divided between my children.

ITEM: I leave two beds and furniture & all my cattle to be sold and all of the profits to be equally divided between all my children also I leave one dish one half dozen plates and one half dozen cups and saucers to be sold and divided between all of my children.

And I hereby make and ordain my worthy friend John King Executor of this my Last Will and Testament In witness whereof I the said Nancy Mills have written this my Last Will and Testament set my hand and seal the day and date above written.

SIGNED Sealed, published, and attested by the said Nancy Mills the testator as her Last Will and Testament in presence of us. John Hadnot, George Ward, who was present at the signing and sealing thereof.

NANCY MILLS (SEAL)

ONSLow COUNTY:

In court November Term 1826., the Executors of the within will was proven by the oath of John G. Hadnot one of the subscribing witness and John King qualified Executor thereto.

BANISTER LESTER CLK.

In the name of God Amen: I Margaret Mason, being in good health and memory, thanks be to God for the same, calling to remembrance the uncertainty of this transitory life and that all flesh must yield to death when it shall please God do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament revoking all other will or Wills heretofore made by me, and this only is to be my Last Will and Testament.

FIRST of all I recommend my soul to Almighty God who first gave it me hoping at the general day of the resurrection to find remission for all my sins and follies past and my body to be buried in a neat Christian manner as shall please my executor whom I shall after mention.

And as to worldly goods it hath been pleased God to bestow on me I give and bequeath as follows.

ITEM: I give to my daughter Polly one Woolen wheel, one stone jug, three puter plates one chest, one setting chair, one puter basin, to her and her heirs forever.

ITEM: As for my daughter Mildred, I hope her heirs will be satisfied, with what I have already given her.

ITEM: As for my daughter Margaret I hope the same.

ITEM: I give to my daughter Nancy Three dollars currant money.

ITEM: I give to my daughter Isabelah one sow and pigs Two Cheers, One woolen wheel three puter plates and basins, one jug one griddle to her and her heirs forever.

ITEM: I give to my daughter Charlotte one mare, and one Earlin one sow and pigs one linning wheel one puter basin two Do plates one coffee mill 1 stone jug two chairs five barrels of corn one iron pot one chest to her and her heirs forever.

ITEM: I give to my son, Theophilous Mason the land and plantation whereon I now live with all my plantation and carpenter tools and no more to him and his heirs forever.

The rest of my land and all my unmentioned property I leave to my six girl children namely, Polly, Millie, Margaret, Nancy, Isabelah, and Charlotte Mason. to be equally divided by lot Should any other heirs bring in any accompt in their name against my estate tis my desire that; that heir should be cut of as no heir to my estate and in my desire they should be cut the benefits left them in this my Last Will of my estate.

Lantely I nominate and appoint and anominate my worthy friend and nephew Whitehurst Mason Executor to this my Last Will and Testament.

In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal, this the 20th of November 1823.

TEST: THOS ENNETT
SIGLEE REDD

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MARGARET MASON (SEAL)
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In the name of God Amen: I John Mason, of the County of Onslow and State of North Carolina, being sick of body, but perfect mind and memory, and knowing that all men has once to die, I do recommend my soul to God, who gave it, and my body to the earth to be buried in Christian like manner, at the discretion of Executors hereafter nominated and as for what worldly goods it has been pleased God to give me I dispose of it in the following manner that is to say First of all my will and desire is that as much of my ~~worldly~~ property such as my beloved wife Margaret Mason pints out to be sold as will pay all my just debts.

ITEM: I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Margaret Mason all estate both real and personal to her her heirs and assigns forever to her only proper use to sell or to convey in any manner as she may see cause it being given my said wife Margaret Mason to enable her to raise my children and last of all I nominate Benjamin Ennett and my wife Margaret Mason to be my Executor and my Executorix to this my Last Will and Testament utterly revoking all other Will or Wills whatever acknowledging this to be my Last Will and Testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 5th day of March 1804

JOHN MASON (SEAL)

SIGNED AND SEALED IN THE PRESENCE OF
US.

TEST: JOHN FULLWOOD
NANCY BARLOW
POLLY MASON

ONSLow COUNTY:

In court January Term, 1815 This Will of John Mason was duly proved in open Court by the oath of Nancy Barlow one of the witness thereto subscribed and Margaret Mason the executorix therein named qualified thereto

BANISTER LESTER CLK.

In the name of God Amen: I Edward Melton of the State of North Carolina and county of onslow being weak of body, but of sound mind and memory, do think it proper to dispose of such worldly property with which God has blessed me in manner and form following (to wit)

FIRST: I desire that my body be decently interred at the discretion of my Executors thereafter named,.

ITEM: I desire that all my just debts be paid.

ITEM: My will that my wife, Fanny Melton, should have and possess all my land and tenement on Wallams Creek during her widow hood and until my son Edward Melton shall come to the age of twenty one years and if she should live in a widowed state that she should hold during her life one third part of my said land and the remaining two thirds to belong equally to my two sons Edward Durant Melton and Owen Stanford Melton and that at the death or marriage of my said wife my will and desire is that my said two sons have and possess equally all my lands which I give and bequeath to them and their heirs forever and in case either of them should die before they arrive to twenty one years of age I give the whole of my lands to the survivor to him and his heirs forever.