

at the time of signing and sealing thereof.

Witness E. J. Gardner
Samuel Gardner
Elisha Webb

Minerak Payton Seal

State of North Carolina Court of probate & last wills
Curlew County } August term 1829

There was the execution of the foregoing will of Minerak
Payton duly proved in your Court by the oath of Samuel Gardner
one of the subscribing witnesses thereto Elisha Webb & Henry
Payton the Executor therein named duly sworn & declared.
That according to law

John C. Ambrose Clerk

Elisha Gardner & Henry Payton
Qualify as Executors

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State of North Carolina Curlew County. In the matter
of last aforesaid be it known that I Philip Amos of the
County & State aforesaid being weak in body, but in
proper sense & memory do make & constitute this my last
will & testament first I desire that all burial expenses be
paid, & next I bid to my wife & am Amos the plantation
where I now live with all the improvements appertaining
thereunto supposed to contain fifty acres of land during her
natural life then to be left to my son William Amos
also I give to my son the sum that Amos owes me one
thousand & half in his plantation or another what I shall see fit
my son & daughter Mary to my son Philip Amos fifty acres
of land adjoining the land he now owns - I give to my
son David Amos two acres Thomas & William Amos fifty acres of
land where David Amos now lives - I give to my son William
Amos fifty acres of land where he now lives - I give to my
son William Amos fifty acres of land adjoining the plantation
where he is to have after the death of my wife -
I hereby give to my two daughters Mary & Sarah either
during her life after my death but to remain under the
care of my son William Amos for their life by protection
also I desire that the remaining part of my property be equally
divided my daughter namely my daughter Elizabeth Webb
my daughter John Webb my daughter John Webb my
daughter Mary Webb. I give to my son in law John
Kendall one hundred & thirty - I give to my son in law Joseph
& David & Henry Amos an equal share of the above property

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I give to my cousin law Thomas King & John Carter on
Trusting & holding to each of them in right of their wife
as I consider they have had their part herebefore

Partly for the Executing my will & constitute make
I appoint my son William, Susan & David, Executors to be
my executors to the my last will & testament & I do hereby
declare this to be my last will in the presence of
three be independent in witness whereunto I have my
hand & seal the 20th day of September in the year of
our Lord & Saviour 1828

James Langley
Susan Langley
Anthony & Wholes

William Susan Qualifier
It is given to my wife one year previous the date before signed
State of North Carolina, Court of the Superior
In and for the County of August term 1829

There was the execution of the foregoing will of Philip
Amos duly proved in open Court by the oath of
James Langley & Anthony & Wholes two of the subscribing
witnesses then & William Susan the Executor then in Court
Qualified as executor agreeable to law

John Ambrose Clerk

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I Christopher Dudley of Swain County State of North Carolina have
made & devised & published & do hereby make & devise & publish this
Instrument of writing my last will & testament trusting
that some time in the year of 1827 I gave to my son Edwina
Dudley the plantation on which said & other lands, and
said of my negroes to be shared by family on half of my
stock & the property a will more fully expressed by reference
to deed of gift made at the time which gifts I do hereby
renew & confirm agreeable to the true intent & meaning —
I give & bequeath to my grand Children of to them hereafter
under the portion of my Estate except a pecuniary ~~share~~
portion of. Consisting of Lands, negroes, Stocks, Chattels & effects
of every kind, than share alike the lands & some of the badly
disposed negroes, stocks, Chattels & other effects. I have decedentary
with my Executors to sell or divide in part or whole. The
income of any sale to be invested in stocks of the United States
or state Banks or some other valuable & productive funds for the
use & benefit of my grand Children after said & for which purpose
I do hereby authorize & empower my Executors to sell & dispose of
in part or the whole of the lands, badly disposed negroes, stocks
Chattels & other effects at public or private sale at such time
or such term as may think most beneficial for said Legatee
I have my negroes may be divided & distributed in families as far as
practicable. The hire of the negroes if the negroes & dividend of
stocks if any may be appropriated to the maintenance
& education of my grand Children after said & share invested
yearly in stocks or funds after said for their benefit