

State of North Carolina
Onslow County

Subscribing Witnesses and Charney Sparkman came into Court and Qualified as Administrator with this will Annexed agreeable to law.

Dani. Ambrose, Clerk

I Hezekiah Jones of Onslow County and State of North Carolina seriously considering the uncertainty of human life at best more particularly of my own in my present advanced stage, do while in a firm state of mind and sound memory make this my last will and testament, Intending hereby to dispose of my worldly affairs, not as humor may prompt but as Justice and equity shall seem to direct.

First of All: I most humbly recommend my soul to the extensive mercy of that All Wise Supreme Intelligent Being who gave it to me! most earnestly at the same time deprecating his Justice.--

Item: 1st. My will and desire is that all my Just debts be paid and satisfied by my Executors.

Item 2nd: I give and bequeath unto my oldest son Carteret Jones, One Dollar.

Item 3rd: I give devise and bequeath unto my second son Christopher Jones, One Dollar.

Item 4th: I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Martha Barber, one Dollar, to them & their heirs forever.

Item: 5th: I authorize my Executors to sell to the best advantage and to convey the tract of land whereon Isaac Barber now lives, containing by estimation eighty five acres, and the proceeds thereof after deducting necessary charges to be equally divided among my three children already named, Carteret, Christopher and Martha Barber, heirs & assigns forever.

Item 6th: My will and desire is that my Executors be supreme arbiters in all controversies that may arise and happen among my heirs and legatees and that their decision shall be final or conclusive without recourse to any other person or persons, or any Court of Judicative whatever.

Item 7th: I lend unto my Wife Mary Jones and my youngest Son Hezekiah Jones during their natural lives, jointly & severally to share and share alike the land whereon I now live which I purchased of James Smith containing by estimation 135 acres---- Also all my stock of any kind, such as Horses, Cattle, Hogs, furniture, farming utensils of every kind and description under the care and superintendence of my Executors as Trustees for their use and benefit only during their natural lives--- and after the decease of both, said property to descend and be equally divided among the heirs of said Hezekiah lawfully begotten in wedlock forever--- But in failure of such heirs (after the decease of both, The same to be sold by my Executors and after deducting necessary charges the proceeds thereof to be equally divided among my other children then, their heirs, and assigns forever-----

Last of all I hereby nominate and appoint my friend William Hellen and Robert Dickson Executors of this my last will and testament giving and granting unto them full and discretionary powers, also revoking all others by me made acknowledging this only.

In witness whereof I have set my hand and seal. The 22nd September 1807
Signed & Sealed in the presence of:

SOLOMAN MELVILL

HEZEKIAH JONES (SEAL)

JOHN LOYD

GURBY X CONOWAY
mark

Onslow County:

In Court May term 1827 This will was proved by Solomon Melvin.

DANIAL AMBROSE, CLK.

In the Name of God Amen. I Lawrence Jarman of the County of Onslow and State of North Carolina Being sick and weak in body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be given unto God and calling unto mind the mortality of my body and knowing it is appointed unto all men once to die do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament that is to say.

Item: I give to my Daughter Polay McDaniel ten shillings.

Item: I give my Daughter Mariann Mills five Shillings.

Item: I leave unto my Beloved wife all my Household and Kitchen furniture During her Natural Life.

Item: I leave my Land to be sold and my Debts pay out of the money arising from said sale and the remainder to go to use of my Family at my Wife Discession also I give my wife one Sorrell Mare one Chert and all my Plantation Tools one sow and Pigs and at Her Death if there is any thing left to be Equally Divided between Susan Jarman, Nancy Jarman, Martha & Lewis Jarman and lastly I nominate and appoint my beloved wife Martha Jarman to be my whole & Soul Executrix of my last will and Testament I do hereby Disallow Disannull and revoke all and every other and former testament wills and bequests and Executors by me before named willd or bequeathed Ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my last will and testament. I Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal this the Eight Day of January in the Year of Our Lord Christ One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seven,

Signed Sealed Publisher and Delivered
by the said Lawrence Jarman as his last
will & Testament in the presence of us,
who in his Presents and in the presents
of each have hereunto subscribed their
names.

LAWRENCE JARMAN (SEAL)

TEST: ILLUS FARR

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ELON X FARR
mark

Onslow County

In Court April Term 1807. This will of Lawrence Jarman was proved by Elson Farr & Martha Jarman the Executrix Qualified thereto.

NATH LOOMISS C.O.

State of N. Carolina Onslow County Swansborough 17th of July 1810. In the Name of God Amen I Redding H. Jones of State and County Aforesaid Being weak in body but of sound mind & memory Blessed be God for the same do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following Viz.

Item: I give and bequeath to my brother Dempsey Jones Twenty Shillings to him his heirs and assigns forever.

Item: I give and bequeath to my sister Sarah Jones five pounds to her, her heirs and assigns forever.

Item: I give and bequeath to my Sister Alice Bender five pounds to her, her heirs and assigns forever.

Item: I give and bequeath to my nephew Redding Jones son of Dempsey Jones one Negro boy named Barton one Negro Alpherd to him, his heirs and assigns forever

Item: I give and bequeath to Nancy Bell one Negro Girl by Name of Kitty to her, heirs and assigns forever.

Item: I give and Bequeath to Mary French wife of Doct. Wm. French during her life time and after her death to be equally divided between her two Sons Joseph & Wm. French one Negro Woman, Hester Negro Girl Gin, and Negro Boys, Ben and Israel to them their heirs and assign forever.

Item: I give my watch to Nick H. Mitchell to him his heirs and assigns forever

Item: I give my Fowling piece to Bazel R. Smith to him his heirs forever.

Item: Negro Fellow Joe, Castalia and Negro woman Amy to be sold at six months credit my Home lot & all the furniture at six & twelve monthly all the rest & residue of my property to be sold in like manner and the proceeds thereof to be applied to the payment of my Debts, If what I have bequeathed is more than sufficient to discharge my debts the Residue to go to my Sister Alice Bender her heirs and assigns forever and if what I have allotted to discharge my Debts is insufficient Each and every one of the heirs except Nancy Bell to pay their proportionable part out of what I have given them.

Item: I give and bequeath to my Friend Bazel R. Smith one Elegant Suit of Clothes

Item: Last of all I nominate Constitute and appoint My Friends Wm. French and Bazel R. Smith as my Whole and Soul Executors, to arrange my business and settle my debts in the manner I have herein described.

My will is also that my Executors shall have me Decently Buried out at the Family Buring Ground. This Seventeenth July on- Thousand Eight Hundred sixteen . Signed Sealed and Delivered in presence of us.

R. H. JONES (SEAL)

DANIEL WEEKS

JNCS WILSON

In the Name of God Amen Isaac Jarrot Senir in the County of Onslow & State of North Carolina being Sick and weak in Body but of Sound mind Calling unto mind the Mortality of mankind & Knowing that God has appointed for all men once to Die but liking this to be my last will & testament in the manner following first my Body to the Dust to be Buried in Christian manner at the Discretion of my Executors, As touching my Worldly affairs my will is to Dispose of it in the following manner.

Item: I give & bequeath to my Daughter Ruthy Ellis the following Negroes. Viz. Mingo Rose Chaney & Cresse Dave & Hardy According to the Devotion Equally that has been here before to her & her heirs forever.

Item: I give and bequeath to my Daughter Esther Howard the following Negroes- Viz Jack, Ben Betty and Hanner according too Division Equally be already made to her & her heirs for Ever.

Item: I give and bequeath to my son Isaac Jarrot Junir, the following Negroes, Viz Dick Sarah Ede & Aney & Toney & all the the money Got for Negro Sam on interest & I will and devise my land & plantation on Hicks Run I give to my Son his heirs and assigns for ever.

Item: All the residue of my Estate Not before mentioned in this my last will to be Equly Divided between my three Children at my Death their & their alike Equal.

Item: Lastly I do Constitute and Nominate & appoint my Son Isaac Jarrot & my Friend James Foy Senir. My True & lawfull Executors to this my last will and Testament ratifying this and other to be my last will and testament Whereunto for the faithfull performence I have here unto Set my hand and Seal this 17th Day of April 1803 and in the presence of us.

TEST: ELEN X JENKINS
her mark

ISAAC JARROT (SEAL)

ELE ELLIS

TEST: JAS. FOY SENIR.

Onslow County

In Court Oct term 1804. This will was proved by Jas. Foy & Ele Foy & Jas Foy Qualified as Executors thereto.

NATH LOOMIS C.C.

On the Twentieth 2th of November 1814. Frederick B. Jennings First Sergeant of the 43th Regiment of the U. S. Infantry Commanding- by John S. Snowload at Swabsborough Onslow County N. Carolina, At this day and date Departed this Life- & was taken about the First of October 1814 Same Year, which He the Said Frederick B. Jennings was taken with a violent attack of Sickness, and continued to grow worse and worse from the date he was taken until the day He departed this Life as above mentioned and many days before the said Deceased Departed this Life Whilst in his perfect senses and understanding called upon witnesses to bear test to his last Will & Testament and Requested the said Deponents to set by his side and pay attention to his last request. That is I Frederick B. Jennings give and Bequeath all and all my Property Balancing or coming to me, as From the U. States for my Services as First Sergeant Commander by the above Officers- To My Friend Simion Swain who is now my Nurse, and pays every attention to me, that I could ask and for that reason will all my Property to him His Heirs and Assigns forever. Whereas Cassey Cowell & John Foley Deponents and sayeth that they both heard Fred. B. Jennings afew days before his Death give all his Property to Simion Swain and that he the said Fred. B. Jennings was in his senses & understanding and these deponents further sayeth that to the Best of Their Knowledge and understanding their Depotions stands Correct.

Sworn to before me- This November 22, 1814.

TEST: BRICE BENDER

JOHN FOLEY
CASSEY COWELL

Onslow County

In Court April Term 1815 . The Noncupative Will of Frederick B. Jennings was proved in Open Court by the Oath of Cassey Cowell and Simion Swain was grant letters to said Will.

B. LESTER CC.

In the Name of God Amen. I Thomas Johnston in the County of Onslow in the State of North Carolina Planter, Being in reasonable good health and of perfect and sound mind and memory Calling to mind the mortality of my body 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 that is to say principally and first of all I recommend my Soul into the hands of God who gave it and my body to the Earth to be buried in Decent Christian burial and as to what Worldly Estate it hath pleased God to bestow on me in this Life I give and Dispose of the same in the following Manner.

Imprimis: My Will and Desire is that all my Just Debts and Funeral Expences be first paid and satisfied.

Item: I give and bequeath unto my Well beloved wife Rebeckah Johnson my Sorrell mare called Slouch with her future increase if any from the date hereof Likewise my best feather bed and furniture bedstead mat and cord one large pewter dish six pewter plates six pewter spoons one wooling Wheel one pair of cotton cards, one pair of wool cards, one linnen wheel with her spindle and spoons one loom and all the gear that belong to her one Bible one Testament one Common Prayer Book and one Hymn Book and one Side Saddle and a bridle to her, her heirs and assigns forever.

Item: I lend unto my beloved wife Rebeckah Johnson the use of one third part of all the land I own with the use of one third part of the Plantation whereon I now live with the use of all the Houses on said plantation Likewise the work and labour of my Negro man Sambo and my Negro woman Beck three cows and calves two sows and pigs two ewes and lambs two narrow axes one grubbing hoes two weeding hoes one barr plow and two fluke plows one pair of Wedges Two Iron pots one Iron pot Trammel one Skillet one pair of Fire Dogs one pewter dish Two pewter basons all the Earthen ware and glass ware and tin ware I have one Looking Glass one Copper tea Kettle one copper coffee pot one metal spice mortar and pestle one washing tub two pails one pigpen one Chist one table six chairs one safe one Bofat one Candle Stick and Candle Snuffers one pepper box one pair of fire Tongs one half Bushel one Ride one half Bushel one old Desk one old Case one hammer During her Natural Life or Widowhood She Committing no Waste of the above mentioned Lent Articals.

Item: My will and Desire further is that as Soon as Reasonably may be after the Death or Enter marriage of my Beloved Wife Rebeckah Johnson all the above mentioned Lent Articals be sold at Publick Venue at Six months Credit the Houses and Land Excepted and the money arising from Such Sale be Equally Divided between my beloved Children Anne Turner Esther Orrell Benjamin Johnson Rebeckah Silvester Mary Ann Johnson and Jonas Johnston and my two Grand Children Mary Johnston and Thomas Johnston Daughter and Son of Valentine Johnston Deceas, or the Survivor or Survivors of them to them and their heirs forever.

Item: I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Esther Orrell five shillings current money to her and her heirs and assigns for Ever.

Item: I give and bequeath unto my Son Benjamin Johnston five shillings current money to him and his heirs and assigns for Ever.

Item: I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Rebeckah Silvester five shillings Current money to her and her heirs and assigns for Ever.

Item: I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Mary Ann Johnston my Negro Woman called Bagar and her son called George and her future increase if any from the date hereof Likewise one feather bed and furniture bedstead mat and cord to her and her heirs and assigns for Ever.

Item: I give and bequeath unto my son Jonas Johnston three hundred and eighty five acres of land Including the plantation whereon I now live to him and his heirs lawfully begotten by his body in wedlock but if the said Jonas Johnston should die without a lawfull heir begotten by his body in wedlock then and in that case I give to my son Benjamin Johnston the said three hundred and eighty five acres of land Including the plantation whereon I now Live and adjoining to him and his heirs and assigns for Ever. Reserving the use of one third of said land and plantation with the use of all the houses on said plantation to my beloved wife Rebeckah Johnston During her Natural life or widow hood. I like wise give unto my son Jonas Johnston one feather and furniture bedstead mat and cord one saddle and bridle to him and his heirs and assigns for Ever.

Item: I give and bequeath unto Elizabeth Lester widow of Valentine Johnston Deceas five shillings current money to her and her heirs and assigns for Ever.

Item: I give and bequeath unto soninlaw William Randal five shillings current money to him and his heirs and assigns for Ever.