

In the name of God Amen; I John Waters, of the County of Onslow & State of North Carolina, planter being sick and weak in body but of perfect mind and memory knowing that it is appointed once for all men to die hoping that at the general resurrection in and through the merits of a dear redeemer I shall receive pardon the property that I am possessed with at present I leave in the following manner after my burying charges are discharged and all my just debts paid at the discretion of my executors hereafter named in the following manner & form.

1st: I give to my beloved wife Elizabeth Waters one bed and furniture one cow and calf & one steer two years old one pewter basin one set of cups & saucers one drinking glass one coffee pot, one decanter, one pepper box, one dozen plates, tollivate my wife to live on my land during her widowhood.

2nd: I give to my daughter my daughter Peggey one cow and calf also one cow and calf more, also one yoke of oxen after July the oxen to be sold & put out to interest for her use also one weather bed and furniture one pot one skillet one set of cups, & saucers one tinn flowered coffee pott three punch bowls two chunk bottles, two two year old heifers one hand mill one earthen pot, one chest,

3rd: To my son Elijah I leave two two year old heifer two bells one loom one cooper ax, one dozen one pair of compasses, one ax, fifteen head of hogs, I leave also six head more of hogs to my son Elijah Waters two drawing knives one run, one pewter basin, one coffee pot, one trunk, one bedstead, one pot, one tea kittle, one set of truss hoops, & all the sitting chairs, that I am possessed of, one shot bag & blowing horn, two hoes after this crop is over also one plough, one gubbing hoe, two jugs, one frying pan, also one cow & calf, also six acres of out land, one bridle and saddle, one ox cart, one ox that is in my mothers possession after her death, to go to my son Elijah, one table, one round shave, one ax, one bee hive, one water pail, one ox yoke, ring and staple, one tub, one stock lock, & Lastly I nominate and appoint my trusty friends, Southey Waters, & Ezekiel Henderson Executors to this my Last Will and Testament revoking all former Will by me made in witness whereunto I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal this twenty seventh day of April 1805. Signed sealed, and delivered in the presence of.

ALEX NELSON
DAVID MOOR
his
STEPHEN X HENDERSON
mark

his
JOHN X WATERS (SEAL)
mark

SOUTHEY WATERS & EZEKIEL HENDERSON QUALIFIED JULY TERM 1805:

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IN the name of God Amen; I Thomas Wise, of the State of North Carolina and County of Onslow, being weak in body, but of sound and perfect mind and memory thanks to Almighty God for the same do make and publish this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following (that is to say) first, I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Mary Wise the use and possession of all my lands with all my moveable property, during Her natural life, I give and devise unto my son Matthew Wise, to him and his heirs forever, one quarter part of my land including the house where he now lives extending from the river to a certain road leading from town, to Starkeys Hammock to be layed off joining Joneys line.

I, give and bequeath unto my son Selby H. Wise, one quarter part of my land to him and his heirs forever, to be laid off joining John Fairies lines up to my head line including my dwelling house and privilage thereunto belonging.

I give and bequeath unto my son Thomas Wise Fifty Dollars to be paid him by Matthew and Selby Wise aforesaid.

I give and bequeath unto my son Ezekiel Wise, the remaining part of my land to him and his heirs forever with all the privilage thereunto belonging.

I give and bequeath unto my daughter Hannon Bell one shilling to her and her heirs.

I give and bequeath unto my daughter Sarah Tanner one shilling to her and her heirs.

I give and bequeath unto my daughter Elizabeth Wise, at the death of my wife all the remaining part of my moveable property to her and her heirs forever.

And I hereby appoint my beloved wife and my son Selby Wise Executors of this my Last Will and Testament hereby revoking all former wills by me made in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 30th day of March 1807. Signed sealed and published and declared by the above named Thomas Wise to be his Last Will and Testament. In presence of us who have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses in presences of the Testator.

DANIEL ROGERS
WILLIAM HOWARD & SARAH X OWENS

THOMAS WISE (SEAL)

ONslow COUNTY: In Court June Term, 1807, This Will was proved in open court by Daniel Rogers, one of the subscribing witness & Mary Wise, the executrix therein named qualified ordered she have letters testamentary.

ATTEST: NATH LOOMIS. C.C.

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In the name of God Amen; I William Willey, of the County of Onslow County and State of North Carolina planter, 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 principally and first of all I give and recommend my Soul in the hands of Almighty God that gave it me and my body I recommend to the earth to be buried Christian form at the discretion of my executors nothin doubting but at the general resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God and as touching such worldly estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this life, I give and devise and dispose of the same in following manner and form VIZ: First I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Sally Willey one gray mare by the name Fly to her and her heirs forever, and further I lend my wife three cows and calves till my children arrives to full age or marry and then to belong to my children I also lend my wife a certain negro man by the name of Peter during her widow hood and longer if she keeps my children till they come to age and then to be returned to my children and then to be sold and the money to be equally divided between my three children VIZ: Betsy Willey, Sealy Willey, and Susanna Willey.

ITEM: I also give unto my beloved wife Sally Willey, all my household furniture and all my kitchen furniture to her and her heirs forever, also one flukerlow to her and her heirs forever, also two weeding hoes to her and her heirs forever.

ITEM: I also give my beloved wife two sows and pigs, her choice to her and her heirs forever, and all the rest of my property not mentioned in my Will to be sold to pay my debts.

And lastly I nominate and appoint my loving friend Joseph Ballard and Lawrence Jarman to be my hole wand sole executors of this my Last Will and Testament, and I do hereby disallow disuln and revoke all and every former Testaments Wills and bequeaths and Exes, by me heretofore named willed or bequeathed ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my Last Will and Testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the seventeenth day of February, in the year of Our Lord Christ Eighteen Hundred and one.

SIGNED SEALED PUBLISHED PRONOUNCED
AND DELIVERED BY THE SAID William
WILLEY AS HIS LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT
IN THE PRESENCE OF US WHO IN HIS PRESENCE
AND IN THE PRESENCE OF EACH OTHER HAVE HEREUNTO
SUBSCRIBED OUR NAMES.

WILLIAM WILLEY (SEAL)

his
MATTHEW X JARMAN
mark

her
POLLY X McDANIEL
mark

PROVED BY THE OATH OF POLLY
McDANIEL EXECUTRIX

APRIL TERM 1807.

NATH LOOMIS C.C.

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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA: I Richard Ward, of the County of Onslow, and State aforesaid being indisposed in body, of a mind recollecting that I must some time or other leave this world by death but of the certainty of the time I am not able to tell I therefore make and ordain this my Will in manner following that is to say I wish my just debts and expenses to be paid out of such property even if it is the old negroes as my executors shall think can be spared best for the purpose.

ITEM: I give to my daughter Polly, children ten dollars of my estate and no more as I give to her her full share of what I then possess.

ITEM: I give and bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth Fields, the sum of ten dollars out of my estate and no more as she has had her part before.

ITEM: I give and bequeath to my son George Ward all the lands I bought of the Court House lands.

ITEM: I give and bequeath to my daughter, Fersby Ward my home plantation and the lands belonging to said plantation.

ITEM: I leave the rest of my property both real and personal to be equally divided

between my said son George Ward and my daughter Fereby Ward and if either of the aforesaid children George or Fereby should die before arriving to age or without lawful issue for the share or legacy that I have bequeathed it he or she to go to the surviving one.

Lastly I do appoint Banister Lester as the Executor to full fill the contents of this will whom I also appoint as guardian to my aforesaid two children George and Fereby, in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 17th day of February 1825. I further request my Executor to support Mrs Rachel Johnston during her life in decency out of my estate.

SIGNED IN THE PRESENCE OF J. I.
DOTY
SUSAN R. DOTY

R. WARD.

ONSLow COUNTY: In Court May Term, 1825, the will of Richard Ward, being produced before THE Court and Jacob I Doty one of the subscribing witness thereto being duly sworn depose and sayeth that he saw Richard Ward sign the said within will, and acknowledged it to be his Will and that Susan R. Doty another of the subscribers there signed said Will in his presence and in the presence of each other they both signed said will.

TEST: BANISTER LESTER C.C.

ONSLow COUNTY: In Court May Term 1825, I do hereby certify that Banister Lester duly qualified as an executor to this Will of Richard Ward and letters was ordered to be granted

CHRIS DUDLY C.C.

In The name of God Amen: I Daniel Williams of Onslow County, and State of North Carolina, being of sound and perfect mind and memory blessed be God, do this 15th day of March, and in the year of Our Lord 1813, Do make and publish this my Last Will and Testament in manner following that is to say First I give and bequeath to my two sons Daniel and Nathan Williams, the hole of the land where I now live the land to be halved or divided when my son Daniel Williams comes of age at twenty years old which theris one hundred and fifty acres more or less to them and their heirs forever unless any one of them should die without a lawful air of their body it is my desire that the other should have the hole of the land only a reserved of one half of my cleared land to my beloved wife Asenath Williams it is my desire that my beloved wife Asenath Williams should keep the hole of my cleared land during her widow hood, then only one half of my cleared land to my loved wife Asenath Williams enduring her natural life also I lend to my beloved wife Asenath Williams two negroes by the name of Sailer and Rachel enduring her natural life also I lend to her one mare Sharlot one horse Dolphin two cows calves two yoes and lambs all my hogs and all my household furniture and plantation tools and riding chair and Charls enduring her natural life.

I give to my son Daniel Williams, One negro boy, by the name of Jack one mare by the name of Nance, one feather bed to him and heirs forever. unless he should die as before mentioned then this property is to go to my two daughters Asenath and Fanny Williams, One negro boy George to him and his heirs forever. Unless he should die as before mentioned then the property is to go to my two daughters Asenath and Fanny Williams, also I give to my two sons Daniel and Nathan Williams one hundred acres of pine land joining Thomas Henderson line and Will Williams line this side of the Mill Swamp fifty acres apiece also I give to my two daughters Asenath and Fanny Williams a negro girl by the name Fency one negro boy by the name of Charles, one by the name of Luce it is my will that these three negroes is to be equally divided when my daughter Asenath marries or comes of age them and their increase also I give to my two daughters after my loving wife death two negroes by the name of Sailer and Rachel them and their increase to be equally divided to them and their heirs forever excepting any one of them should die without a lawful air of their body it is my desire that the other one should have the hole of the property and after my loving wife death I give to my son Nathan Williams and to my two daughters Asenath Williams and Fanny Williams all my housen furniture stock cattle horses hogs sheep to be equally divided among them three also it is my will that my son Daniel Williams should have his half of the land and the other property that is left to him at twenty years old then he acts for himself it is my desire my son Nathan Williams should act for himself at twenty years old also it is my will that my loving should keep the hole of the property to school and raise the children until they come of age it is my desire that all my just debts should be paid and I hereby make and ordain my worthy wife Asenath Williams and Thomas Russell and my son Daniel Williams when he comes to be old enough to act shall be my executors of this my Last Will and Testament.

JACOB HUMPHERY
ARROW DAVIS

DANIEL WILLIAMS

In The name of God Amen: I Jesse Williams of the County of Onslow & State of North Carolina, being of a sound and perfect memory thanks be to God for the same do this the first day of November One Thousand Eight Hundred & One do make & ordain this my Last Will and Testament that is to say (VIZ)

FIRST: My Will & desire is that all my just debts & furnisil charges be paid out of my estate.

SECONDLY: I lend unto my beloved wife Polsey Williams all my estate real & personal until all my children shall come of age of full marry my executors: having liberty to sell such of my property as they may think my family can best spare at publick vendue except my lands & negroes as will discharge all my debts, and in case my beloved wife should marry any person that should misse my children or appear to be wasting the property I leave it in the power of my executor to have a division in the property & and point as the law directs her part & have my children used well, & further my will is that the property lent to my wife Polsey Williams she shall board cloth & school all my children & give them a liberal education free & from any charge & when my daughter Polsey Williams shall arrive to the age of eighteen years or marries then all the residue of my estate stock household furniture & my negroes (VIZ) Squire, Ann, Nance, & her two children Isam & Briant, Ella, Carry, Rose, Silvy, & three children Bill, Matthew, & Handy & their increase to be equal equally divided between all my children namely, Polsy, Sancy, Hilly, Jesse, & Sally Williams & my loving wife by valuation then I give my daughter Polsey Williams her part to her & her heirs forever the remainder of the same property to continue in loan with my wife on conditions for the support of my children & family until the rest comes of age and then an equal division again as was with the first with the property remaining & the increase to that and it's heirs forever & so on as they come of age until they all get their parts & further my will is that the money arising from my estate I leave it in the power of my executor to lay out in negroes & them to be equally divided amongst my children & my will is that after the death of my beloved wife or after my children all comes of age or marries for all my lands to be sold at five years credit dividing the amount of the sum in five parts paying one annuall until paid dividing it equally amongst all my children to them & their heirs forever. I do hereby make & ordain my beloved wife Polsey Williams & Lott Ballard executors to this my Last Will & Testament in witness whereof I the said Jesse Williams have to this my Last Will & Testament set my hand & seal the day & year first above written.

SIGNED SEALED & DECLARED
BY THE SAID, JESSE WILLIAMS, THE
TESTATOR AS HIS LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT
IN PRESENCE OF US.
TEST: ARTHUR B. GREGORY
ELIZABETH STOKES

J. WILLIAMS. (SEAL)

The within will of Jesse Williams was proved in open court, by Arthur Gregory and Elizabeth Stokes and Polly Williams, and Lott Ballard the executors therein named qualified thereto. January Term, 1802.

NATH LOOMIS. C.C.

In The Name of God Amen:

ITEM: I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Selah Williams, VIZ. Venas, Easterher & Elias also one bay horse called Frolick and one black mare called Grisham, two feather beds and furniture, two folding tables and two chests half dozen setting chairs one wollen wheel and one linnin wheel one pair of cotton cards one pair of wollen cards also one bar plow and two flooks plows and two sets clevis irons two pairs trasses also five sows and nine four cows and calves eight head of sheep and one good beef also one thousand weight of good pork also all the earthen ware and hollow ware one narrow ax two weeding hoes one grubbing hoe half dozen knives and forks and knife box and all my geese to she and her heirs.

ITEM: I Give and bequeath unto my beloved daughter Hannah Williams VIZ. one negro girl named Patience one negro boy Arthuer one negro boy child named Friday one negro man named Dick to she and her heirs.

ITEM: I give and bequeath unto my beloved daughter Henny Williams one negro boy named Isam one negro girl named Jude and one negro girl named Penny also one negro boy to be bought about ten years of age out of the real and personal estate also half of the hire of Dick till my daughters arrives to the age of eighteen or marries to her and her heirs.

ITEM: I give and bequeath unto my beloved daughter Hannah and Henny Williams the plantation where I now live to them and their heirs also when my daughter Hannah Williams arrives to the age of eighteen or marries also all my wooding lands this side Back Swamp and five mile then to be an equal division between the two girls reserving my wifes thirds also the profits arising from my land when my daughter Hannah arrive to the age of eighteen or marries then to be an equal division of the whole and in case either of my daughters should die without lawful