

that if my son should die in nonage that the above named Negro Abel be and remain the property of my wife during her life and then I give said Negro to Mary C. Sneed.
Nov. 29th 1812

SIGNED & SEALED IN PRESENCE OF US:

LOTT BALLARD

GAINS ROWE (SEAL)

EDMOND WRIGHT

I also empower my said Executrix should she deem it expedient to sell the two negroes men Tryon and Luke or either of them and I also authorize her if she thinks it most advisable to purchase with the money other young negro boy. Which negroes if bought or the money to be apportioned as before directed that is to say to the use of my son James and in case of his death to Richard and Anne Shackelford.

February 24th 1813

SIGNED AND SEALED IN PRESENCE OF US:

BENJ. JOHNSTON

ELIZABETH BAISEN

April 8th 1806

The nuncupative Will of Sarah Russell deceased first of all I give to my daughter Catherine all my crockery ware.

ITEM: Secondly I give to Catharine Fullwood ten head of hogs that is going on two year old and my will and desire is that my sister Catharine Fullwood should have the care of raising my daughter Catharine Russell.

ITEM: I give to William Fullwood one cow and calf.

And last of all my will and desire is that all the rest of the Estate be sold and my just debts be paid out of it and the residue to be equally divided amongst all my children to-wit Micajah, John, Elijah, Catharine and Jane.

And last of all I appoint Thomas Pitt my Executor to this my last Will. ~~xxxxxx~~

TEST: JNO. FULLWOOD

ONslow COUNTY: In Court April term 1806. This will was proved in open court by John Fullwood and Thomas Pitt the Executors therein named qualified ordered to have letters testamentary.

NATH LOOMIS CLK.

In the name of God Amen: I Thomas Russell, being weak in body, but of sound mind and memory and calling to mind the mortality of all men I do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament First I recommend my Soul to God that gave it and my body I submit to the grave to be united with it's mother earth to be buried decently and in a Christian like manner my worldly goods that it has pleased God to bless me with I dispose of as follows First it is my desire that my executors pay all of my just debts then as follows.

ITEM: I lend to my beloved wife Obiah during her natural life two negro women Kate, and Winny, also two negro girls Fennelopy & Suck until my daughter Fanny Russell comes to age or marries also one negro boy and one negro girl Poll until my daughter Susannah J. Russell comes to age or marries also one negro boy Owen, until my son Benjamin W. Russell comes to the age of ten years also I lend to my wife during her natural life the house and plantation, wherel now live with all the wood land on the west side of the Mill pond and wading branch, that is Elliott patent also to have twenty barrels of corn from my mill pond yearly during her natural life and for her to have the mill tended two herself also one horse by the name of Rufus one riding chair and harness two cows and calves one bed and furniture the best I have and one of the sorriest two round tables one beaufett and furniture all my sitting chairs, one press and one large chair all my kitchen furniture one loom it's furniture two ~~xxxx~~ and lambs twenty head of hogs her choice of hogs that is fed near my house also my will is that my wife should keep and raise my daughters Fanny and Susannah clear of the expeses two years old also my will is that my wife shall have it in her power at her death to divide the property lent to her that I have not made provisions for in this my will among my children.

ITEM: I give to my son David W. Russell all my land that is the East side of my Mill Pond and wading Branch also one piece of land on New River that I bought of Hart also one negro boy Jack also one half of my mill when he comes to age to him and his heirs and assigns.

ITEM: I give to my son William J. Russell one hundred acres of aland in the fork of Bear Creek and one hundred ~~xxxx~~ by the name of Phillips patten adjoining the above mentioned land also the land I bought of John Smith on the head of Sam Bear Creek and one negro boy Ben to him his heirs and assigns forever

ITEM: I give to my son Daniel L. Russell the land and plantation on teh main road that I bought of Marcum Harvey two hundred acres also one hundred acres adjoining the same patented by my self also fifty acres joining Smit's Laurel patented by self also one negro boy by the name of Elias to him his heirs and assigns.

ITEM: I, give to my son Benjamin W. Russell the land and plantation where I now live the same I lent to my wife also the other half of my will to have the same at my wife death also one negro boy Owen and to be hire out by my executors after my son Benjamin is ten years of age for him use the same to him his heirs and assigns, further if either my before mentioned should die without lawful issue begotten of their body then it is my will that his part shall be equally divided among my other sons.

ITEM: I give to my daughter Fanny Russell two negro girls Fennelopy and Suck to receive them when she comes of age or marries and at that time if ther should be any increase by Fennelopy it is my will it should be equally divide between my two daughters Fanny and Susannah.

ITEM: I give to my daughter Susannah I. Russell a negro boy George by name and a negro girl Poll by name also it is my will if either of my daughters should before they come to age or without lawful issue begotten of her body for the surviving one to have her part of the property left to her by me.

Further it is my will that my wife Carry on the crop that I have begun, to have the use of the horse named Buck with all the plantation tools and in the fall to have twenty barrels of corn given off to her and to have the privilege of turning into the field the hogs that she may see proper to make pork off all the remaining part of my property that is not herein mentioned to be sold at the discretion of my executors and the money to be equally divided among all my children.

Further it it is my desire that my friend Gabriel Hancock have my oldest son David W. Russell bound to him until he arrives to the age of twenty one years to give him a reasonable education and bring him up in a Christian like manner and learn him reasonable to labor for his living and David Ward to have my second son William and comply with the above Isaac Saunders to take Daniel my third son and do likewise. Daniel M. Dulany to take my youngest son Benjamin Ward Russell when he arrives to the age of ten years and do the same by him that I have directed my other friend to do by and for my other son.

Further I do constitute and appoint my friends Gabriel Hancock Isaac Saunders, and David Ward executors to this my last Will and testament to take and see that this my last Will is executed agreeable to the intent and meaning thereof as I have requested. This to make void all other wills by me made heretofore.

THOMAS RUSSELL (SEAL)

SIGNED AND SEALED AND DELIVERED

THIS 25th DAY OF MARCH 1813.

IN PRESENCE OF

TEST: JOHN GORUTO

BENJAMIN WARD SR.

WILLIAM J. RUSSELL

In the name of God Amen: I, Elisha Roberts of Onslow County, & State of North Carolina, planter being of sound and perfect mind and memory blessed be God do this the thirth day of November in the years of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred & ten make and publish this my last Will and Testament in manner following that is to say it is my wish & desire that all my just debts be paid.

SECONDLY: My will and desire is that my beloved wife Sarah Roberts should have one third part of all my lands during her natural life and at her death for to return and be equally divided between my children and if any one of my children should dy before they arrive to age for the surviving one to hav all my land.

Also my will and desire is that my beloved wife Sarah Roberts should have one years provision allotted her out of my crop noe on hand also my will and desire is that after all my debts being paid that my beloved wife Sarah Roberts should have one third part of all my negroes and other property.

Also my will and desire is that the residue of my property remain together and be hired out at the discretion of my executors for the benefit of my two children William and Mary Roberts until one of them comes to age or marries and then for