

George Peay

In the name of God Amen I George Peay, Senr. of the State of North Carolina and County of Rockingham being very sick and weak of Body but in perfect mind and memory, I know that it is appointed once for all men to die: I recommend my Soul to God that gave it, and my Body to be buried in a decent and Christian Burial at the discretion of my Executors Nothing doubting that at the General resurrection I shall receive it again by the mighty power of God and as touching such worldly estate it hath pleased God to bless me with I Give and bequeath in manner and form following Ver:

Item I Give and bequeath to William Peay or negro man named Bernard to him and his heirs forever

Item I Give and bequeath to George Peay Junr. a certain piece or parcel of land beginning at Nathaniel Seales north Corner, running a north east Course to a Branch called Pains Spring Branch, thence down the said Branch to Dan: river, thence up the said river to the Corner of the said Nathaniel Seales line, thence north along the said line to the beginning be the same sixty acres more or less it being the tract wherein the said George Peay Senior now lives to him and his heirs forever. I also Give and bequeath to the said George Peay Junr. two negroes by the name of Isaac and Lett to him and his heirs forever.

Item, I Order and request my Executors herein after named to sell and dispose of a certain tract of land containing two hundred acres more or less joining the lands of Sampson Lanier on the Waters of Troublesome in the County aforesaid and that they also sell and dispose of a Store house and Lots in the City of Raleigh.

Item I Give and bequeath my land wherein I now live containing nine hundred acres be the same more or less unto William Peay, Elias Peay, James Peay, Ambrose Peay and Thomas Peay to them and their heirs forever

Item I Give and bequeath all the residue of my personal estate including a negro woman named Winny and her children she now has which Bartlett Smith has now in his possession to my children, to wit William Peay, George Peay Junr., Elisabeth

Smith, Elias Peay, James Peay, Ambrose Peay and Thomas Peay to be equally divided among them and their heirs forever. Lastly I appoint William Peay, James Peay, and Thomas Peay my lawful executors to this my last Will and Testament revoking all former Wills by me made In Witness Whereof I set my hand and seal this ninth day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and four, and of the Independence of America the XXVIII

(signed) Geo Peay & Seal

Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of us

(signed) John Ellay
Gideon Johnson Junr
George Allen

State of North Carolina
Rockingham County

August: Session 1864

The within last Will and Testament of George Peay was duly proved in open Court by the oath of John Ellay and on Motion Ordered to be recorded

(signed) R. Gallaway C.

Daniel Harris

In the name of God Amen I Daniel Harris of Rockingham County in the State of North Carolina being sick but of a sound disposing mind and memory, calling to mind the uncertainty of life, and that it is appointed for all persons once to die do make publish and declare this to be my last Will and Testament in manner and form following Ver: I recommend my Soul to God who gave it, and my Body to the earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my executors herein after mentioned, and as to what little worldly property it hath pleased God to bless me with in this life I Give and dispose of the same in the following manner to wit

In primis, I Give to my beloved wife Sarah during her natural life, all my estate both real

real and personal to be used for the benefit of herself and family, and after her decease I give bequeath and devise to my son-in-law John Gilliland the tract of land whereon I now live containing by estimation one hundred acres of land be the same more or less to him his heirs and assigns forever.

Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Eliza both after her mothers death all the residue of my estate of whatever kind or nature to her and her heirs and assigns forever.

Lastly I do appoint my beloved wife Sarah Harris and my son-in-law John Gilliland executors of this my last Will and Testament ratifying this and no other to be my last Will and Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 13th day of February A.D. 1801

Signed sealed and acknowledged in the presence of us the Subscribing Witnesses

The Wundersons

John Walker

John Oliver

State of No. Carolina }
Rockingham County } August: Session 1801

The within last Will and Testament of Daniel Harris was duly proved in open Court by the Oath of Thos Wunderson, and on motion Ordered to be recorded

(signed) R. Gallaway C.

John Johnston

In the name of God Amen I John Johnston of Rockingham County and State of North Carolina being very sick and weak in Body, but of perfect mind and memory thanks be given unto God calling unto me 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, that is to say principally

and first of all I give and recommend my soul into the hands of almighty God that gave it and my Body I recommend to the earth to be buried in decent Christian Burial at the discretion of my executors expecting I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God and as touching such worldly estate wherewith it has pleased God to bless me in this life I give devise and dispose of the same in the following manner & form.

First I give and bequeath to Mary Johnston my dear beloved wife one hundred and twenty acres of land whereon she now lives during her natural life and all household and Kitchen furniture with all my stock for nothing to be disturbed so long as she lives single.

Also the two youngest gals to be boarded out of the estate while of age a married and after the decease of my wife then the land of one hundred and twenty acres to belong to my son Price Johnston my former plantation.

Also I give the mare called Shelley to him also Item I give to my son John Johnston one hundred and one acre land the remaining part of Lewis Tract also one acre out of Lewis Tract also one mare called Diamond.

I give to my son George Johnston one hundred and one acres land of Lewis's Tract where the plantation lies - also one sorrel two years old.

I give to my son Colster Johnston the remaining part of Lewis's tract being one hundred and one acres of land and my young sorrel mare Colt come by Prices mare.

Item I appoint my two sons my Executors Price Johnston and John Johnston.

I give to daughter Sarah Mullin one young Cow and no more till my wifes death and a part with the Rest of the last mentioned stock and furniture.

Item I give to my daughter Rachael Johnston one Cow and calf and one young Cow feather Bed, and furniture saw pigs.

Item I give my daughter Nancy Johnston feather Bed and furniture one Cow & calf one young Cow one saw pigs when married or wants it.

Item I give my daughter Polly Johnston one Bed and furniture one Cow and calf, one young Cow saw pigs.

Item