

Washburn one horse bridle and saddle, two cows and calves, one feather bed and furniture to be delivered when needed.

Sixthly: I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Priscilla Washburn all my estate real and personal during her life or widowhood, otherwise to have a child's part; also to have the privilege to sell, swap, or convey any part of my property whatever except my lands and two negro girls Polly and Rachael with their increase.

Seventhly: At the death of my wife or marriage I give and bequeath to my son Abraham Washburn three hundred acres of land by estimation to be run off the N. E. side of my land above Dill's branch joining lands of William Elliot, Richard Covington and Charles Washburn and my own line, also the aforesaid negro girls Polly with her increase if any.

Eighthly: At the death or marriage of my wife I give and bequeath to my son Corak before mentioned all the balance of my real estate, also the aforesaid negro girl Rachael and her increase if any, a still and vessels belonging thereto with my eight casks, also a pair of chains traces, and hays, one poll axe and mattoe, two ploughs, one weeding hoe and all my farming Carpenter tools.

Ninthly: At the death or marriage of my wife I give and bequeath all my personal estate to my following children viz. to John Washburn, Thomas Washburn, Sarah Laws, Reuben Washburn, Margaret Laws, Gabriel Washburn, Lurancy Washburn, Susannah Harrill, Abraham Washburn, and Robert Washburn to be equally divided among them.

And I hereby make and ordain my beloved wife Priscilla Washburn and my sons Abraham and Josiah Washburn my Executrix and Executors of this my last will and Testament.

In Witness whereof I Gabriel Washburn have to this my last Will and Testament set my hand and seal the day and year above written

Gabriel Washburn

Signed, sealed and declared by the said <sup>in</sup> Gabriel Washburn Testator as his last Will and Testament in the presence of us, who were present at the signing & sealing thereof.

Achilles Durham (Clerk)  
Farmer Moore (Clerk)  
John Moore

February Court 1826.

In the name of God Amen:  
I Nathan Lankford of the State of North Carolina and County of Putnamford being sick and afflicted in body but of sound mind and memory do ordain that my last Will and Testament be as follows: It is my Will that my just debts and the expense of a decent burial of my body be paid out of my personal estate, then I give and bequeath to my wife Meron Lankford the use of all my estate both real and personal during her natural life or widowhood (except two truffers that I hereby give to my daughter Meron) for the support of herself and her unmarried children that may continue to live with her, and if any of them should marry and leave her, she is to furnish them with a bed and furniture and

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other necessaries such as them that are already married have been furnished with; and at the death or marriage of my said wife Meron, I bequeath my lands and <sup>to</sup> <sup>the</sup> <sup>use</sup> <sup>and</sup> <sup>benefit</sup> <sup>of</sup> <sup>my</sup> <sup>son</sup> <sup>John</sup> <sup>Lankford</sup>;

The tract on Skywicker below the mill I bequeath to my son John Lankford; The tract on the long branch known by the name of the Quince place I bequeath to my son Curtis C. Lankford; and the tract that lies on I bequeath to the use and benefit of my son Robert S. Lankford under the direction and Guardianship of his brother John Lankford; and if my negroes should increase in number so as to afford it, I allow the first of the increase to my daughter Elizabeth and the second to my daughter Meron, and the residue of the estate I allow my Executor to sell and distribute in the following manner, my daughter Elizabeth one share, and if the negroes should not increase so as to afford her the above devise, I allow her fifty dollars over an equal share, my son John Lankford one share, my daughter Mary Hobbs one share, the children of my daughter Sarah Logan one share, my daughter Abby Carrieth one share, the children of my daughter Rhodda Braden one share, my daughter Meron one share and fifty dollars over if the negroes should fail to increase so as to afford the devise of one above named, my daughter Martha Hobbs one share, my son Minor S. Lankford one share, my son Curtis C. Lankford half a share and my son Robert S. Lankford half a share to be under the Guardianship of his brother John Lankford. And I do hereby nominate and appoint my <sup>loving</sup> wife Meron Executrix and my son John Lankford Executor of this my last Will and testament,

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and on the account of Legacies left to him I allow him no commissions for his services - and do hereby publish ratify and pronounce this to be my last Will and testament revoking and disallowing all others heretofore made In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 28<sup>th</sup> day of December 1825 -

Lyned seal published & pronounced in presence of  
 Alex<sup>r</sup>. Carrieth Jurat  
 Eze<sup>l</sup>. Graham

Matthew Lankford  
 Mark

March Court 1826 - Mills

I make this my last Will and Testament, and first of all I commend my soul to God who gave it and my body to be buried in a Christian manner; and I will my wife Nancy the land where I now live and all the stock, horses, cattle and hogs and all the household furniture during her life or widowhood and then the stock and furniture to be equally divided between Henry and Clarinson and William and Luke and Rebecca Pearson and Edward Blanton, and the land to be <sup>divided</sup> <sup>equally</sup> between the boys Henry and William and Luke and Edward Blanton; Henry to have the upper part of the land, William the next and Luke the next, and Edward Blanton the home plantation after my debts and Legacies is paid. I also leave my daughter Patsy thirty dollars, and my daughter Nancy thirty dollars to be paid at the discretion of the executor; that tract of land on Savage's branch of two hundred acres I leave to be sold & one half of the money to be left in the Executors hands to buy land for the boys the other half to be equally divided between my two daughters