

Stokes County, September-October 1826

The last will and testament of Cadwallader Jones of which the foregoing is a true copy, was duly proven in open Court by the oath of Isaac Haguel & ordered to be recorded —

Matthew Moore cc
13/10/26 J. P. Moore

I Alexander Moody of the County of Stokes & State of North Carolina do make and ordain this to be my last will and testament to wit

1st It is my will that all my debts & funeral charges shall be paid out of my estate by my executor hereinafter named and to enable my said executor to pay the same I do authorize and empower him or the survivor of them to collect all my outstanding debts & to sell for the best price that can be obtained therefor such of my personal property as can be best stored by my family together with so much of my lands as may be necessary for that purpose reserving however the Cumantia tract & the town fork tract & my houses & lots in Cumantia —

2nd it is my will that my plantations be rented & my negroes hired out annually for the benefit of my estate —

3rd It is my will that my family shall be supported & my children educated in as equal a manner as possible out of my estate as hereinafter

4th I give and bequeath to my wife Sally all my kitchen furniture together with the use & profits of the houses and lots wherein I now live. 5th I give and bequeath unto my wife Sally and my

children Nathaniel, Polly, Alexander, Thomas, Anne & Sally all the residue of my estate both real and personal to be divided amongst them share & share alike and it is my will that each of my children shall be entitled to draw their share thereof respectively as they come of lawful age —

6th I hereby appoint my wife Sally Executor and my son Nathaniel executor of this my last will and testament

In witness whereof I do hereunto set my hand & seal the 17th day of August A. D. 1826

Witness

J. P. Moore

The J. P. Moore

Alexander Moody

Stokes County, December Term 1826 The last will & testament of Alex^r Moody of which the foregoing is a true copy was duly proven in open Court by the oaths of J. P. Moore & Th^s J. Armstrong & ordered to be recorded

M. R. Moore cc
J. C. L. Bannister

In the Name of God Amen, I Frederick Nicholas of Stokes County & State of North Carolina being sick of body but of sound and perfect mind and memory blessed be Almighty God for the same. Do make and publish this my last will and testament in manner & form following (viz) I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Elizabeth Nicholas the tract of land wherein I now live containing eighty five acres together with all the improvements thereunto belonging & also all my household and kitchen furniture with all my other property of what nature or kind known to have and to use as she may think proper during her natural life & after her death if any of the property remaining I will that it be given to my grandsons Mark White & his heirs In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 14th day of October 1824 Frederick Nicholas

Signed sealed published and delivered in the presence of us

Wm. L. Cook (clerk)

Mr. Cadys, Nancy Smith

Stokes County, December Term 1826

The last will and testament of which the foregoing is a true copy was duly proven in open Court by the oath of William L. Cook and ordered to be recorded

M. R. Moore cc
J. C. L. Bannister

In the Name of God Amen I Adam Cargen being sick and of sound & perfect mind and memory blessed be God I do make this my last will in manner & form following I will that all kitchen and household furniture bedding & clothing besides her own bed & her own cattle which she now owns shall belong to my daughter Bertranda for ever after my wife's decease she having lived with us without pay but if my wife survives me, then all the above household furniture bedding and clothing is to remain in for her use & after her decease it all belongs to my said daughter My home plantation containing three hundred and twenty five acres is I duly with all the improvements I give to my dear wife Mary Margaret for & during her natural life but if she hath departed this life before me or after her decease my will is that the said land shall be sold by my executor or the survivor of them by public or private sale with power to convey the same to the purchaser the 102 acres of land granted to me & Decees in trust for the