

In the name of God Amen! Jonathan Perry
of Stokes County State of North Carolina being in a law
state of health & in love of God do make this my
last will testamental as follows Imprimis as to my
mortality that I will and positively order that all
my just debts be paid. Item I leave to my only son
Wyatt one hundred acre of land at the coming of
age and my father to have timber as is mentioned
in the deed the farm to be left up by the rents thereof
and the remainder to my loving wife and Child till he
comes of age, my father & Mother to have privilege of
the fruits of they stand in need during their lives also
my Child to have three years schooling and to be bound
to some good trade or his choice I also desire that the
land shall not be cut more than necessary for keeping
up the plantation.

Also I desire that my loving wife shall have all
the remains of my estate and school and board the Child
as above My desire is that the orchard be kept to itself
so as not to be destroyed or injured by stock or otherwise
In witness whereof I have put my hand this the
15th December A.D. 1813. I constitute my friend
Abraham Walker Executor to this my last will & testament
& trustee for my wife & child. Signed sealed published
& delivered by the above.

Edward Bullock
Eliza Perry (surety)
John H. Hull. Stokes County Deed Room 1813

The execution of the last will and testament of
Jonathan Perry of which the foregoing is a true
copy was duly proved in open Court by Charles
Perry and record to be recorded

Courts accordingly Rob. Williams. Esq.

by Peter Armstrong Esq.

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In the name of God Amen I Gray Bynum of
Stokes County State of North Carolina being a person very
weak in body but of sound and useful mind and
memory thanks be given to almighty God, calling unto
mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is
appointed for all men once to die, do make publish my
last will and testament had it to say
principally and first of all I commend my soul into
the hands of Almighty God who gave it and my body
to the earth to be buried in a decent manner at the
discretion of my executors; And as touching such earthly
estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me with in
his life I give devise and dispose of the same in the
following manner & form viz.

First of all it is my will and desire that all my just
debts shall be paid in any sum that shall be and remain unpaid
Secondly I will and desire that the tract of land &
premises whereto I now live being originally surveyed in
several surveys adjoining each other part of which I have
hitherto conveyed to my son Hampton Bynum the residue
of said lands and improvements which belongs to my
home plantation containing three hundred acres by
Estimation on both sides of Little Sandy Creek of
Towapka adjoining the lands of ~~William~~ Eliza Hampton
Bynum and others all which shall be sold at public
Vidue after due advertisement by my executors herein
after named to the highest bidder in a twelve month
beginning by the purchase giving bond sufficient security
Also I will and desire that my tract of one hundred
acres lying on big Sandy Creek in the former aforesaid
adjoining Jacky Goldings lands be survey of one
hundred acres of cold Knight Meadow to be sold in like
manner as above to

thirdly I give and bequeath unto my daughter Martha Blum one negroe woman of Color a slave named Phillis and all said Phillis Children slaves which she now has or here after may be delivered of

Forthly I will and desire that the remainder of my slaves which I may die possessed of shall be sold to the highest bidder in the same manner as my lands and on the same credit and also all my other property of every description to be sold in like manner in inventory of which it is my desire shall be taken by my executors immediately after my dissolution and all the property to be particular care taken of.

5th And after the Total Amount of sales of my Estate both real and personal as above mentioned are ascertained to be disposed of among and between my heirs in the following Manner viz.

1st I give and bequeath to my Eldest son John Byrum only ten Dollars as his full legacy of my estate besides what I have heretofore given him which he received. 2^d I give Bequeath unto my eldest Daughter Mary Gordon now deceased children one dollar only as their full legacy of my Estate besides what I have heretofore done for & given my said Daughter in her life time and her children since her decease all which they received.

3rd I give & bequeath unto my late Daughter Sally Parson her children Ten Dollars each as their full share of my estate besides what was given heretofore. 4th I give unto son Gray Byrum one dollar besides what I have heretofore let him have &c 5th

I have heretofore given and done a very good part by my son Hampton Byrum in consideration of what I was able or inclined to give him, in addition

to that, I give and bequeath unto him only five Dollars to be his full share or legacy of the residue of my Estate. 6th It is my will and desire my executor hereinafter shall pay out of the monies arising from the sale of my estate the sum of Fifty Dollars unto John Byrum in consideration of his services done and performed towards managing & looking over my domestic concerns in the house &c &c the whole of the balance of my Estate which remain after paying the aforesaid legacy of money particularly mentioned and bequeathed as above and all Costs and lawful Charges which may accrue in settling my estate as aforesaid in a fair & compleat Manner, according to the true intent & meaning of this my Will, then the said balance of my estate to be equally divided into four shares which said shares when so made I will and bequeath unto my three other Children vizd Benjamin Byrum Martha Blum and Nancy Brown to be divided among and between them as follows vizd that my son Benjamin shall have and receive one half or two of said shares and the other two shares to be equally divided share and share alike between my said Daughters Martha Blum and Nancy Brown.

Lastly I constitute Nominal and appoint my beloved son Benjamin Byrum principal Executor & ampton Byrum Assistant Executor of this my last Will and Testament and do hereby disallow & revoke all former Wills and testaments by me made Notifying & requiring this to be my last Will and Testament.

In witness whereof the said Gray Byrum has hereunto set my hand before my seal the fourth day of December in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred & thirteen

Gray Byrum (Seal)
mark

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Legated sealed pronounced by the said Gray
Brynum as his last Will and Testament in the presence
of us who in the presence of each other have
hereunto set our names as witness to the same

B. Brown
Asaph Davis
Wm. Ryall.

Polk County March 11th 1814

The last Will and Testament of Gray
Brynum the 3d of which the foregoing is a true
copy was duly proven in open Court by
Charles Brown & Asaph Davis and ordered
to be recorded. Done accordingly

Rob. Williamson Jr.
by Thos. Chapman Esq,

In the name of God Amen - I, Robert Brynum
of the County of Polk, and State of North Carolina
being poorly in body but of sound mind & memory, thank
God, do this 1st day of November in the year of our
Lord one thousand eight hundred & thirteen make and
publish this my last Will and Testament in manner
following that is to say -

First I will that after my decease my wife Anna
do continue to stay and live on the place of Plantations
& now live during her life on Meadowood together
with all my Children under age and that she
together with the executors hereafter named
during her life on Meadowood see to the raising of
the Children under age and in case my said
wife Anna should die before I will that the said
the longer live on my plantation or land or

or draw any support from the same from the day
of her Marriage.

Secondly I will that my oldest son Mark be paid
Ten Dollars which ten dollars with Eighty Dollars there
already given him will make together with Ninety Dollars
for said Charles legacy and that said Mark hereafter
have no more out of all my estate than the said Ten
Dollars in addition to the eighty already advanced him.

Thirdly I will that after all my Children are of
age all my estate be equally divided among them
and wife Anna in Case she should then be living in a
state of Meadowood that is to say Among my sons
Daniel, John, James, Daughter Polly, son's son, Samuel
Elias & my wife Anna excepting Daniel & the same to
Polly who have already been advanced that is to say
already given to Daniel Eighty ~~Four~~ Dollars, Thirty
four and a half Cents, to John Forty Dollars, to
James Thirty Dollars and to Polly eight dollars now
My Meaning is that with the sum, equally given
in advance to the aforesaid Children my estate
be equally divided when the youngest comes of age
that then be none of my younger Children advanced
out of my estate unless any of them should marry &
the remaining family, circumstances admit any advance
to be given without bringing them to meagrit, then each
of my Children who may marry before the youngest
comes of age may be advanced out of my estate
by my executors to the amount there already
given to some of my older Children before named
and in Case any of my Children should die leaving
no issue this part of my estate is to be equally
divided among the surviving ones and the widow
my son Mark excepted.