

as I allotted for them I therefore give bequeath unto Elizabeth Bunkerhamers charity school Mary Campbell Anne Willigack Isabella Dick Espe Swain Milly Hillen and all mine Swains my beloved sons & daughters to each of them the sum of Ten shillings to be raised & paid out of my estate

Sixthly. I give & bequeath to Elizabeth Swain my beloved grand son the sum of 2 pdr shillings to be raised & paid out of my estate.

Seventhly. I give and bequeath to William Bennett my beloved grand son one certain Horse Colt commonly called his Colt and also fifty Dollars to be raised out of my estate.

Eighthly. It is my will & desire that after the decease of my dearly beloved wife Nancy all my household goods & furniture may be sold and the money equally divided amongst my Children

And lastly. I do constitute make & ordain that my wife Nancy together with my son Jonathan Swain be my executor to this my last will & testament And I do hereby utterly revoke and disannul all and every former testaments Wills legacies bequests & executors by me in any way before named written & bequeathed ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last will & testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day & year above written

William Swain (Seal)

Signed sealed, published, pronounced & declared by the said William Swain as his last will & testament in the presence of

Thomas Lloyd Esqr

Stokes County Court at Court Term 1819.

The executor of the last will & testament of William Swain dec'd of which the foregoing is a true copy was duly sworn in open Court by the same Judge and ordered to be recorded. Done at Newbern

Robt Williams Clk
Thos. T. Armstrong & Co

In the name of God Amen I John Thomas of Stokes County in the State of North Carolina being at present in a low state of health through of some painful minds & memory but calling unto mind the mortality of my body & knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do this nineteenth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & thirteen make a last & full this my last will & testament that is to say principally and first of all I recommend my soul into the hands of Almighty God and my body to the earth to be buried in Christian Burial at the direction of my executors. And as touching such worldly estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me with in this life. I give devise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form. To wit I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Hannah all such property as she brought with her when I intermarried her and further I give unto my said wife Hannah for and during her natural life all the following property. To wit

That she shall have the use & benefit of my Mansions House & out Houses together with my plantations containing about two hundred acres on which I now live also all my negro Slaves except one negro girl named Nancy and my still with the necessary vessels for the distilling our Corn two Horse Creakers named Jell & Black my House Clock four Cows & calves & two beef cattle

two plows & one Colter plow two Blows with
Hams & traces three Swings her Eight head of
sheep two saws with one Oxygen Stove one
wash Kettle one pot a Dutch oven & frying pan
one Corner Cupboard. & one Dresser and after the
decease of my said Wife Hannah if she should
out live me It is my will & desire that the whole
of my estate bequeathed to her both personal &
personal as aforesaid which may then be in custom
at her Death (except that part which she brought
with her when I intermarried her) shall be sold
by my executors on a Credit of twelve months
immediately after her decease and the monies
arising from such sale to be equally divided among
Whitmore my eight Children viz. Joseph, John,
Elizabeth, George, Jacob, Abram, Mary & Peter
equally share and share alike, after deducting
from my son John & Jacob Hannah's dividend
a share two Hundred & twenty five \$225. each
being for seventy five acres of Land I bequeathed
unto each of them as herein after mentioned

2ndly I further will & bequeath that my sons
Peter and Abram shall have my plantation
which I have hereby willed to my wife Hannah aforesaid
after her decease to be equally divided between them
as they can agree & after the said division is made
each one of said plantation to be valued to them
by three good freeholders to be chosen by my executors
for that purpose & which appraisement or valuation
shall be considered as part of their legacy or
share of my estate with the rest of my Children
But if they or either of them should not think

proper to receive their lot as such valuation then
it is that each the same or either of them be sold
with the other Estate on a Credit of twelve months
as above mentioned.

Thirdly It is my will & desire that in case my said
negro slave does not well & truly take good care
and obey my wife aforesaid strictly & honestly that then
& in that case they shall be hired out by my
Executors hereinafter named & their hire to be applied
towards my wife's maintenance

Fourthly I give unto my son John Samuel seventy
five acres & twenty five acres to my son Jacob & Hannah
joining the House Town Land being on the west end
of my land on which I live to run agreeable to the Law run
by Charles Banner the 16th day of the present month July
1812. my son Jacob's part to be the south west corner of
my land to include his improvement which land my
said sons is to receive as part of their legacy or share of
my estate at three Dollars per acre

5thly I give unto my daughter Mary Hannah one
negro girl slave Franky the woman if any she
may have, extra own & above her other part a share
in my Estate also I give unto my said Daughter
one Cow & Calf one bed & furniture one pot one
Dutch oven & frying pan and every necessary for house
keeping equal to what my daughter Eliza Rita or
received when she married & before me.

6thly Further it is my will & desire that my son Peter
shall be bound to some good trade for him to make choice
of if I should die before he may arrive at lawful age
& that he shall have and receive one good horse
one cream saddle and bridle extra & equal to what

144 I have given my other sons hitherto which is
not to be concerned in any part of his legacy
in my estate when a division is to be made

Lastly it is my will & desire that all my estate
both real and personal not particularly mentioned
& bequeathed as aforesaid shall be sold by my executor
in a twelve month's credit as soon as may be
after my death and after paying all my just
creditors to whom I am indebted the residue
to be equally divided among my aforesaid children

And I make & ordain my worthy friends
Joseph Holder Senr. William Dicks & Charles
Danner Executors of this my last will & testament
In Witness whereof I the aforesaid John Shamel
have to this my last will & testament set my
hand & seal the day & year first above written

Signed sealed published & declared
by the said John Shamel this
testator as his last will & testament
in the presence of us who were
present at the signing & sealing
thereof

John Shamel (Seal)

Witness
George Ray }
Joseph Holder } Suret
made.

Taken before me March Term 1813.

The execution of the last will & testament of John
Shamel and of which the foregoing is a true copy was
duly proven in open Court by the oath of Charles
Danner George Ray & Joseph Holder & ordered to be
Recorded

Done accordingly

Robt Williams CC
J. Tho. T. Armstrong Esq.

John Lawson his will by word of mouth made
and declared by him at the house of William Hooker
where he was resident for several weeks about the
last day of February 1813. in presence of us who are
hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses hereunto.
My will is that my daughter Maria Hooker shall
have my man bridle & saddle having earned
them by her care and attention to me. To which
will we were called upon to take notice of by the
said John Lawson in his last illness in testimony
whereof we have hereunto set our hands & seals
this the 19th day of March 1813.

John Lawson
Witness
John Lawson
made.

Taken before me Court Term 1813.

The Nuncupative Will of John Lawson of
which the foregoing is a true copy was duly proven
in open Court by the oath of John Lawson &
Patsy Lawson & ordered to be recorded.

Robt Williams CC
J. Tho. T. Armstrong Esq.