

In the name of God amen.

I, W. B. Joyce of the County of Stokes & State of North Carolina being of sound mind & memory but calling to mind the mortality of my body & knowing & knowing that it is once appointed for all men to die have made & caused & appointed this my last will and testament in manner & form as follows.

First. My will is that my wife Elizabeth Joyce shall be comfortably supported out of my Estate, that she shall keep & possess my present residence with all other necessary, including household & kitchen furniture, etc., a negro woman named Cain is wait upon her during her natural life or widowhood & my desire is that my Estate hereafter named shall have the management of & of her business. my wife's desire is that there shall be an equal division between all my legatees, namely Lemuel, William, James, Perrin, Hamilton & Calvin, daughters, Naomi, Fanny & Letitia. I give to my son Perrin Joyce one negro boy named Lewis. I give to my son Hamilton Joyce one negro boy named John. I give to my daughter Naomi one negro girl child named Amanda to them their heirs & assigns forever. My desire is that Hamilton & Calvin shall have each a feather bed & furniture, & as to respect my daughter Fanny England what is now demand her proportionable part is to be divided equally between the heirs of her body two sons when they arrive to twenty one years of age & living & if dead the sd part to be equally divided between all her brothers & sisters. My will is that my land & negroes & personal estate remains after the decease of myself & wife shall be sold at public auction & that the net amt. be equally distributed between the before named legatees. And the witness named W. B. Joyce as by these presents constitutes ordain & appoint Lemuel Joyce & Hamilton Joyce Executrix of this my last will & testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 16th day of July 1836.

W. B. Joyce
James Joyce
Perrin Joyce
Calvin Joyce

W. B. Joyce

December term 1836

The last will & testament of W. B. Joyce of which the foregoing is a true copy was duly proved in open Court by the oaths of Daniel Hudson, John Cannon, Floyd, Webb & H. Cridlow who swear that said will was in the hand writing of W. B. Joyce dec'd. he and others to be recorded.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 16th day of July 1836.

I John Sell of the County of Stokes & State of North Carolina being of sound mind & memory but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence do make & declare this my last will & testament in manner & form following that is to say.

First. That my Executor hereinafter named shall provide for my body a decent burial suitable to the worth of my relations & friends & pay all funeral expenses together with my just debts however and to

to may first come in to Estate.

Each Sell all my estate following bequeath to have a natural life may last & Greer now the wife of Executor within two years from belonging to my estate amount which I made to her advancements made to her in time according to my will now

or Sell all my estate left at the death of done to have & to hold to jointure forever.

Unto my trusty friend & intimate & purpose to according to the true intent and thereof thereby making statement by me heretofore to Sell as heretofore set Ad. 1834.

John Sell

	Hamilton Joyce	Bills	100.
4	Perrin Joyce	Bills	135.
5	William Joyce	Bills	
6	Calvin Joyce	Bills	
7	Naomi Rose	Bills	
8	Fanny England	Bills	22.
9	Lethile Bushloe	Bills	

The foregoing was read to the court & recd. to be executed as a part of the same

W. B. Joyce
Jno. H. Swain
Thompson Smith

December term 1836.

The Execution of the last will & testament of John Sell and of which the foregoing is a true copy was duly proved in open Court by the oaths of John H. Swain, Thompson Smith, subscribing witnesses thereto & ordered to be recorded.

Jno. H. Hill, exec