

Wake County

June Term 1777 -

Then was the within Inventory of the Estate of William Cardin Dec^d in Open Court duly proved and Ordered to be Recorded -

John Rice Clk.C?

Wake County

The within Inventory was Recorded in the Clerks Office of Wake County in Book A and pages (101) this 12th of July 1777 -

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June Term 1777 -

IN THE NAME OF GOD Amen I John Mays of Wake County and Province of North Carolina being in a low State of Health & Body but in perfect sence and Memory thanks be to God for the same and knowing that is apointed once for all men to die, doe make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament in form and manner follows That is to say after my decease for my Body to be Descently Buried at the discretion of my Executors not doubting but at the last day to receive the same again thro' the mighty Power of God; And as for such Worldly Goods wherewith it hath Pleased God to Bless me with do give and Bequeath as follows VIZ that after all my Just debts be paid I give and Bequeath to my Son James Mays a Negroe Boy Named Antho and a Negroe Girl Named Rachel to him the said James during his Natural Life and then to be equally (the Benefit) to be Divided among his Children then alive and them & their heirs forever. Item I give and bequeath to James Mays J^r my Granson Boy and to his Heirs forever One Negroe ~~Wench~~ Named Betty little George. Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Mary One Negroe Wench named Betty She and her

increase to wit Guy, Bob, and Hanner and future Increase to the said Mary to her and her Heirs forever Item I give and bequeath to my Son William Mays a Certain Tract or parcell of Land lying and being on the South side of Neuse River in Wake County Containing three hundred Acres more or less, together with a Negro fellow Named Phill, a Negroe Wench Named Kate She and her increase forever to wit Peter and future Increase, also a Negroe Boy named Sciped to him the said William the said Land and Negroes to him and his Heirs forever Item I give and bequeath unto my Son John Mays and his Heirs forever this Tract of Land whereon I now live Containing Six hundred Acres more or less, together I give unto the said John A Negroe Man Named Dick, a Negroe Girl named Beck & Negroe Girl named Cele, Harry a Negroe Boy them and their increase forever; be it further known it is my Will to bequeath one half of Profit arising from the fishing place and fishery to my Son William Mays to him his Heirs forever to have hold and Enjoy an equal part, that him s^d William and John Shall be Joint Proprietors thereof in all Profits arising therefrom; Item I give and bequeath to my beloved Wife Anne a Negroe Wench named Beneke a Negroe Wench named Sue, a Negroe Girl named Nelse a Negroe Man named Moses, a Negroe Child named Cloe, during her natural life, it is likewise my will and desire that all my Household Goods & Chattles real and personable my Stocks of Hoggs, Cattle, horse &c be equally divided between my Wife Anne my Son William John and my Daughter Mary

at the discretion of my Executors and an Estimate thereof to be remitted to my Children (to wit) William at the Age of Twenty One or Marriage also to John at the Age of Twenty one or Marriage as also to my Daughter Mary till her Marriage or her arising to the Age whereby the Law gives her Power to wrest it out of the Executors Management, furthermore it is my desire that after the decease of my Wife that the said above Mentioned Negroes and their increase shall be equally divided between my three Children (to wit) William John and Mary Mays and let it be remembered that there still remains unmentioned three Negroes (to wit) Old George, a Negro Child Moses, and Tom it is my desire and Will that the Negro fellow George are by my Executors to be Sold if need Requires to discharge my Debts, if the said William and John Mays together with the Executors Discharge without and if avoided Selling the Said Negro fellow , to be Valued by my Executors and Joint and equal division between the said William and John, and if any demur be between the sd Parties, the said Negroe by the Executors Sold to the highest bidder and Money to be divided between the said Parties (to wit) William Mays and John Mays and the other two Negroe children (to wit) Moses & Tom I give and bequeath as follows (to wit) I give unto my my Son William the said Negroe Child Tom to him and his Heirs forever, I give and bequeath unto my Son John the other Negroe Child named Moses to him and his Heirs forever, I further manifest to whome it may Concern that is my Will and desire that my

Beloved Wife Anne shall and I hereby give and bequeath unto her a full right and Dower of free Possession without hindrance Molestation on the Plantation whereon I now live during her Life I do furthermore Revoke and disannul all other Will or Wills and writs and Testaments whatsoever & Acknowledge and Revoke all others and Ratifie & Confirm this to be my last Will and Testament & do appoint and Constitute & appoint my Well beloved Wife Anne Mays and my beloved Friend Thomas Crawford to be my Executors to this my Will and Testament IN WITNESS whereof I hereunto set my Hand and affixed my Seal this 13th day of November Anno Dom One thousand Seven hundred and Seventy three -

Signed Sealed and Delivered)
in Presence of -)

John Mays (SEAL)

Abigail Spain
Elizabeth Crawford
Michael Rogers
John Spain (Jurat)

Wake County

June Term 1777

Then was the within last Will and Testament of John Mays Dec^d in open Court duly proved by the Oath of John Spain a Witness thereto and Ordered to be Recorded

John Rice Clk. C^o

Wake County

The within last Will & Testament was Recorded in the Clerks Office of Wake County in Book A and pages (102) this 12th day of July 1777 -

John Rice Clk.C^o

Wake County

Sep^r Term 1777 -

An Inventory of the Estate of John Mays Dec^d - (to wit)
 25 Negroes, 900 Acres of Land, 3 Head of Horses, 19 Head
 of Cattle, 9 Head of Hoggs, 10 Head of Sheep, 3 Beds and
 Furniture, 4 Potts, 2 Chests, 1 Chest of Drawers, 3
 Tables a parcle of Old Chairs, a parcell of Pewter, 2
 Gunns, 2 Pistols a parcell of knives & forks, 1 frying
 pan, 1 Tea pott, 1 Coffee Pott, 1 Glass Crewett, 1 Spice
 Morter, 4 Juggs, 1 Candlestick & Snuffers, 2 p^r of Sis-
 sers, 5 p^r knitting needles, a parcell of Books, a par-
 cell of Earthenwear, 1 Comb, 1 p^r Money Scales, 1 Mark-
 ing Iron, 1 Search, 1 Iron Kettle, 1 Copper Kettle, 1 p^r
 of Spoon Moldes, 1 Pitcher, parcell of bottles 1 Cannes-
 ter, 5 Bills, 2 Looking Glasses, 1 Desk, 1 Corner Cup-
 board, 1 Crosscut saw, 1 whip saw, 1 Handsaw, 1 Hammer a
 parcell of Cooper Tools, 1 Watch, 4 Axes, a parcell of
 hoes, 1 Raisor & Hone, 1 Strap, 1 p^r Shott Moles, 2 Box-
 irons & heaters 1 Iron pestle, 1 Gaging rod, an Old p^r
 Steliards, 1 Iron Skillet, 2 p^r Cart Wheels, 1 p^r Trases,
 a parcell of Geese, a parcell of Dunghill fowls, a piece
 of Steel, 1 Hogshead a parcell of Casks 1 fish Sane, 1 Gun
 Barrell, 1 Iron pott rack, 1 Grindstone, 3 Watre pails, a
 parcell of Old wooden ware, 1 Spitt, a p^r fleshforks, 2
 Beehives, 3 linnen Wheels, 1 Wool Wheel, 4 Slays, 3 Gold
 Rings, 1 Mans Saddle 1 Stock Buckle, 1 Old Sword, 1 Stone
 Mugg, 1 Qt^r Pott, 2 Pint Potts, set of Iron Wedges, 1 frow,
 1 foot Adds, 1 Auger 1 Hackle, 1 Drawing knife, 1 Candle-
 stick, 1 Great Coat - and his other Apparell -

Ann Sims Executrix

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Wake County

Sep^r Term 1777

Then was the within Inventory returned, duly proved and Ordered to be Recorded -

John Rice Clk. C^y

Recorded in the Clerks Office of Wake County in Book A & page (117) this 10th of Sep^r A D 1777 -

John Rice Clk. C^y

Wake County

Sep^r Term 1777

A Just Inventory of the Estate of Edward Mobley Deceased (to wit)

300 Acres of Land and Improvement Adjoining 7 Negroes, 58 Head of Hoggs, 18 Head of Cattle, 4 Head of Horses and Mares, 21 Geese, 3 feather Beds with some furniture, 1 Desk, 4 Trunks, 1 p^r Cartwheels, 2 Chests 2 Guns, 1 Gun Barrell, 1 p^r Steliards, 6 Sides of taned leather, 1 Raw Hide, 3 Saws, A large Quantity of Corn 2 Hh^{ds} and a parcell of Tobacco, 3 Potts, a parcell of Pewter 2 flax Wheels, 1 Cotton Wheel, 2 Bedsteads, 2 Saddles 2 Bridles & 1 Houson, some knives & forks, 2 Sifters 1 Search, a parcell Planters tools, some tea ware 4 Chairs a parcell Earthen ware, 2 Wheat sives, 1 p^r Money Scales, parcell of Bottles & Vials, 3 Raisors 2 Strops & 1 Hone, 1 looking Glass, 3 Bells & Collars a parcell old Blades, parcell Nails, 6 Books, 1 Sugar Box, 1 Lanthern, 1 tin funnell, 2 Candlesticks 1 Salt Seller, Quantity Cotton & flax, 1 Inkstand 1 p^r Shoe Buckles, some knee Buckles, Hh^d Oats parcell Wheat, 1 Loom, parcell Carpenters tools 1 p^r Cotton Cards, 2 Gun locks, 1 Grindstone 1 Cock, a parcell Coopers tools, 1 Branding Iron, some Ropes a Box of Wafers, 14½ W^t Iron, p^r Fire-tongs parcell wooden ware, parcell Plank, p^r Wedges, parcell of

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