

TIGHT BINDING

Thomas Biddle Will

In the Name of God Amen

I Thomas Biddle ser. of the County of Washington & State of Virginia being sick & weak of body but of sound mind & disposing Memory for which I thank God & my friends to witness of my worldly substance that I have been blessed with I do in this after disposing of expenses of a decent and Christian funeral of my body and payment of all my just debts & debts to my friends I bequeath to the heirs of my son Thomas Biddle his heirs John Biddle & his wife James Biddle the tract of land whereon Thomas Biddle built a house & other improvements totaling twenty five acres also a part of my old tract lying between Samuel Biddle Thomas Biddle & the first mentioned tract of twenty five acres beginning at Samuel Biddle's corner that lies but with the same line near the state house a corner of Samuel Biddle's land there above to branch to a post oak near the spring on the North side of the branch a corner of a meadow of fifteen acres there with the lines of land entry to Lucy Humphreys lies included of fifteen acres also a meadow of thirty five acres made Survey by the forenamed Surveyor a few feet & the first mentioned twenty five acre Survey in all appears to be nearly acres of or more & the said nearly acres to be for the use of Elizabeth Biddle during her widowhood after her Marriage to be rented and the proceeds to be applied equal for the use of the heirs of Thomas Biddle & his family John Biddle & James Biddle etc & the household furniture that I purchased at Constable's sale. The property of my son Thomas Biddle & all my that I have against the estate of my son Thomas Biddle or both amounts I bequeath to my daughter in law Elizabeth Biddle for her use during her natural life & after her death to be for the use of her heirs test. Marriages - Item I bequeath to my daughter Lucy Biddle the following tract of land beginning at a double white oak on Lucy Humphreys line in a Valley near the east corner of the field the new ground that Robert Strain helped to clear there with the fence to a Spanish oak near the south corner of said fence there with the junction fence to the lane. There along the lane toward the house side it comes to an Elm tree with the fence round the lot including the lot and a improvement that Robert Strain made on plot cornering at a Mulberry in the corner of the Biddle's house with the Biddle fence running up towards the road the course of said fence a straight line till it strikes Samuel Biddle's line there with said line to the corner on Thomas Braxton line there with said Braxton's line to the corner of Lucy Humphreys line with said Humphreys line to the beginning of & appears to be forty five acres or more. The remaining tract of my land I bequeath to my only beloved wife Sarah Biddle for her use and to dispose as she may think proper item I bequeath to each of my sons (now) James Biddle John Biddle Samuel Biddle one acre each to be had and ear after my decease Item I give & bequeath to each of my daughters (now) Elizabeth Hall Peggy Campbell one dollar each to be paid year after my decease Lastly I command & appoint my son James Biddle & my wife Sarah Biddle executors & executrix of this my last will & testament reserving all my rights & legacies in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & twenty six & half on the fifth day of January under my hand & seal

Thomas Biddle ^{his} Seal.

In presence of us the foregoing will was proven in court by the Oaths of Jacob Whittle & John Biddle & George Gray two of the subscribers witness thereto at April 1826 & now to witness M. Gray & James Biddle qualified as executors to the foregoing will

Henry Nelson Will

In the Name of God Amen

I Henry Nelson of Washington County in the State of North Carolina
Loving Men & Women my executors but failing to name the Mortality of men so make this my last will and testament in manner following (1826) witness I Begueth my land lying on Turkey Creek in said County there having I right acres to my beloved wife Jane Nelson & Henry Nelson my sons to be equally divided among them the part or share each of them now lies to be allotted to them and it is my will that my ten children do live with my said wife while she lives & together increase her part of said land to appertain unto him and his heirs and I Bequeath my young Enoch Nelson & Moody to appertain unto my said wife during his lifetime and after his decease Moody to appertain to my son John & his wife Enoch & Dennis to appertain to my son Charles my Major boy Noah to appertain to my wife during her lifetime and at her decease to my grand son Joe Nelson and my grand son Tom to appertain to my grand daughter Nancy Nelson after my wife's decease and I will that my Movables estate do appertain to my wife during her lifetime and at her decease to her children divided among them & Henry John & Charles my sons & Lemire my daughter and Shirley Breen & my son William & his wife Hattie starting in debt to set them off from having any further claim upon my estate said & personal and I Begueth all my Money that shall appertain unto me at my death or that shall be due to me by bond or otherwise to be brought to appertain to my son Charles he paying all my just debts and taxes founds to my son John & his wife Shirley & Charles to appertain my sons John and Charles executors of this my last will & Testament In witness whereof I have signed set my hand and seal and attested all former wills made by me this second day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty five signed sealed pronounced & declared to be the last will & Testament of the testator in the presence of

James Pease

William Wood

Isaac Denton} The foregoing will was proven in Court by the Oaths of Isaac Denton and William two of the subscribers witness thereto at April 1826 & recorded John Nelson qualified as the executor of the foregoing will

Wilkies Young will

April 8th 1824. I Wilkies Young as my death cometh & leave my part of the land to my Mother during my life & at her death to my Sister Louisa White & after her death to her children of my death I will & bear all my money to my Mother to divide as she prefereth I leave my Mother executor of all I have got I Wilkies Young do bequeath unto William Cowen my love more to satisfy a debt that I owe him my hand & seal to this

Wilkies Young Seal

James W Young

Elijah Brown

William H Young

The foregoing will was proven in court by the Oaths of James W Young
Elijah Brown two of the subscribers witness thereto at April 1826 & recorded
April 1826 & witnessed Police Officer giving a certificate