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### 034--Dobbs County

Formed 1758 from the eastern portion of Johnston County. It was abolished in 1791 when Glasgow (Greene) and Lenoir counties were formed. Lenoir County succeeded to the records of Dobbs County. and they were destroyed when the Lenoir County courthouse burned in 1878 and 1880. The wills cited as from Dobbs County are from the secretary of state wills or certified copies filed in another county.

### 035--Duplin County

Formed 1750 from New Hanover County. Recording of wills in separate will books began in 1830. The record book containing wills for the period 1835-1845 is missing. although approximately 50 original wills for that period have survived. At a later date. surviving unrecorded wills proved before 1830 and filed in the clerk's office were entered in a record book identified as will Book A. These generally include wills proved before the county court between about 1760 and 1830. although a few wills probated later than 1830 were included. Some very early wills (1750-1766) were recorded in early registers which remained in Sampson County when it was created from Duplin in 1784; these record books are now identified as Sampson County Deed Books 1. 2. and 3 and are so noted in entries for Duplin County.

### 036--Durham County

Formed 1881 from Orange and Wake Counties. Recording of wills began immediately. and there has been no significant loss of records. As of April 1. 1986, all original wills were in the custody of the Durham County clerk of superior court.

### 037--Edgecombe County

Formed 1741 from Bertie County. Recording of wills began in 1760. The original wills for 1884 and 1885 are missing; with this exception. there has been no significant loss of records in the county. Most of the wills that were not recorded (as indicated by "Orig. Only" in the "Recorded Copy" column) were not accepted by the county court and thus were never probated.

### 038--Forsyth County

Formed 1849 from Stokes County. There has been no significant loss of either recorded or original wills of the county. Many of the wills proved in Stokes County before 1849 were for testators who lived in that portion of the county that became Forsyth.

### 039--Franklin County

Formed 1779 from Bute County. Although recording of wills appears to have started with formation of the county. neither the registered copy nor the original will. in many instances. show the probate date. Until 1868 wills were recorded with other estate documents such as inventories. reports of sale. and division of real and personal property in registers that are now identified as will books. Will Books O and P were relabeled "Record of Accounts" after they were copied; the originals of these two volumes are in the State Archives in the estates classification of records of the county. Will Book P contains no wills; there is no Will Book T. Although there has

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been no significant loss of records of the county. some of the original wills are missing.

#### **040--Gaston County**

Formed 1846 from Lincoln County. A courthouse fire in December. 1874. resulted in the destruction of some records. The will books appear to be complete. but some of the early original wills are missing.

#### **041--Gates County**

Formed 1779 from Chowan. Hartford. and Perquimans counties. Recording of wills began immediately. and there has been no significant loss of either recorded or original wills of the county.

#### **042--Glasgow County**

Formed 1791 from Dobbs County. Name changed to Greene County in 1799. No records of Glasgow County are known to have survived.

#### **043--Graham County**

Formed 1872 from Cherokee County. Recording of wills appears to have started about 1886. but virtually none of the original wills survived.

#### **044--Granville County**

Formed 1746 from Edgecombe County. Surviving will record books date from 1772. although original wills that were probated at an earlier date indicate that they were recorded. After 1772 there has been no significant loss of either recorded or original wills of the county. As of June 1, 1985, all original wills were in the custody of the Granville County clerk of superior court.

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Name	Co.	Date	Recorded Copy	Original
Bryan, Riddick	071	1888	WB-7/24	AR
Bryan, Rigdon	035	1793	WB-A/11	AR
Bryan, Robert	047	1774	063 WB-1/444	
Bryan, Robert B.	104	1890	WB-6/379	AR
Bryan, Rosa	037	1850	Orig. Only	AR
Bryan, Samuel	056	1807	WB-1/195	AR
Bryan, Samuel	085	c1798	WB-D/121	AR
Bryan, Sarah	028	1796	WB-B/12	AR
Bryan, Shadrach	004	1883	WB-A/60	AR
Bryan, Simon	010	1753	SS 878/207	SS/AR
Bryan, Smith	037	1811	WB-E/14	AR
Bryan, Susan	037	1858	WB-G/156	AR
Bryan, Susanna	022	1897	WB-F/48	AR
Bryan, Susanna	087	1865	WB-2/88	AR
Bryan, Thomas	010	1789	WB-D/98	AR
Bryan, Thomas	011	c1786	WB-1/456	
Bryan, Thomas	011	1767	DB-36/303	
Bryan, Thomas	028	1760	Orig. Only	AR
Bryan, Thomas	037	1785	WB-C/16	AR
Bryan, Thomas	071	1794	WB-2/44	AR
Bryan, Thomas	072	c1779	RW/L10	AR
Bryan, Thomas	104	1863	WB-5/353	
Bryan, Thomas N		c1760	Orig. Only	SS/AR
Bryan, Ursilla	017	1891	WB-B/201	AR
Bryan, W. R., Sr.	045	1893	WB-1/274	AR
Bryan, Wealthy	057	1855	WB-B/227	AR
Bryan, Willie	071	1895	WB-7/289	AR
Bryan, William	012	1833	WB-B/163	AR
Bryan, William	012	c1867	WB-B/22	AR
Bryan, William	028	1811	WB-C/31	AR
Bryan, William	028	1747	SS 877/27	SS/AR
Bryan, William	028	1791	WB-A/242	AR
Bryan, William	028	1771	Orig. Only	AR
Bryan, William	037	1797	WB-D/33	AR
Bryan, William	056	1821	WB-1/439	AR
Bryan, William	056	c1780	Orig. Only	AR
Bryan, William	071	1770	WB-1/187	
Bryan, William	085	c1780	WB-B/36	AR
Bryan, William	LA	1846	Copy	071 AR
Bryan, William A.	071	1892	WB-7/159	AR
Bryan, William C.	074	1879	103 WB-2/160	103 AR
Bryan, William C.	074	1879	WB-1/55	AR
Bryan, William G.	028	1888	WB-E/467	AR
Bryan, William P.	079	c1872	Orig. Only	AR
Bryan, William S.	010	c1858	WB-H/108	AR
Bryan, Zeporah	063	c1792	WB-1/204	
Bryant, Arthur	103	1811	RD-1/337	AR
Bryant, Beneter	070	1852	WB-C/540	AR

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Bryant, Benjamin	072	c1823	WB-A/3	AR
Bryant, Berry	082	1900	WB-7/53	AR
Bryant, Clarky	071	1793	WB-2/24	AR-Nunc.
Bryant, Elizabeth	005	1894	WB-D/351	AR
Bryant, Eveline	032	1891	WB-4/111	AR

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Bryant, Evin	037	1810	WB-E/1	AR
Bryant, Faithey	037	1804	WB-D/210	AR
Bryant, can;	037	1793	WB-C/240	AR
Bryant, George A.	106	1881	WB-2/156	
Bryant, H. N.	076	1894	WB-A1/177	CTY
Bryant, Harriet	065	1900	WB-N/376	AR
Bryant, Henry T.	035	1897	WB-4/506	AR
Bryant, Jacob	035	1828	WB-A/34	AR
Bryant, Jacob	083	1871	WB-3/31	AR
Bryant, James	010	1734	Orig. Only	SS/AR
Bryant, James S.	047	1894	WB-7/136	AR
Bryant, Jesse	010	1775	WB-B/42	AR
Bryant, John	030	1803	WB-2/222	
Bryant, John	037	1735	LGB-4/#4	SS/AR
Bryant, John	071	1788	WB-1/382	AR
Bryant, John	081	1791	WB-1/107	
Bryant, John B.	099	1888	WB-B/256	AR
Bryant, Joseph	063	1898	WB-4/221	AR
Bryant, Mary McLean	100	1858	WB-49/169	AR
Bryant, Miles	051	1900	WB-C/567	AR
Bryant, Nedom	047	1785	WB-3/89	AR
Bryant, Nicholas	019	1766	RB-A/22	AR
Bryant, Obediah	022	1800	WB-A/31	
Bryant, Peter	092	1804	WB-3/64	AR
Bryant, Ransom A.	089	1875	WB-2/27	AR
Bryant, Richard	071	1855	WB-5/136	AR
Bryant, Robert	056	c1760	WB-1/767	AR
Bryant, Remand	044	1843	WB-15/485	CTY
Bryant, Ruffin L.	099	1865	RB-33/482	AR
Bryant, Samuel	069	c1791	WB-1/236	AR
Bryant, Susan	069	1865	WB-1/593	AR
Bryant, Thomas	069	c1848	WB-1/531	AR
Bryant, Thomas	096	1860	WB-3/59	AR
Bryant, William	011	1855	WB-1/246	
Bryant, William	037	1763	WB-A/114	AR
Bryant, William	037	1761	WB-A/77	AR
Bryant, William	037	1749	Orig. Only	SS/AR
Bryant, William	047	1762	WB-1/79	
Bryant, William	056	1789	WB-1/18	AR
Bryant, William	059	1826	WB-1/340	AR
Bryant, William	071	1785	WB-1/350	AR
Bryant, William B.	069	1861	WB-1/571	AR
Bryant, William J.	069	1872	WB-1/616	AR
Bryant, William S.	037	1887	WB-H/100	AR
Bryce, (Brice), Maggie	065	1899	WB-N/236	AR
Bryce, Marie L.	065	1900	RIB-W326	AR
Bryce, Peter	AL	1892	028 WB-F/432	
Bryer, Benjamin	010	1789	024 WB-A/224	024 AR

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Bryson, A. S.	061	1900	Copy	049 AR
Bryson, A. S.	061	1900	WB-2/267	AR
Bryson, Andrew	055	1884	WB-A/66	
Bryson, Ann J.	065	1864	WB-J/186	AR
Bryson, Daniel G.	055	1900	WB-A/182	