Interrogatories proposed by **ROBERT ROBINSON**, executor of **WILLIAM ORR**.

Int. 1<sup>st</sup> Do you know of any receipt or find discharge given by **WILLIAM NEAL** or **CATHARINE ARTHURS** in favor of **WILLIAM ORR**, deceased, as executor of the estate of **ROBERT ARTHURS** are guardian of **CATHARINE ARTHURS**.

Ans. I do. That about the month of July in the year 1795 he was desired to write a receipt in favor of **WILLIAM ORR**, which he did in these words or in substance as near as he can recollect. XXX received from **WILLIAM ORR**, executor, of my father's estate in full of all debts and demands against said estate per me – which receipt was signed in my presence but whether by **CATHARINE ARTHURS** or **WILLIAM NEAL** he does not know or recollect but rather expect that it was signed by said **WILLIAM NEAL**.

#### **GEORGE ALLEN**

Subscribed and signed the day and year above mentioned in my presence.

NATHANIEL ALEXANDER, JP

State of North Carolina Mecklenburg County

Court of pleas and quarter sessions

### ISAAC and wife and others Legatees under the will of WILLIAM ORR deceased

vs

JAMES WILSON and ROBERT ROBERTSON executors of said WILLIAM ORR

Petition for legacies and distribution of testator's estate.

It having been ordered by the Worshipful Court that this case be refined and report made stating to what sum the petitioners are each respectively entitled. The following report is respectively submitted.

By the last will and testament of **WILLIAM ORR** it is directed that in the want of the marriage of his widow a certain negro girl named ZILPHA should be sold and the proceeds of such sale equally divided among his children eight in number. It is further directed that certain other Negroes and a tract of land should be sold for the purpose of raising legacies for his daughters, to wit the sum of sixty pounds for each of his daughters **PATSY [ORR]**, **CATHARINE [ORR]** and **AGNES [ORR]** and the sum of one hundred pounds for his three youngest daughters **PRUDENCE [ORR]**, **DORCAS [ORR]**, and **ISABELLA [ORR]**.

The widow married and on the third of January in the year eighteen hundred the Negroes ZILPHA and her child were sold for the sum of five hundred and thirty one dollars due in twelve months. This sum is subject to be divided into eight parts to one of which each of the testator's children is entitled, to wit the six daughters already mentioned, his daughter **MILDRED** [ORR], the wife of AMOS **ALEXANDER**, and his son JONATHAN [ORR]. So that each legatee is entitled to receive from the sale of ZILPHA and her child the sum of sixty six dollars and thirty seven and a half cents with interest from the third of January eighteen hundred and one to the third of June eighteen hundred and seventeen, amounting principal & interest on that day to the sum of one hundred and thirty one dollars and seventy five cents each.

On the 15<sup>th</sup> of February 1816 the amount of the sale of the land principal and interest was four hundred and ten dollars, which sum together with the balance of the un-disbursed assets in the hands of the executors allowing commissions is all that remains to discharge the legacies to the six daughters.

The amount of assets which came to the hands of the executors bearing interest from the third of January 1801 including the price of ZILPHA and child was eight hundred and eighty seven dollars & eighty seven and one half cents. By a settlement made with a committee of the court in February 1812 [1802] and by other evidences now adduced it appears that the executors are entitled to be audited by disbursements and commissions amounting to seven hundred and fifty nine dollars and seventy four cents leaving a balance in their hands of one hundred and twenty eight dollars and thirteen and one half cents. The interest on this sum from the third of January 1801 to the third of June 1817 is one hundred and twenty six dollars and twenty six

and a half cents making principal & interest tow hundred and fifty four dollars and forty cents. The amount in the hands of executors from the sale of land deducting commissions is in principal & interest four hundred and twenty dollars. This sum together with the balance of assets from other sales amounting together to six hundred and seventy four dollars and forty cents is all that is subject to pay the legacies aforesaid; but as it is insufficient to pay the amount of all legacies they have been reduced in proportion they respecting bear to the sum on hand, by which it appears that the three elder daughters **PATSY**, **CATHARINE** and **AGNES** instead of sixty pounds can only claim seventy four dollars and ninety cents; and the three younger daughter **PRUDENCE**, **DORCAS** and **ISABELLA** must be content with one hundred and forty dollars and forty five cents instead of one hundred pounds.

On the annexed that I have presented an account by which it will appear that there is due:

To **DORCAS**, the wife of **JOSEPH C**. **JOHNSON**, the sum of seventy dollars and thirty five cents to **PRUDENCE**, the wife of **JOHN MCKEE** the sum of sixty nine dollars.

To **ISABELLA ORR** the sum of sixteen dollars and fifty four cents.

That **ISAAC CAMPBELL** has xxx beyond his share or is indebted to the executors over and above his share in right of his wife the sum of eleven dollars and twenty two & a half cents.

That **AMOS ALEXANDER** is in like manner indebted in the sum of eleven dollars and seven cents.

That **NANCY** the wife of xxx **YOUNG** is in like manner indebted in the sum of one hundred and eleven dollars and thirty three and a third cents.

That **JONATHAN ORR** is in like manner indebted in the sum of one hundred and twenty two dollars and thirty eight cents.

As respects the costs of this petition , under this view of the subject, the subscriber concurs it equitable that the costs shall be paid equally by the parties who first preferred the same and the executors, **JAMES WILSON** and **ROBERT ROBINSON**.

All what is respectfully submitted.

EDWIN JAY OSBORNE

The executors of WILLIAM ORR, deceased, to JOSEPH C. JOHNSON & wife ... The executors of WILLIAM ORR, deceased, to JONATHAN MCKEE & wife ... The executors of WILLIAM ORR, deceased, to ISABELLA ORR ... JONATHAN ORR to the executors of WILLIAM ORR, deceased ... AMOS ALEXANDER to the executors of WILLIAM ORR, deceased ... ISAAC CAMPBELL to the executors of WILLIAM ORR, deceased ... NANCY YOUNG to the executors of WILLIAM ORR, deceased ... EDWIN JAY OSBORN

Twelve months after date we or either of us do promise to pay unto **ROBERT ROBISON** or **JAMES WILSON** as executors of **WILLIAM ORR**, deceased, their heirs or assigns the sum of two pounds six shillings and that for value received as witness our hands and seals this third of January 1800.

HUGH DODD ROBERT SHIELDS

Test, JOHN DAVIS

State of North Carolina

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that **SAMUEL HARRIS** Sr. and **ROBERT ROBISON**, esquire are held and firmly bound unto **THOMAS GUN**, esquire, and the rest of the Justices assigned to keep the peace for Mecklenburg county, in the just and full sum of two hundred pounds, current money of the said state, to be paid to the said **THOMAS GUN** or their successors: to the which payment well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

Sealed with our seals, and dated this 24<sup>th</sup> day of April, Anno Domini 1810.

WHEREAS the above bounden **SAMUEL HARRIS** hath been this day, by the worshipful court of said county, appointed Guardian to **ISABELLA ORR** orphan of **WILLIAM ORR** deceased.

NOW the condition of the above obligation is such, that if the said **SAMUEL HARRIS**, Guardian as aforesaid, shall well and truly discharge his said guardianship, by taking care of and improving all the estate belonging to the said orphan; and shall also settle his guardianship accounts with the court of said county, as is required by law; and that he will deliver up to the said **ISABELLA ORR** orphan as aforesaid, when he shall attain lawful age, all such estate as he ought of right to be possessed of, or sooner if required, agreeable to the true intent and meaning of the act of the General Assembly in such case made and provided; then this obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

SAMUEL HARRIS {seal}
ROBERT ROBISON {seal}

Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of

ISAAC ALEXANDER

State of North Carolina

KNOW all men by these presents, that **SAMUEL HARRIS** and **GEORGE STAFFORD** are held and firmly bound unto **NATHANIEL ALEXANDER**, **CHARLES J**. **ALEXANDER** esquires, and the rest of the Justices assigned to keep the peace for Mecklenburg county, in the just and full sum of one thousand pounds, current money of the said state, to be paid to the said justices heirs, executors, administrators or assigns: to the which payment well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, and every of us, our and each of hour heirs, executors, and administrators, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

Sealed with our seals, and dated this 29<sup>th</sup> day of July Anno Domini 1800.

WHEREAS the above bounden **SAMUEL HARRIS** hath been this day, by the worshipful court of said county, appointed Guardian to **JONATHAN ORR** orphan of **WILLIAM ORR** deceased.

NOW the condition of the above obligation is such, that if the said **SAMUEL HARRIS**, Guardian as aforesaid, shall well and truly discharge his said guardianship, by taking care of and improving all the estate belonging to the said orphan; and shall also settle his guardianship accounts with the court of said county, as is required by law; and that he will deliver up to the said **JONATHAN ORR** orphan as aforesaid, when he shall attain lawful age, all such estate as he ought of right to be possessed of, or sooner if required, agreeable to the true intent and meaning of the act of the General Assembly in such case made and provided; then this obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

SAMUEL HARRIS {seal}
GEORGE STAFFORD {seal}

Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of

ISAAC ALEXANDER

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