

**Will Abs, NC, Caswell, 1777-1814**

CASWELL COUNTY  
NORTH CAROLINA  
WILL BOOKS  
1777-1814

1784 Tax List  
Guardians' Accounts 1794-1819

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1 ROBERT JOHNSTON (Johnson on original)- Will \_ w, 12 Aug. 1783.  
Sons William, John, Robert, George, Benjamin. Philip; daughters  
Elizabeth Stuart. Judah Weake; Wife Frances; other children  
Lucy, Eliza, Dolla, Salley, Milly, Hampton, Phaney, Richard.  
Exec: wife and son Philip, and John Eakin, Thomas Cole.

Wit: John Jackson, Sarah Rust.

2 ROBERT ATKINSON -Will - w. 7 June 1783. (From original)  
Sons John, Ransom; daughters Patsy, Mary, Aney, Jane, Sarah;  
Exec: sons John and Ransom, Joseph Moseley; Wit: Charles Taylor,  
Edmond Browning, Richard Arvin.

3&4 Missing. The will of Robert Atkinson was partly on page 3.

5 Inv. estate Samuel Farmer.

6 Inv. estate of Peter Savory by Robert Dickens, adm.

6 Indenture: James Shearman, orphan of 5 years, to Alexander Wiley.

7 Jane Harrison, orphan of 11, apprentice to Chalton Ingram.

8 Sarah Harrison, orphan of 8, apprentice to John Miles.

9 Edward Upton and Jane his wife, bind her son William Long, a  
mulatto, to Samuel Bracken. Wit: Thomas Brooks, Thomas Rice.

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10 John Harrison, orphan of 6 years, apprentice to William Morgan.

12 Bill of Sale: **JOHN BRYANT** to Benjamin Hubbard, Sen.  
Test: Jonathan Low.

12 Obligation: **JOHN BRYANT** obligates himself to Hathey Shearman.  
"If Hathey Shearman marry **BRYANT**, he agrees to give her and her  
heirs land and premises where he now lives". Wit: Benjamin  
Hubbard, Jonathan Low.

13 Power of attorney: **JOHN BRYANT** to Benjamin Hubbard to convey land  
on South Fork Country Line Cr. adj. William Sanders, Thomas  
Graves, Jonathan Low. /s/ **JOHN BRYANT, HATHEY BRYANT,**

14 Bill of sale: Joel Pope of Granville Co. to John Womack for one  
negro woman and child. Wit: John Tapley, Margret Tapley,

15 Power of attorney: John Ogletree to John Atkinson (to attend to  
all business and premises). 5 Nov. 1783. Wit: A. E. Murphey,

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John Chambers.

- 16 Power of attorney: Miles Duncan to John Ogletree. 13 Feb. 1783.  
Power granted to John Atkinson by Ogletree. 5 Nov. 1783.
- 17 Inv. estate of Robert Johnston by Francis Johnston, exec.
- 18 JAMES PAINE - Will - w. 4 Mar. 1782. Son William and Jean d. of William; son Robert and James son of Robert; son James Jr, and John son Of James Jr.; son John and daughters Rebecca, Molly, and Nancey; Exec: sons John and Robert. Wit: John Clayton and Elizabeth Clayton.
- 18 Tax assessment for 1783.
- 19 Tax collected for building court house.
- 19 Marriage contract of John Cooper(widower) and Mary Gibson(widow).  
Cooper will not interfere with her disposal of her property to her children and will make no claim on it. 10 July 1782. Wit;  
John Anthony, Thomas Douglass.

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- 20 List of estate of Robert Atkinson returned by Joseph Mosely.