

Will, NC, Wake Christopher Woodward 1785

CHRISTOPHER WOODWARD of Wake County and State of North Carolina, being well in health and perfect memory, do make, constitute and ordain this to be my last will and testament in manner and form following, vis:

ITEM I give unto my son **JORDAN WOODWARD** all my land that lieth on the east side of Camp Branch and from the mouth of said branch a direct course to the giving line, also three cows & calves, to him and his heirs forever.

ITEM I give unto my **CORBELL WOODWARD** all my land that lieth between Camp and Ready Branch and from the mouth of said Ready Branch down the various courses of Middle Creek to the first drain which empties into said creek on the south side up said drain to **THOMAS DRIVER**'s line, also three cows and calves, to him and his heirs forever.

ITEM I give unto **PLEASANTS WOODWARD**, my son, my mill and plantation where I now live, also three cows and calves or yearlings, to him and his heirs forever, also my riding horse & saddle forever.

ITEM I give unto my son **RICHARD WOODWARD** one hundred acres of land including the Dutchman's field, also an entry of land containing three hundred and forty acres including the old field which lieth on the south prong of Middle Creek, also one bed and furniture, also ten pounds worth of cattle, also ten pounds specie, to him and his heirs forever.

ITEM I give unto my son **JAMES WOODWARD** all my land that lieth on the drains of Crabtree Creek, also three hundred acres of woodling land which I purchased of **WILLIAM HARVIL** which land lying and being on both sides of Lick Branch, also my still and twenty five pounds in specie to him and his heirs forever.

ITEM I give unto my daughter **ELIZABETH WOODWARD** one bed and furniture, also seventy pounds specie to her and her heirs forever.

ITEM I give unto my daughter **MARY WOODWARD** eighty pounds specie to her and her heirs forever.

ITEM My outstanding debts to be collected and **ELIZABETH [WOODWARD]** and **MARY WOODWARD** legacies to be first paid up and the balance thereof and all the rest of my estate which is not given above be sold and equally divided between the above mentioned sons and daughters, vis:

JORDAN, CORBELL, PLEASANTS, RICHARD, JAMES, ELIZABETH and MARY.

ITEM I do constitute and appoint my son **JORDAN WOODWARD** and also **ETHELDRED JONES** executors of this my last will and testament.

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In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this twenty seventh day of August Anno Domini 1784.

CHRISTOPHER WOODWARD {seal}

Witness

LEWIS JONES {his + mark, jurat}

LEVI JONES {jurat}

ETHELDRED JONES {jurat}

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North Carolina
Wake County

September term 1785

The execution of the within will was duly proved in open court by the oaths of **LEWIS JONES** and **ETHELDRED JONES**, witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded.

HENRY LANE WKCo

Recorded in the clerk's office of Wake County in book B and pages 66 & c. this 25th day of October Anno Domini 1785

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