

**Probate, NC, Craven, Jacob Jernigan 1795**

**SILAS JERNIGAN & WIFE**

VS

**JACOB JERNIGAN SENIOR**

Administrator of **JACOB JERNIGAN JUNIOR**

Petition for dist. Share

filed March Term 1795

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State of North Carolina  
District of Newbern

To the honorable the judges of the superior court for the District aforesaid.

The petition of **SILAS JERNIGAN** and **ZILPHA** his wife of Wayne County, humbly sheweth that sometime in the year 1776 **JACOB JERNIGAN JUNIOR**, of Bertie County, died there intestate, leaving no issue but the said **ZILPHA**, who was his daughter.

That the said **JACOB** was at the time of his death possessed of a large and valuable personal estate, consisting of stocks of cattle, hogs, horses, monies, notes, debts, and perishable property to the amount of one thousand pounds, or some other large sum, that the same came to the hands of **JACOB JERNIGAN SENIOR** who was father of the said **JACOB JERNIGAN JUNIOR**, and whom administration was granted by the county court of Bertie of the goods & chattels, rights & credit of the said **JACOB JERNIGAN JUNIOR**.

Your petitioner further says that great part of the said personal estate was sold by the said administrator, and this proved to a very large amount collected and received by him, and that great sums still remain in his hands, due to the said petitioners, to wit two hundred pounds, as appears by the accounts of the said **JACOB JERNIGAN SENIOR** himself, returned to the said County Court of Bertie, which sums this said **JACOB JERNIGAN SENIOR** has neglected to pay to your petitioners, both the said **ZILPHA** when single and to the said **SILAS** since his intermarriage with her which took place on the 18th day of April in the year 1793. Though no debts now exist, or have for many years existed against said estate, and as the said **JACOB JERNIGAN JUNIOR** at his deceased had no wife, the whole of his said estate, by law, and if right, as your petitioners are informed, belong to the petitioners.

Wherefore they pray that the said **JACOB JERNIGAN SENIOR** may be legally summoned to appear before your honors to answer this petition and that he be adjudged and decreed to pay your petitioners what is justly due to them of the aforesaid estate.

And they will ever pray.

**SILAS JERNIGAN**  
**ZILPHA JERNIGAN**

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