

Probate, NC, Wayne, ROBERT BRYAN 1823

Account of sale of the property of ROBERT BRYAN deceased sold 9th of September 1824

ELISHA APPLEWHITE  
EPHRAIM BARDEN  
MAJOR BARDEN  
WOODARD BARDEN  
HENRY BELL  
BENNET BRYAN  
COUNCIL BRYAN  
ELIZABETH BRYAN  
MARGARET BRYAN  
JAMES CARAWAY  
READEN [READIN] COLEY  
ELIAS COLMAN [COLEMAN]  
JESSE COLMAN [COLEMAN]  
CURTIS DANIEL  
WILLIAM DURDEN  
THOPHILUS EDMUNSON  
BENJAMIN ELLIS  
WILLIE ELLIS

JOHN EXUM  
TIMOTHY JONES  
CULLEN LANE  
JAMES MCCLOREY  
WILLIAM MEDLEN  
ABRAHAM MORAT  
WIATT MOYE  
OUTLANDS NED  
JOAB NEWSOM [NEWSOME]  
MILES PEACOCK  
MILES RADFORD  
JOHN SAULS  
JOHN SHERRARD  
WILLIAM SHERRARD  
BRYAN THOMPSON  
ZADOCK THOMPSON  
SPIAS WARD  
EDWARD WILLIAMSON

JAMES BRYAN

**Probate, NC, Wayne, ROBERT BRYAN 1823**

One on **MASE GIN** on demand the 8th of June 1822 to the amount of \$6.75

Desperate account

One on **CATO SAVO** to the amount \$12.80

**JAMES BRYAN**

**Probate, NC, Wayne, ROBERT BRYAN 1823**

An inventory of the property of **ROBERT BRYAN**, deceased, taken the 8th day of September 1824

Desperate notes on **LITTLE & MILLER**

Desperate judgment on **THEOPHILUS EDMUNSON, JOHN PADGETT**

Negro boy named LEVY

**Probate, NC, Wayne, ROBERT BRYAN 1823**

In obedience to an order of Court issued August term 1824 we the undersigned have met and allotted off to the widow of **ROBERT BRYAN** her years provision viz:

1200 wt. of pork  
200 wt. of bacon  
200 wt. of beef  
100 wt. of lard  
18 bushels of wheat  
40 barrels of corn  
all the potatoes there is on hand  
3 bushels of salt  
300 wt. of cotton and all the flax and wood there is on hand  
125 lb. of sugar  
24 lb. of coffee  
2 gal. of molasses  
1 lb. of pepper  
1 lb. spice  
6 gal. Brandy

September 8th 1824

**GABRIEL SHERRARD  
LEVI LANCASTER  
READIN COLEY**

**Probate, NC, Wayne, ROBERT BRYAN 1823**

Account of sale of the property of **ROBERT BRYAN**, deceased, sold the 19th of March 1825.

1 Negro boy LEVI to **JAMES SHADDEN**

**JAMES BRYAN**, Administrator

Probate, NC, Wayne, **ROBERT BRYAN 1823**

State of North Carolina  
Wayne County

In obedience to an order of the Court issued November term 1824, we, the jurors have been summoned and qualified by **WILLIAM SMITH**, sheriff for the said County, to set off and allot to **ELIZABETH BRYAN** widow of **ROBERT BRYAN**, deceased, her dower in the lands of the said deceased.

We have, agreeable thereto, as the above plan represents, to wit:

Lying on the south side of Naughuntea [Nahunta] Swamp

Beginning at a small black gum on the Run of **DURDEN**'s Branch and runs N 77 E 146 poles to a Sassafras steak in the **SHERROD**'s line; then S 302 poles to a small dogwood; then N 89 W 132 poles to a post oak; then N 224 poles to a poplar on The run of **DURDEN**'s Branch; then down the Run of said branch has it meanders to the first station.

Containing 236 3/4 acres it being one third part of the land the said **ROBERT BRYAN** died seized and possessed of all of which we, the jurors, have set off to her thus said **ELIZABETH BRYAN** during her natural lifetime.

And testimony whereof we have set our hands and seals this 16th day of December 1824.

**READIN COLEY**  
**CHARLES CROOME**  
**WILLIAM DICKINSON**  
**JOSIAH GARDNER**  
**JESSE JONES**  
**RAIFORD PEACOCK**  
**WILEY PEACOCK**  
**JAMES SHADDING**  
**TAYLOR SMITH**  
**SPIAS WARD**  
**DAVID WARDEN**  
**JOHN WILLIAMS**

Witness

**WILLIAM SMITH**, Sheriff

**Probate, NC, Wayne, ROBERT BRYAN 1823**

The State of North Carolina  
Wayne County

Court of pleas and quarter sessions November term 1824

The petition of **BENNETT BRYAN, MILES RADFORD** and **MARGARET** his wife, **SIMPSON BRYAN**, a minor and **HEPZEY** [Hephzibah] **BRYAN, SALLY BRYAN, ZILPHA BRYAN** and **WILLIAM BRYAN** all minors their next friend and guardian **BENNETT BRYAN** show to your worships that **ROBERT BRYAN**, late of the county aforesaid, departed this life in the year 1824 intestate being seized at the time of his death of a tract or parcel of land lying and being an the county for said adjoining lands of **BENJAMIN SHERRARD, EXPER LEWIS** and fathers containing 800 acres or thereabouts.

Your petitioners for the show that they are next of Ken and heirs at law of the said **ROBERT BRYAN** deceased and are entitled to equal shares in the said land.

They therefore pray that your worships will appoint five commissioners to divide and set apart to your petitioners there proportionate parts in land aforesaid according to the act of assembly in such case made and provided and report to the next court.

And your petitioners as in duty bound will ever pray

**GABRIEL SHERARD**, Special Guardian

**Probate, NC, Wayne, ROBERT BRYAN 1823**

State of North Carolina

To the sheriff of Wayne County Greeting

You are hereby commanded to summon **GABRIEL SHERARD, JOHN H. SHERARD, THOMAS PERSON, JOHN WILLIAMS,** and **JOHN DAVIS** to divide the lands of **ROBERT BRYAN** deceased among the lawful representatives and you're proceeding return to our next County Court of police and quarter sessions to be held for the county Wayne at the courthouse in Waynesboro on the third Monday of February next.

Herein fail not.

Witness

**PHILIP HOOKS,** Clerk of our said court at office the third Monday of November 1824

**P. HOOKS,** Clerk



**Probate, NC, Wayne, ROBERT BRYAN 1823**

To the worshipful the justices of the court of pleas and quarter sessions for the county of Wayne.

The petition of **ELIZABETH BRYAN, BENNET BRYAN, MARGARET** now the wife of **MILES RADFORD**.

Humbly show unto your worships:

That your petitioners the said **ELIZABETH BRYAN, BENNET BRYAN** and **MILES RADFORD** and his wife **MARGARET**. That **ROBERT BRYAN** late of the county of Wayne departed this life sometime in the month of June last past possessed among other personal property of a Negro man named LEVI and that Administration on his estate was at August term 1824 granted to **JAMES BRYAN**, and leaving your petitioners the said **ELIZABETH BRYAN** his widow and the following children to wit: **BENNET BRYAN, MARGARET** now the wife of **MILES RADFORD, SIMPSON, HEPZEY, ZILPHA, WILLIAM** and **SARAH BRYAN** who are entitled to distribution of his estate.

That the said **JAMES BRYAN** has settled the estate of his intestate and is willing to make distribution among those entitled but owing to the situation of the said estate there being but one negro and several distributees your petitioner prays that the said **JAMES BRYAN**, administrator as aforesaid, be decreed to make sale of the said negro on a credit of six months for the purpose of making distribution among those entitle and,

That the said **JAMES BRYAN**, administrator of **ROBERT BRYAN**, the said **SIMPSON, HEPSEY, ZILPHA, WILLIAM** and **SARAH BRYAN** who are infants, of tender years, by some person to be appointed Guardian by this worshipful Court be made parties defendant to this petition and your petitioner was in duty-bound will ever pray

**GEORGE W. MORDECAI**

Probate, NC, Wayne, ROBERT BRYAN 1823

**ELIZABETH BRYAN** and others

vs

**JAMES BRYAN** administrator of the distribute he's of **ROBERT BRYAN** deceased

Petition for sale and distribution of Negro LEVI

Service accepted by the administrator and **JAMES BRYAN**

Gake **SHERRARD**

Special Guardian

**Probate, NC, Wayne, ROBERT BRYAN 1823**

State of North Carolina  
Wayne County

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that we **JAMES BRYAN, EXUM OUTLAND** and **READIN COLEY** are held and firmly bound unto **EZEKIEL SLOCUMB**, Esquire, chairman of the court of pleas and quarter sessions of the county aforesaid, in the sum of \$5,000 current money to be paid to said chairman, his successors or assigns. 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 are seals and dated the 17th day of August A. D. 1824

THE CONDITION OF THE ABOVE OBLIGATION is such that if the above bounden **JAMES BRYAN** administrator of all and singular the goods and chattels, rights and credits of **ROBERT BRYAN** deceased, do make, or cause to be made, a true and perfect inventory of all and singular the goods, chattels, rights and credits of the deceased, which have or shall come to the hands, knowledge or possession of the said **JAMES BRYAN** unto the hands or possession of any person or persons, for him and the same so made, do exhibit, or cause to be exhibited, to the court of the county aforesaid, within 90 days from the date of these presents, and the same goods, chattels and credits, and all the other goods, chattels and credits of the deceased, at the time of his death, or which at any time Hereafter shall come into the hands or possession of the **JAMES BRYAN** or into the hands or possession of any person, or persons, for him do well and truly administer according to law, and further do make or cause to be made a true and just account of all said Administration within two years after the date of these presents, and all the rest and residue of the said Goods, chattel and credits which shall be found remaining upon the said administrator account, the same being first examined and allowed by the court of the said County, shall deliver and pay on to such person or persons, respectively, to which the same shall do, pursuant to the true intent and meaning of the act and that case made and provided, and if it shall appear that any will or Testament was made by the said deceased, and the executor there in named do exhibit the same and Court, making request to have the same allowed and approved accordingly, if the saint said **JAMES BRYAN** above bounden, being thereunto required, do render the set letters of administration, ( approbation of such Testament, being first had and made in the said Court) send this obligation to be void and of no effect, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

**JAMES BRYAN**  
**READIN COLEY**  
**EXUM OUTLAND**

Signed sealed and delivered in the presence of

**P. HOOKS**

Probate, NC, Wayne, **ROBERT BRYAN 1823**

The state of North Carolina  
Wayne County

Court of pleas and quarter sessions

November term 1824

The petition of **ELIZABETH BRYAN**, widow of **ROBERT BRYAN** deceased, of the county aforesaid show that the said **ROBERT BRYAN** departed this life sometime in the year of Our Lord 1824 intestate, being seized at the time of his death of a tract or parcel of land lying and being in the county aforesaid and adjoining the lands of **BENJAMIN SHERROD** and **EXPER LEWIS** and others containing 800 acres or thereabouts.

Your petitioner further shows to your worships that **BENNETT BRYAN**, **MILES RADFORD** in right of his wife **MARGARET [BRYAN]**, and **SIMPSON BRYAN** a minor and **HEPZEY [HEPHZIBAH] BRYAN** and **ZILPHA BRYAN** and **WILLIAM BRYAN** and **SALLY BRYAN** also minors are the heirs at law of the said **ROBERT BRYAN** that your petitioners give them do notice of your petitioners intention to apply to your worships at this time for her dower and the lands of her deceased husband and and serve them with a copy of this petition.

Your petitioner therefore prays your worships will order the sheriff to summon a jury of lawful men to lay off and set apart your petitioner her dower in the said lands of her deceased husband, **ROBERT BRYAN**, and that they report to the next term of this court according to the act of assembly in such case made and provided and your petitioner as in duty bound will ever pray.

**Probate, NC, Wayne, ROBERT BRYAN 1823**

State of North Carolina  
The sheriff of Wayne County, greeting.

You are hereby commanded to take the body of **MILES RADFORD** if to be found in your county and him safely keep and summon **JOHN B. JONES** administrator of **JOHN WASDEN**, deceased, if to be found in your county so that you have them before our court of pleas and quarter sessions to be held for the county of Wayne at the courthouse in Waynesboro on the third Monday of May next, then and there to answer **GABRIEL SHERARD**, Guardian to the heirs of **ROBERT BRYAN**, of a plea that they render unto him the sum of \$405.49 which said **JONES'** damage \$100

Herein fail not and have you been in there this writ.

Witness

**P. HOOKS** Clerk of our said court at office the third Monday of February in the year of our Independence A. D. 1832

Issued the 22nd day of February A. D. 1832

**P. HOOKS** Clerk

**Probate, NC, Wayne, ROBERT BRYAN 1823**

State of North Carolina

To the sheriff of Wayne County, greeting.

You are hereby commanded to take the bodies of **JAMES MARTIN, SIMEON HOOKS** and **JOHN HOOKS** if to be found in your county, and then safely keep, so that you have them before the justices of our court of pleas and quarter sessions, to be held for the county of Wayne at the courthouse in Waynesboro on the third Monday in July next, then in there to answer **GABRIEL SHERARD**, Guardian to The Heirs of **ROBERT BRYAN** of a plea that they Render unto him the sum of \$111.35 which and damages \$50.

Herein fail not, and have you been in there this writ.

Witness

**JOHN A. GREEN** Clerk of our said court at office on the third Monday in November in the 68 year of independence of the said State, anno domini 1843

Issued the 27th day of January 1844

**JOHN A. GREEN** Clerk

**Probate, NC, Wayne, ROBERT BRYAN 1823**

State of North Carolina

To the Sheriff of Wayne County, greeting

You are hereby commanded to take the bodies of **JOHN HOOKS**, **BENJAMIN BARNES** and **ROBERT HOOKS** if to be found in your county, and them safely keep, so that you have them before the justices of our court of pleas and quarter sessions, to be held for the county of Wayne at the courthouse in Waynesboro on the third Monday in May next, then and there to answer **GABRIEL SHERARD** Guardian to the heirs of **ROBERT BRYAN** of a plea that they Render unto him the sum of \$553.23 and three quarters cents which & c. damage \$100

Herein fail not, and have you been in there this writ.

Witness

**JOHN A. GREEN** Clerk of our said Court had office on the third Monday in July in the 67th year of independence of the said State, an odometer 1843 issue the 28th day of April 1843

**JOHN A. GREEN**, Clerk

Probate, NC, Wayne, ROBERT BRYAN 1823

**GABRIEL SHERRARD** Guardian

vs

**JOHN HOOKS**

**BENJAMIN BARNES**

**ROBERT HOOKS**

Debt

To may term 1843

Executed by **CALVIN COOR**, Sheriff

By **W. G. BRIGGS** deputy sheriff



**Probate, NC, Wayne, ROBERT BRYAN 1823**

With interest from the date we promise to pay **GABRIEL SHERARD** Guardian to The Heirs of **ROBERT BRYAN** the just some of \$405.49 value received the 19th of October 1827

**MILES RADFORD**  
**JOHN WARDEN**

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Received January 11th 1840 \$17.50 in part of the within note

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With interest from the date we or either of us promise to pay **GABRIEL SHERARD** Guardian to The Heirs of **ROBERT BRYAN** adjust sum of \$111.35 for the value received.

As witness our hand and seals March 9th 1842

**JAMES MARTIN**  
**SIMEON HOOKS**  
**JOHN HOOKS**

**BURKET BARNES**

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April 7th 1843 received \$38

**Probate, NC, Wayne, ROBERT BRYAN 1823**

State of North Carolina

The sheriff of Wayne County greeting

We command you that of the goods and chattels, lands and tenements of **ELIZABETH BRYAN** you cause to be made, the sum of \$10.87, which the heirs of **ROBERT BRYAN** lately in our court of pleas and quarter sessions, for the county of Wayne, recovered against her for the cost and charges in said suit expended, whereof C sheriff is convinced as appears to us a record and have you the said monies before our said Court, to be held for the county of Wayne at the courthouse in Waynesboro on the third Monday of May next, then in there to render the said debt, damages, costs and charges aforesaid.

Herein fail not and have you been in there this writ

Witness

**PHILIP HOOKS** Clerk of our said court at office the third Monday of February in the XLV year of our independence ad 1825

**Probate, NC, Wayne, ROBERT BRYAN 1823**

State of North Carolina

The sheriff of Wayne County greeting

You are hereby commanded to summon a jury of good and lawful men of your county. To lay off unto the widow of **ROBERT BRYAN**, deceased, one third part of the lands he, the said **ROBERT**, died seized of and possessed of at the time of his death. And return the same to our next County Court of pleas and quarter sessions to be held for the county of Wayne aforesaid at the courthouse in Waynesboro on the third Monday of February next.

Herein fail not.

Witness

**PHILIP HOOKS** Clerk of our said court at office the third Monday of November 1824

**P. HOOKS**, Clerk

**Probate, NC, Wayne, ROBERT BRYAN 1823**

State of North Carolina  
Wayne County

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that we **MILES RADFORD** and **JESSE COLEMAN** are held and firmly bound unto **WILLIAM THOMPSON** Esquire, High Sheriff of the county of force, his heirs, executive orders and as signs, and the sum of \$811 to which payment well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrator, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

Sealed with are seals and dated the 2nd day of March A. D. 1832

THE CONDITION OF THE ABOVE OBLIGATION IS SUCH, that if the above bounden **MILES RADFORD** do and shall make his personal appearance before the justices of the court of pleas and quarter sessions at the court to be held for the county aforesaid, at the courthouse in Waynesboro on the third Monday in May next, then and there to answer **GABRIEL SHERARD** Guardian for the heirs of **ROBERT BRYAN** of a plea that they render unto him the sum of \$405.49 damage \$100 and then stand to, and abide by, the Judgment of the said court, and not depart the same without license had and obtained, that then the above obligation to be void and of no effect, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

**MILES RADFORD**  
**JESSE COLEMAN**

Signed sealed and delivered in the presence of

**JOHN MAYO**

**Probate, NC, Wayne, ROBERT BRYAN 1823**

I, **WILLIAM THOMPSON**, High Sheriff of the county aforesaid, do assign the above obligation and condition to **GABRIEL SHERARD** the plaintiff there in named, his heirs, executors, administrators or assigns, to be sued for according to the statute in such case made and provided.

And witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal the second day of March 1832

**WILLIAM THOMPSON** Sheriff

**Probate, NC, Wayne, ROBERT BRYAN 1823**

State of North Carolina  
Wayne County

Court of pleas and quarter sessions

To **JOHN B. JONES**, greeting

Whereas, at the court of pleas and quarter sessions held for the county of Wayne, on the third Monday of November ad 1847 you were appointed Guardian to **WILLIAM, MARY, SARKY** [Larky] **BRYAN** and have failed to appear and exhibit your account as required by the provision of the act of the assembly. We command and enjoin you said **JOHN B. JONES** that laying all their matters aside, and notwithstanding any excuse, you personally appear before the worshipful justices of our said court, at the court to be held for the county of Wayne, and the courthouse in Waynesboro on the third Monday of February next, to do and receive what are Court shall consider in this behalf, and this you shall in no wise omit, as in case of your failing to appear, you will subject yourself to an attachment for such contempt.

Witness

**JOHN A. GREEN**, Clerk of our said court at office the third Monday of November ad 1849

**JOHN A. GREEN** Clerk

Probate, NC, Wayne, ROBERT BRYAN 1823

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