

Will, NC, Wake, William Jones 1800

In the name of God Amen.

I **WILLIAM JONES** of the state of North Carolina and the county of Wake being low and weak and body though of a sound and disposing mind and memory do make an ordain this my last will and testament in the following form and Manner and desire it may be received by all as such.

IMPRIMIS I give unto my loving wife **MARY** for and during her natural life or widowhood the following three Negroes named JACOB, POMPEY, and PAT, and 400 acres of land including the houses and Plantation whereon I know dwell and all my kitchen Furniture consisting of pewter pots and water vessels and one feather bed and furniture.

ITEM I give unto **REDDICK MATTHEWS** son of my wife **MARY** and my son, as I suppose, the sum of fifty pounds current money of North Carolina to be raised, and paid him out of my stock of cattle or Hogs and one hundred acres of land joining the land I purchased of **GEORGE WILLIAMS**.

ITEM I give to my daughter **WINIFRED MATTHEWS** daughter of my said wife **MARY** and to her heirs and assigns forever the following two negroes named HANNAH and CHERRY.

ITEM I give on to my son **YOUNG JONES** and to his heirs and assigns forever one negro boy named JUPITER and four hundred acres of land including the house and Plantation whereon I now dwell, only reserving the use of the said land in Plantation to my set wife **MARY** as above-mentioned.

ITEM I give to my daughter **SYTHA JONES** and to her heirs and assigns forever one negro girl named SILVA.

ITEM I give to my son **ETHELDRED JONES** and to his heirs and assigns forever one negro boy named MARTIN and two hundred acres of land it being the land and Plantation I purchased of **REDMAN MATTHEWS** lying on both sides of Buckhorn Creek.

ITEM I give to my son **ANDERSON JONES** and to his heirs and assigns forever two hundred acres of land lying on both sides of Buckhorn Creek it being the land and Plantation I purchased of **GEORGE WILLIAMS** and one negro girl named LUCY.

AND I further desire that after the payment of any just debts and funeral expenses all my estate that I have not here in given and bequeathed to my said wife and children may be equally divided between and amongst my said children whose names are here in mentioned only reserving the use of the same to my side wife **MARY** for and during her natural life and or widowhood for the use of which I charged her with the raising and maintaining of my three sons **YOUNG, ETHELDRED, and ANDERSON**.

AND I do hereby nominate and appoint my trusty friend **SAMUEL NORTHINGTON, ANDREW PETTY, and JACOB ROWLAND** my sole executors of this my last will and testament, and I do hereby revoke and make void all other wills by me heretofore made, declaring this and no other to be my last will and testament.

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In Witness whereof I, the said **WILLIAM JONES**, do hereunto set my hand and seal this 7th Day of March in the year of our Christ eighteen hundred.

WILLIAM JONES {seal}

In the presence of

LEWIS BLEDSOE, jurat {seal}

DAVID JONES {seal}

LEWIS JONES, jurat {seal, his x mark}