

Benjamin Johnsons Will

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In the Name of God Amen Benjamin Johnson of Northampton County State of North Carolina being Weak & Sick in Body but of sound mind Memory, & being Persuaded with a small portion of this World's Goods, do make and Ordain this my Last Will & Testament disannulling all others Heretofore made by me, this 2^d day of September in the Year of our Lord Christ one thousand Eight Hundred & five in manner I form as follows;

Item I Give to my Daughter Elizabeth Johnson one Feather Bed of four pieces to her Heirs Forever.

Item I Will & devise that my Land be sold also my Stock of all kinds, with my House & old Furniture plantation utensils and what ever may be deemed my Estate except my Negroes, to be sold, and the money arising from such Sale to be put on Interest for the Support of my Children;

Item I will and Devise that my negroes be hired out annually, until my young Child arrives to the age of Twelve Years;

Item I will and Devise that when my aforesaid Child arrive to the age of Twelve Years, that the whole of my Estate be equally Divided among my Children by the names of Elizabeth Johnson, Elizabeth Johnson, Wm Johnson, Polly Johnson, Martha Johnson, Rebecca Johnson, Theophilus Johnson;

Item And lastly I appoint my worthy Friends Nathaniel Chambliss, Theophilus Chambliss and William Stewart & Charles Stewart whole Sole Executors of this my Last Will & Testament as Witnesses. I have hereunto set my Hand & Seal the Day & Year above Written.

Witness

William Garner

John Garner

Benjamin Johnson

Sealed

Northampton County ss. June Court 1806

This will was duly proved by the Oath of William Garner & John Garner, whereupon William Stewart one of the Executors therein named was duly qualified ordered to be Certified & Recorded.

Witness

Wm. Stewart J. C. C.