

HENRY SNOAD'S WILL.

IN THE NAME OF GOD, AMEN. I, Henry Snoad, of the County of Beaufort, in the Province of North Carolina, being Sick & weak in Body, but of Sound mind, do make & ordain this my last Will & Testament:

First & principally, I recommend my Soul into the Hands of Almighty God, hoping thro' the merits & intercession of our Lord & Saviour Jesus Christ, to have full & free pardon of all my Sins & to inherit everlasting life; and as touching all such temporal Estate as it hath pleased him to bestow upon me, I do dispose of it in manner following, Viz:

Imprimis, I will and desire that all my just Debts & Funeral Expenses be paid as soon as possible after my Decease.

Item, I give & bequeath unto my Son, John Peyton Snoad, the Plantation whereon I now live, containing four hundred & fifty acres of land; and also the Plantation I bought of John Lane, together with all the Houses, Fields, Improvements & Appurtenances belonging to both & either of them, to him & his Heirs for ever: Provided, nevertheless, & I do declare it to be my Intent & meaning, that my Sister, Mary Lane, have the quiet use & Occupation of the plantation I bought of John Lane aforesd., during her Life. Likewise I give & bequeath unto my sd. son, John Peyton Snoad, my Plantation lying on the Herring Run, binding on the Plantation, I bought of John Lane, containing three hundred acres of Land. Likewise, I give & bequeath unto my sd. Son, John Peyton Snoad, my Silver Watch, my Silver hilted Sword (now in the possession of Stephen Cade), my Silver Shoe & Knee Buckles, Six Large Silver Spoons, my Silver Can, my Gold Sleeve Buttons, my Mahogany Desk, & my gilt fram'd Looking Glass, & my large China Bowl.

Item, I give & Bequeath unto my Son, Benja. Snoad, my Plantation lying in the Cow pen Neck, below Wm. Spear's, containing Six hundred & forty Acres of Land. Likewise, I give & bequeath unto my sd. Son, Benja. Snoad, My Plantation lying at the Mouth of white Oak River, on Queens Creek, containing Six hundred & forty Acres, to him & his Heirs for ever. Likewise, I give & bequeath unto my sd. Son, Benja. Snoad, my Silver hilted Sword that was my Father's, Six large Silver Spoons, my black Walnut Looking Glass, & all my China Ware that is now at home, excepting what is before bequeathed.

Item, I give & Bequeath unto my Daughter, Ann Snoad, my Plantation lying at the Mouth of Blunt's Creek, conta'ing four hundred & forty Acres, to her & her Heirs for ever. Likewise, I give & bequeath unto my sd. Daughter, Ann Snoad,

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Six Silver Tea Spoons, my Silver Tea Tongs, my Silver Pepper Box, my Tea Table, & all my China Ware & cloaths that were her Mothers, now in Possession of my Aunt Chauncy.

Item, I Give & Bequeath unto my sd. Sons, John Peyton Snoad & Benja. Snoad, all my Books to be equally divided between them.

Item, I give & Bequeath unto my Sisters, fourty Shillings sterl. apiece, to buy each of them a Ring.

Item, I Give & Bequeath unto my Sister, Mary Lane, enough Money to purchase a couple of Slate Grave Stones, for her Son Jno. Snoad Lane, who lies buried in my Orchard.

Item, Likewise, I give & bequeath unto my Friend Walley Chauncey, hereafter named my Executor, my black Stallion, wch I bought of Stephen Cade, together with my best Bridle, Saddle, Case of Pistols, & Gun that was my Fathers; and I also give & bequeath unto his Wife, my Aunt Chauncy, fourty Shillings sterl., to buy her a Ring, & also Five pounds sterl. to be disposed of (as) she shall think fit.

Item, I give & Bequeath unto my Friend, James Bonner, hereafter named my Executor, my Gun & Sword that was my brother William's.

Item, I Give & Bequeath unto William Oglesby, My Apprentice, A set of Carter's Tools, & a new Suit of Cloaths.

Item, I give & Bequeath unto my sd. Children, John Peyton Snoad, Benja. Snoad, & Ann Snoad, all the remaining part of my Estate, wether real or Personal, to be equally divided between them. And it is my Will & Desire, that my Executors hereafter named, keep my Estate together & employ the Same to support, maintain & educate my Children until they, or either of them, shall arrive to the Age of twenty one Years, or marry, then to be divided by my Executors, & each Childs portion delivered, as above bequeathed, unto them; but in case two of my Executors shall decease, before the time, then the sd. Division & Delivery to be made by the Surviving Executor in Conjunction with two of the Court to be appointed for that purpose; but if none of the Executors should Survive then, the sd. Division & delivery to be made by three members of the Court, to be appointed for that purpose. It is likewise my Will & Desire, that what Money arises out of my Estate more than will maintain & Educate my sd. Children, be applyed to purchase young Negroes for my sd. Children. Likewise it is my Will & Desire that my Executors sell such of my Lightwood Lands, as shall become useless to my Estate, both the Lands At Brush Fare, & wch I took up in conjunction wth Jos. Hardee, and likewise the perishable Moveables, reserving the Leather Chairs & three of the best Feather Beds & Furniture, & also the Mill situated on the Herring Run. It is likewise my Will & Desire that my Executors bring up my

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Son's to some reputable Calling, according as their Genius shall incline. Likewise it is my Desire that my Executors procure Gravestones for all my deceased Friends that ly buried in my Plantaion.

And, I do hereby constitute, authorize & appoint my trusty Friend, Walley Chauncy, my trusty Friend James Bonner, my trusty Friend, John Hardee, & my trusty Friend, Edwd. Salter, Executors of this my last Will & Testament, hereby revoking all former & other Wills by me made.

In Witness whereof, I have hereunto set my Hand & Seal, This 20th day of May, 1752.

HENRY SNOAD. (Seal)

Signed, Sealed, published & declared by the Testator, to be his last Will & Testament in presence of:

SAML. BOUTWELL,

ANN WILLOUBEY.

GRIFFETH HOWELL.

BEAUFORT COUNTY. SS.

At a Court held at Bath Town for the said County, at the Court house, on the second tuesday in December, and 12th. day of the same Month, Anno Dom., 1752.

Present his Majesty's Justices.

These are to certify that Griffith Howell, one of the Subscribing evidences to the within Will appear'd in Open Court and made Oath on the holy Evangelists, that he was present and Saw Henry Snoad Sign, Seal and declare the within Instrument of writing to be his last Will and Testament, and that the said Henry Snoad was at that time of Sound and disposeing mind and Memory; and that he also saw Samuel Boutwell and Anne Willoughby, the other subscribing Witnesses sign their names thereto at the same time. Then Walley Chauncy and John Hardee, Exors. of the said Will appear'd in Open Court and took the Oath of Exors. in due form. Whereupon it was Ordered by the said Court that Mr. Secretary have notice thereof that Letters Testamentary Issue thereupon as the Law directs.

Test. WILL ORMOND, Cler Cur.

Copied from the Original Will, filed in the Office of the Secretary of State.