

BERTIE COUNTY WILL - Averitt, Henry 1771

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Will of Henry Averitt 1771 Bertie Co, North Carolina

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Source: Original Will at the North Carolina State Archives.

Note: There is no record with this Will stating when it was proved in court.

In the name of God Amen. I Henry Avaritt of Bertie County being sick and weak in Body But of perfect mind and Memory thanks be given unto God. Calling unto mind The mortality of my Body and knowing that is appointed for all men once to die I do make and ordain this my last will and Testament. that is to say principally and first of all I give and recommend my Soul into the hand of almighty God that gave it and my Body I recommend to the Earth to be buried in Decent christian Burial at the discretion of my Executors. Nothing doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall Receive the same again by the mighty power of God. And touching such worldly Estate where with it has pleased God to bless me in this life I give, devise and Disspose of the same in the following manner and form. First, I give and bequeath to Millia my dear Beloved wife one Negro wench Named Clo**e (Clovie?) and one Bay horse Called Jack. Also I give to my well Beloved son Jesse Avaritt one young horse called Pompe(?). Also I give all my Negros Except the aforesaid wench To my four children. That Jesse Avaritt, Seley(or Selvy?) Avaritt, Martha Avaritt and Bettey Avaritt for my said Negroes and there increase to be equally divided Among my afore said children when my son Jesse comes to the age of nineteen years old. I also give to my daughter Seley(?) Avaritt and my daughter Martha Avaritt one piece of land st**saye(??) and tenement the said Land to be divided in two Equal parts and my daughter Seley(?) to have one equal part and my daughter Martha to have the other Equal parte. The said piece of land is called pea(?) Hill. Also I give and Bequeath to my daughter Betty Avaritt forty five pounds virginia money. The said money to com out of the ninty pounds that my father is to give me for Dick. Also I leave all my stock of Cattle, horses and hogs to be

Equally divided among my wife and four Children after my Just debts is paid.
Also I leave my house hould Goods and moveables to be Equally divided Between my wife and four children. I also desire and impower My Executors to sell any part of my stock to raise money to pay my Just debts and as my stock increases my will and desire is that my Executors Sell such part of the Increase as they shall think proper and put the money to Interest for my four children. I likewise constitute, make and ordain my Brother Charles Avaritt and Thomas Pugh Executors of this my last Will and Testament. And I do hereby utterly Disallow, Revoke and Disannul all and Every other Testaments, Wills, Legacies, Bequests Be me any ways before named, Willed and Bequeathed. Ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last will and Testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this
Twenty Eight day of October 1771.

Henry Avaritt -Seal
his mark

Signed Sealed Published pronounced and declared by the said Henry Avaritt To be his last will and testament in the presence of us who in his presents and in the presents of Each other have hereunto subscribed our hands.
Thos. Pugh Junr.(?)
Elizabeth Harrell -her mark
Henry Avaritt Sr.(?)

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