

BERTIE COUNTY WILL - Mizell, Aaron-1809

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Following is will of Aaron Mizell written in 1800 and proved in 1809. This Aaron Mizell was prob. the father of William Mizell (will dated 1793) and grandfather of Jeremiah Mizell (will of 1816) and Aaron Mizell (land division of 1844/5).

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AARON MEEZELL Will; written 1800-proved 1809; Bertie County NC; Book E(or F), p113
(father of William M. - will proved 1793)

(various spelling of Mizell/Meezell/Meezle/etc. retained, although there is some differences in spelling of surname in Bertie and Raleigh copies)
written at bottom on center fold of Raleigh copy
"Aaron Meizell's Will" "Recorded Book F Page 113"

In the name of God Amen ~~~

I Aaron Meezell of Bertie County, being weak of body, but of sound and disposing mind and memory and knowing that tis appointed for all men once to die, Do make this as my last will and testament in the manner and form following (Vis?)

1st. I give and bequeath unto my son Thomas Meezell, the one half of the tract of land that I now live on, being the part whereon he the said Thomas now lives, together with the one third part of my grist and saw mills (after my death) to him and his heirs forever ~ ~ ~ ~

2d I give unto my son Isaac Meezle, the remaining half of the tract of land I now live on not given to Thomas Meezle, together with the one third part of my grist and saw mills first reserving my own life (thereunto) or therein I say to him the said Isaac Meezle his heirs and assigns forever ~ ~ ~ ~

3d I give and bequeath unto my son Joseph Meezle one small tract of land lying on Wills quarter Swamp, between his own line and a small branch adjoining Moses Meezles land to him Joseph his heirs and assigns forever ~ ~ ~ ~

4th I give and bequeath unto my son Moses Meezle, the remaining part of a tract of land lying on Wills quarter Swamp as aforesaid, South of the branch above mentioned being the dividing line between my sons Joseph and Moses, together with the remaining one third part of my grist and saw mills not before given away first reserving the use of the hole to me and my use during my life after which time to go to the use of my son Moses aforesd his heirs and assigns forever ~ ~

I also give to my son Moses one other tract of land lying below him on Wells quarter Swamp being a piece I purchased of Jasper Charlton for which I never obt'd a deed owing to his immediate death after I obtained a patent for the same, to him the said Moses his heirs and assigns forever ~ ~ ~ ~

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5th I give and bequeath unto my son John Meezle twenty pounds to be raised out of my estate after my death to him the said John Meezle his heirs and assigns forever ~~~~

6th I give my daughter Margaret Phelps ten pounds to her and her heirs forever--

7th I give unto my daughter Milley Cowan ten pounds to her and her heirs forever ~~~~

8th I give unto my daughter Judith Currey? the sum of ten pounds to her and her heirs forever ~~~~

9th and lastly I give to the heirs of my son William Meezle Des'd the sum of ten Pounds to be raised out of my estate after my death ~ Further I constitute my sons Thomas, Joseph, and Moses Meezles, the sole and only executors of this my last will and testament, declaring this to be my last will and testament, revoking all others heretofore made in witness wherof I have here unto set my hand and seal this 11th July in the year of our lord one thousand eight hundred ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~

(note "11th July" inserted above ^ in line)

Signed sealed and acknowledged }

In the presence of us who hereunto } Aaron (his X mark) Meezell
(Seal)

subscribe our names as witnesses }

The word July being interlined? before signed. }

NB? woud further observe that after the Legasies? and all my debts are paid if there should then be a surplus of property that the same be equally divided amongst all my children or their legal repre sentatives ~~~~ ~~~~.

Witnesses

William Copeland

Hardy Oxley

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James Laughton

State of North Carolina }

Bertie County Court } May term 1809

This last will & testament of Aaron Meizell dec'd was proved in open court by the oath of Hardy Oxley & James Laughton two of the subscribing witnesses therto - ordered to be recorded - at the same time Moses Meizell one of the Executors nominated in the said will qualified to execute the contents thereof -

Sol. Cherry Jun. Clrk

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