

Will of Richard Parker Chowan Co. Sept. 22, 1749

In the name of God Amen I Richard Parker of Chowan County in the Province aforesaid do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following that is to say first I give my sole unto the hands of God who gave it and my body to be buried at the descretion of my Executors here after named and what worldly goods I have, I do dispose thereof as followeth:

Imprimis I give and bequeath unto my son Richard Parker my land and plantation where I now live bounded by a branch from the Mouth thereof up the said branch to a marked white Oak thence along the said Branch side by a line of marked trees to a gum thence up the said branch to a marked tree standing in the for of the said branch thence up a line of marked trees into a Pocoson a corner tree Thence runing a long a line marked trees in the fork of the Litell Mare Branch from thence runing down the said branch to a white Oak standing by the side of the Mill Pond from thence crossing the mill pond to the first station containing about five hundred acres I say to him and his heirs forever.

Item- I give and bequeath my son Daniel Parker the plantation and land where he now liveth containing about three hundred and fifty acres and bounded as followeth— beginning at Mill Swamp so bounding on the East Line of the land already made a long a line of marked trees a corner tree thence runing along John Mores line thence running along a line to John Mores corner tree thence running along a line of trees in or near the County Line thence running along a line of trees to a corner tree standing in the Gaulberry Pocoson thence to a marked tree standing in the Fork of the Mares Branch so down the said branch to the first station I say to him and his heirs forever.

Item- I give and bequeath to my son Francis Parker parcel of land containting about three hundred and fifty acres and bounded as followeth beginning at a marked pine standing by a pond and near the County Line thence along the County Line to a marked tree in Charles Russels line so along Russels line to a marked pine a corner tree standing in the head of a Branch so down the said Branch as far as the parcel extendeth thence joining on the land formerly belonging to the John Williamson and Thomas Goff so binding on John Harris land to a corner tree in his line thence by a line of marked trees to corner tree standing in the Pocoson thence by several ----- to the first station I say to him and his heirs forever.

Item- I give and bequeath to my son Stephen Parker the Plantation and land that I bought of Moses Hall and of Mike Jones containing about two hundred and twenty acres I say to him the said Stephen Parker and his heirs forever.

Item- I give and bequeath to my son Francis Parker the tract of land I took up & surveyed lying on Sommerton Swamp and containing eighty two acres I say to him and his heirs forever.

Item- I give and bequeath to my said sons Richard Parker, Peter Parker, Daniel Parker, Stephen Parker, Robert Parker, Francis Parker and to each of them fifty acres of land lying on Mehearon Pocoson below Pughs Ferry I say to them and their heirs forever.

Item- I give and bequeath to my sons Richard Parker, Stephen Parker, Francis Parker the

land I purchased of John Small lying on the Timber Pocoson containing about two hundred acres I say to them and their heirs forever.

Item- I give and bequeath to my son Richard Parker fifty acres of land I purchased of H Kittlelin lying near the Lossing Swamp I say to him and his heirs forever.

Item- I give and bequeath my friend John Benton a parcel of land joyning on Bennets Cr and Bentons land and so along the Bay Br upon the provision that he pays forty three barrels of Tarr if he justly pays the Tarr to me or my four young sons I say then land to him and his heirs forever.

Item- I give and bequeath to my grandson Richard Parker five shilling currant money of Virginia I say to him in full for his part of all my Estate movable and unmovable.

Item- I give and bequeath to my grandson William Parker five shilling currant money of Virginia I say to him in full for his part of all my estate moveable and unmovable I say to him and his heirs forever.

Item- I give and bequeath to my said son Robert Parker the Plantation and land I bought of James Ellis containing about sixty acres I say to him and his heirs forever.

Item- I give and bequeath to my fore said son Robert Parker five shilling cash to him in full for his part of my personable estate I say to him and his heirs forever.

Item- I give and bequeath to my said son Peter Parker my water Mill Stones and five Shillings cash to him in full for his part of my personable estate I say to him and his heirs forever.

Item- I give and bequeath to my son Daniel Parker five cows and one Mare named Boney Branded with H formerly belong to Joseph Horton to him and his heirs forever.

Item- I give and bequeath to my son Jonathan Parker three pieces of seven eights linnen to him in full part of my personal estate I say to him and his heirs forever.

Item- I give and bequeath to my son Jonas Parker my negro girl named Doll to him in full for his part of my personable estate I say to him and his heirs forever.

Item- I give and bequeath to my three daughters Elizabeth Hunter, & Ann Spivey & Alice Daughtrey ten Shillings apiece I say to each of them in full for their share of my personable estate.

Item- All the remainder of my Estate of what nature or Kind so ever I leave to be equally divided amongst my five children namely Jacob, Stephen, Francis, Richard, & Patience. I nominate and appoint my loving wife and my son Peter Parker to be executrix and Executer of this my last Will and Testament and I do hereby revoke dismiss annul and make void all former wills by me here to fore made in witness where of I gave here unto set my hand and fixed my seal the twentieth second day of September in the year of Christ one thousand seven hundred forty nine.

Richard Parker

Wit: John Williamson, Wm. Doughtie, John Moore