

BERTIE COUNTY WILL -Bryan -1794

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April 1794 Will of Mikel BRYAN -
Proved May 1794

In the name of God amen I Mikel BRYAN of the county of Bertie and province of North Carolina being afflicted with bodily pain though sound and perfect mind and memery thanks be given to God but calling to mine the mortality of mankind and knowing it to appoint this my last will and testament in the following manner to wit.

Item - I lend unto my beloved wife Olive BRYANT all my plantation, hereon I now live during her natural life. Also I lend to my beloved wife Olive BRYAN one pot and one frying pan and all my pewter. Two cows and calves during her natural life.

Item - I give and bequeth unto my son Neadom BRYAN after deseas of my beloved wife, all my land and plantation whereon I now live, to him, his heirs and assigns forever.

Item - I lend to my beloved wife Olive BRYAN one mare and colt during her natural life and after the desease of my beloved wife, I do hereby give and bequeath the said mare and colt to my son Neadom BRYAN to his and his heirs and assignes forever.

Item - I lend to my beloved wife two sows and nine pigs during her natural life.

Item - I give unto my son Nedam BRYAN to him his heirs and assignes forever two sows and forteen pigs and two shoates?

Item - I give unto my daughter Marthew BRYAN one sow and four pigs to her his? heris and assignees forever.

Item - I give unto my daughter Marthew one loom. ____? and after the decease of my beloved wife I give unto my daughter Marthew BRYANT one feather bed and furniture. to her his? heirs and assignes forever.

Item - I give unto my son Neadom BRYAN two ____and one ____and the ____ and all the gear and two ____ and one pair of iron wedges one graveling hoe and three wedging hoes to him his heris and assignes forever.

Item - I give unto my daughter Marthew BRYAN one looming and one wooling wheel and one pair of cards and one ___ to her heirs and assigns forever.

Item - I lend to my beloved wife Olive BRYAN one table and six chairs three washing tubs two pigens and one and all my Barrells during her natural life.

Item - and after the decease of my beloved wife I do give and devise all of my Estate before mentioned to be equally divided between my two children mentioned. Neadom BRYAN and Marthew BRYAN. to them their heirs and assigns forever...and likewise a parecell of Earthenware.

Item - I leave all the remainder part of my Esate to be sold after paying all of my debts, the remainder part to be equally divided between my six children, Jesse BRYAN, Elisha BRYAN, Mikel BRYAN, Neadom BRYAN, Sarah HARRELL and Marthew BRYAN to them their heirs and assigns forever.

Lastly I nominate constitute and apppoint my friend Balis HOUSE and Henry RUFFIN, executors to this my last will and testament hereby revoking and disannulling all others heretofore by and made in writing whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 25th day of April 1794.

Signed, sealed Published by said Mikael BRYAN to be his last will and testament in the presents of us Edward BAKER, Elizabeth PEARCE, Sarah S SMITH

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Inventory of the Estate 7 Aug 1794 taken by Baliss HOUSE

Manner plantation, one mare and colt, nine head of cattle, six sows and piggs, two shoats, five head of sheep, four feather beds and furniture, three beadsteads, one chest, two tables, one linning wheel, one wooling wheel, one loom and gear, one pair of cards, three jugs, three earthen pots, three iron pots, one frying pan, one skillet, one dutch oven, one iron potrack, one pot hook, three puter dishes, two puter basons, two puter plates, thirteen spoons, nine earthen plats, five earthen boles, one cup and saucer, four mugs, two tumblers, eight bottles, one wood salt mortar, two files and one rasp, three washing tubs, two pails, three bread trays, two sifters, three drawing knives, a parcell of bacon, a parecll of corn, three axes, three plowhoes and two cutters, three weeding hoes, two grubing hoes, one pair of iron wedges, one auger, and four chizles, one hand saw, one box iron and two hectors, one pair of five tongues, one spcd? one gun, one hackel,

one cart and wheels, one man saddle and bridle, one pair of saddle bags,
a small parcell
of leather, one pair of shears, one plow fraim and gear, one pair of
rope traces, one grind
stone, one testament and spelling book and spring? one hone and two
rason, one day
bucket, one joint stock, one safe, one looking glass, ten setting
chairs, one reaphook,
eight sider barrells and one rundlet, seven old casks, a parcell of
cotten and flax, one
flaxbrake and two half barrels, three bels, four stocks of bees, a
parcel of old iron, one
sugar box, a small parcell of salt, a small parcell of pees, one basket,
a small parcell of
fat, two sheepskins, a small parcell of wheat, one pigen, two jack
knives, one case of knives and
forks.

People who bought at his estate: William RUFFIN, Jesse HARRELL, Whitmel
BATES, Henry AVERET, Joshua HARRELL, Martha BRYAN, Asa
HOLLOWELL, John ACRE, Nedam BRYAN, Elisha PARKER, Robert DUGLISS,
Edward ACRE, Ann GLISTON, Samuell THOM, Elizabeth PEARCE, Samuel
DEANS, Baliss HOUSE.

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