



SHAW-WALKER

Third Cut #9203R

I Drury Bryan of the County of Edgecomb and State of North Carolina being of Sound mind and memory but considering the uncertainty of my Earthly Existence do make and declare this my Last will and Testament in manner and form Following that is to Say -
Item I Give unto my beloved wife Susan Bryan the Land whereon I now live containing about one Hundred and Twelve Acres I further Give unto her the Bradley place on the west Side of Fishing Creek containing one hundred & Eleven Acres I further Give unto her the field known by the name of the Mill field beginning at a by pass on said Creek running along a ditch to two persimmon trees then across the field to the Road then along the Road to the Bradley place all the above Land I Give to her my wife Susan Bryan during her Natural Life with all the houses and Appurtenances thereon belonging I further Give unto her all my household and Kitchen furniture and all kind of Farming utensils on the place whereon I now live I further Give unto her two Horses one bay Mare Junnet & grey horse two cows & calves Six head of Sheep two Sows and pigs & Twenty Shoats all her choice I further Give unto her my Wrough & harness I further Give unto my wife Susan Bryan five Negroes to wit Sam Phillis Bushba Little Sam and Chany all of the above property I Give unto her my wife during her Natural Life

Item Second I give to my Son William S. Bryan five hundred dollars payable in two years after my death

Item third

I give unto my Son Joseph Bryan all my Right Title and Interest in the Land whereon he now lives in Halifax County as his part of my Land I further give unto him five Negroes to wit George Austin Ranny Tib & Washington I also give unto him Three Horses Three Feather Beds & Necessary furniture -

Item fourth

I give unto my Daughter Penelope Mabry five —
Negroes To wit Blumons Bunny Elyzer Ary and Lebrin
I further give unto her one barouch one feather
bed & furniture — — —

Item fifth I give all the Land that I now own that
is not Lent to my wife to my four Sons To wit Harry Blount
Gray & Etheldred Bryan to be Equally divided between
them if Either of them die before he arrive to Twenty one
year old or has a Lawful heir begotten of his body his part
to be divided among the other Three I further give
unto my four Sons Harry Blount Gray & Etheldred
Bryan to be Equally divided among them all the Negroes
that I have in possession at my death that I have
not will away to my wife and other children

Item Sixth

It is my will and desire that all my Land & Negroes
Stock & House hold & Litter that I have Lent to my
wife Susan Bryan during her Life at her death to
be Equally divide among all my children (Except
William S Bryan)

Item Seventh It is my will and desire that all my
Stock Crop Farming utensils of all kinds after furnishing
my wife Susan Bryan & Family one year Support to be sold
all Moneys due me in any ^{way} collected by my Executors
hereafter named and all my Just debts paid out
of the same and the Legats paid off and the
balance if any to be divided between my four
sons Harry Blount Gray & Etheldred Bryan

I do hereby constitute and appoint my Son Joseph
Bryan & Charles Mabry my Lawful Executors
to all intents and purposes to Execute this
my Last will and Testament according to the

True intent and Meaning of The Same and
Every part and Clause thereof hereby Revoking
and declaring utterly void all other wills and
Testaments be me heretofore made I witness whereof
I the said Drury Bryan do hereunto set my hand
and Seal this the 11th day January 1843
Signed Sealed published and declared
by the said Drury Bryan to be his Last
will and Testament in the presence of } Drury Bryan Seal
us who at his Request and in his
presence do Subscribe our Names
as witnesses Thereto
*Benja Balls
*William Dicken

Edgecomb County Court February Term 1843
The execution of the foregoing last will and Testament
of Drury Bryan dec. was duly proven in open Court by
the oaths of Benjamin Balls and William Dicken
the subscribing witnesses thereto, and was ordered to be
Recorded. At the same time Drury Bryan one
of the Executors therein named qualified as such —
Charles Mabry the other Executor therein named
renounced the Executorship in open Court

Test,
J. Norcross

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