

LANE, Joseph

1758

EDGECOMBE (37)



SHAW-WALKER

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In the Name of God Amen. I Joseph Lane of the County and Parish of Edgecomb in the Province of North Carolina being thro' the abundant Mercy and Goodness of God, tho' weak in Body, yet of a sound and perfect Understanding and Memory, do constitute this my last Will and Testament, and desire it may be receiv'd by all as such: (Imprimis,) I most humbly bequeath my soul to God, my Maker, beseeching his most gracious Acceptance of it, through the all Sufficient Merits and Mediation of my sweet compassionate Redeemer Jesus Christ, who gave himself to be an Atonement for my Sins, and is able to save, to almost all that unto God by him, Seeing he ever liveth to make Intercession for him, and who I trust will not reject me, a returning penitent sinner, when I come to him for Mercy; in this hope and Confidence I render up my soul with Comfort, humbly beseeching the most blessed and Glorious Trinity, One God most holy, most mercifull and gracious, to prepare me for the Time of my Dissolution, and then to take me to himself into that peace and rest, and incomparable Felicity, which he has prepared for all and fear his holy Name, Amen. blessed be God. Imprimis, I give my Body to the Earth, from whence it was taken, in full Assurance of its Resurrection from thence at the last Day; As for my Burials, I desire it may be decent, without pomp or State, at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named, who I doubt not will manage it with all requisite Candance. As to my worldly Estate, I will and positively order, that all my Debts be first paid.

Item I give my Brother William Lane the plantation whereon I do now live and all the Land adjoining there to I say to him his Heirs and Assigns for ever, and also the Land whereon William Pilsbury now lives, I give to the said William Lane his Heirs and Assigns for ever; I also give and bequeath to William Lane Eighteen head of Cattle on the Manner Plantation, also all my Tools and Signs on the Manner Plantation, and also all my Household Furniture except such as shall be hereafter mentioned, and also I give to my Brother William Lane the Five following Negroes that is say, Tom, Cate, King, Annaca, Mingo, I say Given to him his Heirs and Assigns for ever

Item I give my Negroe Boy Ploughman to my Brother Sewit Lane to him his Heirs and Assigns for ever, and also I lend the labour of my Negroes Jack and Cleony to my Father during his natural life and his Decree to return to my Brother William Lane and his Heirs Assigns for ever

Item, I Give and bequeath to Winifred Pope my Negroe Girl Tildy on Condition that the said Winifred Pope Deliver up about of Twenty pound that then the s^d Wench shall belong to the s^d Winifred Pope her Heirs Assigns for ever

Item I Give and bequeath to my Sister Fath Rynnera my Negroe Woman Jeffery to her and her Heirs for ever and my Desire is that all my Hogs and Cattle beside what has been before mentioned to be sold to pay my Debts, further more my will and Desire is that my Negroe Woman Africa can be saved without being sold to pay Debts that than my will and Desire is that my Sister Drenweller Bryant shall have the said Wench, her and her Heirs Assigns for ever. Item I Give and bequeath to my loving knowen Mary M. Kinnie the Bed & Furniture whereon I now lie to her and her Heirs and Assigns for ever

I do hereby make null and Void all other Wills by me before
made I do ordain this my last Will and Testament
I do also appoint John Bradford and Henry Pope sole and sole
Executors of this my last Will and Testament In Witness where
of I have hereunto set my hand seal this 6th day of December
1757

Test
Benjaⁿ: Merriam

jos Lane

Barnabas Lane

David B^{ro} Dickson
Mark

Osgood
County

November Court 1758

The Within Will was in open Court
Exhibited on Oath by the Exors therein named
and proved by the Oath of Benjamin a Merriam
and Barnabas Lane, & the said Exors at the same
time refusing to take upon them the Admon thereof.
Therefore Admon with the Will Annex'd was granted
(on Motion) to William Lane next eldest Brother
& Prerogative Legatee to the V. Deed. & he having
given Bond &c as the Law directs, it is there-
upon Order'd to be certified

Test. Jos^{ph}: Montfort H.C.

James New

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