

**WILL OF**  
**JOSEPH DAVIS**

Wake Co., NC 1790  
Original Wills, 1771-1966  
CR 099.801.26

In the Name of God, Amen. I JOSEPH DAVIS of Wake County and State of N. Carolina being of Sound and perfect Memory Blefsed be God. Do this 7<sup>th</sup> July in the Year of our Lord one Thousand Seven hundred & Ninety Do make and publish this my Last Will and Testament. In manner following that is to say. I Leave the Plantation whereon I now Liveth Containing 337 Acres also Another Plantation I bought of JEREMIAH BAILEY 150 Acres, and 100 Acres on this Side the Road out of Hudpeth Tract to my Well beloved Wife her lifetime She making no waste nor Distruction and then to my Son EDWARD COX DAVIS and his heirs for Ever

Item. I Lend my Wife all my Negros Stock of Horfses Cattle Hogs, Sheep and household goods In order to Support and Maintain her children and if she should Marry. I leave her SUE and ISAAC during her Life. and if no children of Them to Return back to be Equally Divided among my children the rest of my Estate to be Equally divided among all my children BETTY HALL JOHN DAVIS JEFSE DAVIS OBEDIENCE DAVIS GLEFFERY DAVIS CHARITY DAVIS EDWARD COX DAVIS POLY DAVIS SALLEY DAVIS to be Equally Divided when EDWARD COX DAVIS comes of age if any of them Should change their circumstance of life my Wife and Executors may give them part of my Estate So that it don't exceed an Equal part.

Item. I give and devise to my Son JOHN DAVIS 480 Acres of Land on the South Side of the Road also 129 Acres of Land out of my last Survey on the East side of the new light Creek to him and his Heirs forever.

Item I give and devise to JEFSEE DAVIS a tract of Land on Buckorn? Creek containing 590 Acres . 129 acres out of my last Survey on the West side of the Newlight creek to him and his heirs forever. I want my Stallion and Blasé faced Mare and my Saddl Sold in order to buy a Couple of hands to put under an Overseer I Leave my Son JOHN DAVIS and JACOB HALL my Executors to this my last will and Testament to pay my debts and and to Received my out Standing debts. Sign'd Seald publish and Decar'd by the Said JOSEPH DAVIS the Testator as his last Will and Testament in presence of us

WILLIAM HALL JUN<sup>R</sup> (Jurat)

BETSEY HALL

JOS. DAVID (Seal) [signed w/signature]

ROBT JOPLIN (Jurat)

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Wake County

Sep<sup>r</sup> Term 1790

The within last Will and Testament was duly proved in Open Court by the Oathe of WILLIAM HALL JUN<sup>R</sup>. and ROBERT JOPLIN Witnesfses thereto and ordered to be Recorded

H. Lane C.C.

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Recorded in the Clerks Office in the County of Wake in Book C and page 110 the 5<sup>th</sup> day of  
Nov<sup>r</sup> 1790 ~ H. Lane C.C.

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