

ABSTRACTS
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ESTATE RECORDS OF
GRANVILLE COUNTY
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AGNES HUNT and son JAMES HUNT. Wts: JOHN MASSEY, WILLIAM HUNT, THOMAS HUNT, JOHN HOMES.

27- Nov. 16, 1750- proved. EDWARD JONES wills to eldest son SUGAR JONES the use of my rifle gun until my son EDWARD is 16, then to him; to my daughter PRISCILLA MACON, 5 shillings; to daughter SARAH JONES, a negro called Sarah and a mare called Swabtail and her two young colts, when she marries or attains age of 18 years; to daughter OBEDIENCE JONES, a negro called Ben and a mare called Pollywats and the increase, when daughter is 18 or marries; to son JAMES, a negro called George and a boy called Phill, and all land below Cabin Branch south of Deep Bottom to DANL. UNDERWOOD'S line, and a mare called Jamseys mare and a horse called Brandy, when he is 21; to son EDWARD JONES, the land whereon I now live and all land that belongs to it, about 852 acres, my grist mill, a mulatto girl called Alice, a mulatto man called Frank, and a negro man called Frank and a man called Gloster, and other horses, when 21 years old; to REBECCA JONES, a negro called Winney and a feather bed and furniture when she is 18 years old or married; son RABONE JONES; daughter ABAGAIL JONES; to my wife ABAGAIL for life or widowhood and then to my five children: SARAH, JAMES, ABAGAIL, RABONE, OBEDIENCE JONES; to son DANIEL JONES. Exrs: my son SUGAR JONES, my son-in-law GIDEON MACON, friend THOS. PARKER. Wts: DANIEL UNDERWOOD, JOHN MARTIN, JOHN BURT.

28- July 16, 1761- proved Aug. court 1761- (a date below Feb. ct. 1762?)- SUGAR JONES wills to son EDMUND JONES land on west side of Linches creek and all stock on that plantation, a negro woman and her five children, a mare and colt; to sons DREWRY, SAMUEL, and JAMES JONES, the remainder of my lands; to daughter MALLY, a negro girl; to son DREWRY, a negro boy; to son SAMUEL, a negro boy; to son JAMES, a negro girl; to the child my wife is now big with, a negro girl, to be purchased out of my estate; if child my wife big with is a boy, my executors to buy him a tract of land; my horse Spanko and filley Underwood sold for use of family; to my wife, all else of my estate for her lifetime and then

divided to my children: DREWRY, SAMUEL, JAMES, NANNEY and MOLLY and child my wife now big with. Exrs: my wife, GIDEON MACON, ADKIN McLEMORE - recorded Aug. 1761. Wts: SOLOMON ALSTON, JR., JAS. JONES, DAVID JONES.

29- Mar. 30, 1751--May 12, 1761- GEORGE JORDAN, SR. wills to GEORGE JORDAN, JR. all the money I loaned him toward reclaiming his negro Peter; to son ARTHUR JORDAN, a negro girl named Lucy; to daughter AMMI MYRICK, a negro boy named Sam; to daughter ELIZABETH GILLIAM, a negro called Einney; to son GEORGE, 3 negroes named Judy, Jenny, and Corindo; to wife SARAH JORDAN, all the rest of my estate for life, then the land whereon I live to go to my grandson, ROLAND, son of GEORGE JORDAN; to son ARTHUR, a negro called Frank; to daughter ELIZABETH GILLIAM, a negro Ben after death of my wife; to son GEORGE, negro Judy at death of my wife; daughter AMMI MYRICK to have 4 cows and calves at death of my wife; my wife to dispose of all else as she sees fit. Exrs: my wife SARAH JORDAN, son GEORGE JORDAN. Wts: ROBERT HARRIS, JR., LEMINDER HARRIS, MARY HARRIS.

30- Inventory taken August 9, 1761 of the estate of GEORGE JORDAN, SR., dec'd, presented to court Feb. 1762.

31- Dec. 26, 1761- proved Feb. court 1762- SARAH JORDIN (JORDAN, JOURDAIN) wills to ARTUR JORDEN, bed and furniture, 4 barrels of corn, 5 hogs, other stock; to son GEORGE, a bed and furniture; to daughter ELIZABETH GILLIAM, a case of bottles, a spinning wheel, horse and saddle, 4 barrels of corn, 4 hogs; to daughter AMEY MIRICK, 2 cows; to granddaughter PATTEY GILLIAM, a bed and furniture, 4 pewter dishes, 12 plates, a pot and pan. Exr: son GEORGE JORDAN. Wts: CUTHBIRD HUDSON, AGNES MOSS.

32- June 5, 1769- July court 1770- recorded by ISAAC EDWARDS, C.C. FRANCIS LANDRESS wills that all horses, cattle, sheep, all working tools belonging to the plan-

tation be divided to my three sons: ABRAHAM, JOSEPH, and JACOB LANDRESS, with 15 pds. drawn out of ABRAHAM'S share that he has already had, and that my son JOSEPH shall have a colt if there be one, and if not a cow and calf extra of his share; to my daughters MARY and BETTY to be paid 40 pds. between them out of JOHN'S bond and what is in ROBERT HARRIS'S hand and if what is in ROBERT HARRIS'S hands and my son JOHN'S bond is not enough to pay this, then my sons shall be obliged to make it up out of their shares; to sons ABRAHAM, JOSEPH, and JACOB, the middle iron pot, six pewter plates, one basin and the bed that they lie on and all that is in the chest excepting my own clothes, equally divided between them, all the english books and a skillet. Exr: NICHOLAS HOLSTON. Wts: WILLIAM JACOB, ANNE JACOB.

33- Sept. 6, 1765- proved August court 1766- WILLIAM LAWRENCE wills that all debts paid by selling the 90 acres I bought of SAMUEL KITTRELL and 65 acres adjoining the plantation whereon I now live, two horses and a mare, two cows and calves; to my wife DEBORAH, all the remaining part of my lands, stock of cattle, hogs, horses, all household furniture, for her lifetime; then at her death, to go to all my children (not named). Exrs: SAMUEL FULLER and wife DEBORAH LAWRENCE. Wts: HENRY FULLER, WILLIAM SPEARS, MATHEW CARLOS.

34- August 3, 1762- proved August 1762- DENNIS LINSEY wills to son WILLIAM LINSEY my horse, bridle and a saddle, my wearing clothes, my rifle and 19 hogs; to son BENJAMIN, 200 acres whereon I now live and 2 hogs and pigs; to daughter MARY LINSEY, a bed and furniture, an iron pot, and remaining part of my household goods to be divided between MARY and my daughter WINNEY LINSEY; to daughter ELIZABETH, 2 sheep, one ram, one ewe, and five barrels of Indian corn; to daughter CATERN, five shillings; to daughter MARGIT, all working tools on plantation; (a name here I can't read) gives to this one (?) a cow and calf and remainder of cattle to be equally divided to MARY and SIGNEY (?); to ROBERT PHILLUPS, the care of my daughter MARY and her estate until she is 16 years old or married; the EPHRAIM CLANTON to care for my son BENJAMIN and daughter WINNEY and their

estates till they are of age and to teach my son BENJAMIN the carpenter's trade and, if not, then my son WILLIAM to care for my son BENJAMIN and his estate till he is 18 years old and my daughter WINNEY to have her estate and be free at age 16; BENJAMIN PHILLUPS to have use of plantation until BENJAMIN is 18 years old; my sons-in-law ROBT PHILLUPS, EPHRAIM CLANTON, and ROGER THORNTON, trustees for my children. Exrs: the above trustees, my sons-in-law. Wts: JAMES ROBUCK, JOHN ROBUCK, AARON FUSSELL.

35- Feb. 1, 1761- May 1761 proved. ALEXANDER McMILLION wills to wife PHEBE my land and plantation, all goods and chattels during her lifetime and at her death to my son AMON McMILLION, the plantation which is 100 acres of land; to son ALEXANDER, JR., 100 acres adjoining AMON'S land; my wife PHEBE to provide for and give unto my son HENRY BUTLER McMILLION a horse; to son MATHEW, after wife's death, a pistol; to daughter SUSANNAH BECKHAM, a pistole; to daughter YOURRUTH (?) BRISKIT, a pistole; to my youngest children, after death of PHEBE, my wife, all goods and chattels remaining. Exrs: sons MATHEW and JAMES McMILLION. Wts: JOHN MCGREGORY, ROBT. WILLIAMS, WILLIAM GLOVER.

36- Dec. 20, 1761- proved Feb. court 1762- GIDEON MACON wills to his son HARRISON MACON 400 acres of land on north side of Tarr river; to son JOHN MACON, that tract of land on both sides of Shocko creek on courthouse road; to son NATHANIEL, all remainder of above tract of land on both sides of Shocko creek and above courthouse road and 500 acres of land on both sides of Hobquarter creek, my blacksmith tools, after death of my wife, PRISCILLA MACON; to son GIDEON MACON, all plantation and land whereon I now live; if any of my sons die without lawful issue, that part or parts of estate is to be divided between those surviving; to my daughter SALLEY, 3 negroes; to daughter MARTHA, 3 negroes; to daughter MARY, 3 negroes; to son HARRISON MACON, 3 negroes; to son JOHN, 3 negroes; to son NATHANIEL, 3 negroes; to son GIDEON, 3 negroes; to my wife PRISCILLA MACON during her lifetime, the use of my Manor plantation and six negroes, and at her death the

negroes divided to my seven youngest children and as each arrive to full age, to receive 1/8th of all stock and household goods; my wife PRISCILLA is to receive and use the profits of the legacies of my children for rearing the children until of age. Exrs: my wife PRISCILLA and my son-in-law JOHN ALLSTONE, and WILLIAM JOHNSON. Wts: JOHN CLACK, JOSEPH KING, JOSEPH PARHAM.

37- Sept. 5, 1763- proved November court 1763- JOHN MENSRAW wills that all debts be paid by my brother PETER to whom I give 500 acres of land whereon he now lives in Granville Co., N. C.; to my brother WILLIAM, 100 acres out of above mentioned tract adjoining COOKE'S line and my father and mother are not to be interrupted during lifetime but to remain on tract of land; to brother PETER MENSRAW (or MEWSRAW?) my mare, saddle, bridle, and all cattle except one cow and calf which I give my sister RUTH; to my brother PETER, all working tools, a pair of buckskin breeches, a holland shirt, a pair of check linne trousers and a neck band and my father to have all the rest of my clothes; I desire my brother PETER to settle all my affairs as an executor and to be kind to my mother and father and to each other. Wts: SAML WHITEHEAD, JOHN RAYMAN.

38- Mar. 1, 1770- proved April court 1770- MILHAIS MIARS wills to his grandson MILHIAS COCKELREAN, son of TABOLT COCKELRAN, 100 acres on north side of Mill creek in Granville Co. adjoining SHEARMON'S land; to my wife MARY MIARS, all rest of my estate except that I have already given away and, at her death, that MICHALL COCKELREAN shall have this plantation and my mill, also a negro boy called Tomas and one called Jack and TABOLT COCKELREAN to have a negro called Nell and all stock divided between TABOLT and MICHALL; (name may be COCKELREECE). Exrs: my son MICHALL COCKELREECE and my wife MARY MYARS. Wts: THOS. OAKLEY, NAHAM SAUNDERS (LANDERS).

39- May 4, 1751- proved Dec. court 1751- ROBERT MITCHELL wills to wife CATHERINE, a negro named Sambo and one named Lindar and at her death, the negro Linda to go to my son JOHN and to my wife all household goods

and wares and all movable estate to be disposed of as she wish; to son DANIEL, a negro, a tract of land in Lunenburg Co., Virginia opposite my old plantation and which 286 acres I have delivered a patent to son DANIEL MITCHELL and another tract on both sides of Island creek in the said county containing 134 acres for which I gave him a patent; to my son ROBERT, a negro and land on south side of Roanok river in Lunenburg Co., Va. for 490 acres; to son ISAAC, a negro and on both sides of Island creek in Granville Co., N. C., containing 600 acres; to my son JOHN, land on both sides of Island creek in Granville Co., N. C., containing 350 acres; to my daughter SUSANNAH GLOVER, a negro slave; to daughter PHEBE GLOVER, a negro slave and to the heirs of her; to daughter MARY MITCHELL, to her and her heirs, a negro slave; to daughter, MATTHA MITCHELL, and her heirs, a negro slave; my stock and movable property to be distributed by my friends JACOB MITCHELL and ISAAC MITCHELL of Lunenburg Co., Virginia, and they my executors. Wts: REUBEN SEARCY, JOSIAH MITCHELL, DAVID MITCHELL.

40- Jan. 11, 1761- proved Feb. 10, 1761- WILLIAM MOORE wills to his son RICHARD that land allotted to him and known as his plantation where WILLIAM NICHOLS did live, and a cow and calf, 1 large leather bottom chair, one dish and one bed; to my son WILLIAM, the land adjoining his brother RICHARD which he has cleared which land is to be divided by WILLIAM JOHNSTON, esq., and JOSEPH HACKNEY, also a cow and calf and a large leather bottom chair and a dish, bed, and furniture; to son JAMES, the land I bought of MATHIS, a cow and calf and a large leather bottom chair, a dish; to son JOHN, the plantation I now live on as soon as he has judgment sufficient to run it and the house thereon is to be his mother's during her life or widowhood, then to him, also cow and calf, bed and furniture, 2 sows and pigs and some pewter at decision of his mother, also a bare mare; to daughters (the two eldest) HOLLEY and SARAH, 40 shillings between them; to daughter EDNEY, a cow and calf, two heiffers, 2 sows and pigs; to my wife, all else of my estate and, at her death, to my two youngest daughters SUSANNAH and ANNE. Exr: my son WILLIAM MOORE. Wts: WILLIAM JOHNSON, WILLIAM MOORE.