John Henry Davis



No Picture Available Born: 1725 NC Married: Elizabeth Lnu Died: 5 Dec 1793 Parents: Unknown

68 yrs ol

Last Will & Testament of John Davis

I, John Davis, Being as I expect a leaving this life I recommend mysoul to God that gave it and my Body to the Dust and to His world. Concerns Idispose of as follows: (Viz) After my lawful Debts is paid, I give my True and Loving wife, Elizabeth Davis, one Negro woman named Phoeby, and one Negro boy named Adam; I give mysons Joseph, John, James, William & Samuel, ten pounds each, and George and Walter, twenty pounds each. My daughter, Nancy, twenty pounds, William Osteen,ten pounds, or at that rate equally divided according to the amount of theEstate. And respecting my lands at Buckhead, according to my Contract withWilliam and Samuel, paying what monies I owe for said lands, it shall be their Right and Property. To my son, Walter, I give the Plantation we now live on, and the lands'round about to George. The Boat shall be divided between William, Samuel, George and Walter.

May the 30th 1793 Witnesses present, signed: Joseph Davis George Davis Agnes Davis Elizabeth Osteen

We the subscribers, believing this Testament to be the Will & Desire of our Deceased Father, do freely and voluntary agree that the same shouldbe executed agreeable to the Tennor of the same, witness our hands this 9th day of Sept 1793.

Signed: Joseph Davis John Davis Samuel Davis Walter Davis George Davis Nancy Davis William Davis

State of Georgia, Effingham County: Personally appeared Mr. Joseph Davis and made Oath & Declared that at the request of his Father, John Davis, deceased, he wrote the within as his Last Will & Testament, and he believes that he was in his perfect senses at the time he wrote, and that it is as he desired him to write it, and after he wrote it he did read it to him and he was satisfied, but did not sign it, and the within named or signed as witnesses was present and that he was satisfied, names as thus, Joseph Davis, George Davis, Agnus Davis, and Elizabeth Osteen. Sworn before me this 27th Jan 1794

Signed: Joseph Davis A. C. Revost, R.P.E.C.

Information from online research. Note that he leaves 20 pounds to one John O'Steen who was married to his daughter, Elizabeth, who served as a witness to his signature.