

Kent, Joseph

1789

Joseph Kent will (1789), Bertie County, North Carolina, call no. WB-D/103, State Archives of North Carolina, 109 E. Jones St., Raleigh, NC 27601, Phone: (919) 807-7310, Fax: (919) 733-1354, email: archives@ncdcr.gov, call no. WB-D/103, digital image of original will.

In the name of god Amen the Twentieth six Day of
October 1787 I Joseph Kent of North Carolina in
the County of Bertie planter being very rich and
weak in body but of perfect mind and memory thanks
be given to god therefore calling to mind the mortali-
ty of body and knowing that it is appointed for all
men once to Die do make and Ordain this my last will
and testament that is to say principally and first of
all I give and recommend my soul into the hands of
god who gave it and my body I recommend to the earth
to be buried in decent Christian burial at the Dis-
cretion of my Exors nothing doubting but at the general
Resurrection I shall receive the same by the mighty
Power of god and as touching such worldly estate where
with it hath pleased god to bless me in this life I
give demise and Dispose the same in the following
manner and imprimis I give and bequeath unto my
Dear beloved wife Marshal Kent one negro boy called
swor one negro boy called oston one negro boy called
ned one negro wench called peg one negro girl called
Piner one negro girl called mol one negro girl called
Dol and three feather beds and furniture and all furni-
ture belonging to the house and Cart's plowshoes
and axes and all Essentials belonging to the planta-
tion three head of horses all the cattel and all the
hogs and sheep belonging to me to her and her heirs
for ever I send unto my wife the land and planta-
tion During her life and after her Death I give
the said Land unto Frederick Lawrence and his

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Ordain George Ryan and Frederick Lawrence and my
wife Rachel Kent sole Executors of this my last
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allow revoke disannull all and every other former
Testaments wills Legacies and requests ratifying
Confirming this and no other to be my last will
and Testament in witness whereof I have hereunto
set my hand and seal the Day and year above
Written

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pronounced and delivered }
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mark } Joseph Kent seal

Alex^r Slaughter
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Th^s Johnson
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