

## Christopher Hussey Will

Christopher Hussey wrote his will April 1, 1773, after his area of Orange County had been set off to create Guilford County. The will read:

"Whereas Christopher Husey of Guilford County in North Carolina, yeoman, being weak in body, but in perfect mind and memory and takeing to confirmation the certainty of death and uncertainty of life, hath thought good to make order and appoint this my last will and testament in manner and form following, Revokeing and disannuling all maner of will or wills before by me made, this only to be my last will and testament--Imprimis:

"I comit my soul to almighty God who gave it me and my body to be decently buried by my sons, Stephen Husey, Solomon Cox and Joseph Comer, whome I appoint my executors to see the accomplishment of this, my last will and testament and make full satisfaction for all funerell charges and other worldly debts every where to be paid--and it is my will and desire that my executors shall take out a Deed for a tract of land, where Samuel Hendricks now lives, provided that if the same can be obtained upon entry by me before the land office was Shut, and it is my will that if the said Deed is obtained, that my said Executors Shall make a Deed for a part thereof to Robert Hodgins a minor to his heirs and assigns. I will also that the said Robert Hodgins pay the half of all the costs that have already been and Shall hereafter be in takeing out the said Deed, otherwise my Executors shall be under no obligation to make a Deed to the Said Hodgins, and it is my will that my Said Executors Shall make a division line between the place whereon I live and the place where my son, Stephen formerly lived and that in such a form as may be most profitable to both places in their Judgement and So as to make up in my Son, Stephen's place with an adition of the north end of the new Survay two hundred acres of land, and it is my will that my Executors shall sell the Said place of two hundred acres of land where my Son, Stephen formerly lived at, Either privet or publick Sale at aney time or in what manner they shall think most proper, and it is my will that after Sale is made of the aforesaid tract of land that my Executors shall take their pay out of the price thereof for their trouble at their discretion and the Remainder part of the price of the Said Land to be equally divided in four parts, one part thereof I give to my Son, Stephen Husey, and other three parts I give to Daughters, Viz: Elizabeth Comer, Naomi Cox and Ann Hodgins. I leave and give to Anne Husey, my beloved wife, one fether bed bed furniture, and I leave and give to my Son, Christopher Husey, one fether Bed bed furniture. I leave and give to Anne Husey, my beloved wife, a third part of all the remainder part of my

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personal estate to be divided by an appraisement in the following maner--Viz: to be appraised by two divout men, one to be appointed by my beloved wife and the other to be appointed by my Executors and then her part to be devided off and all the remainder part of my personal estate I leave and give to my son, Christopher Husey and I leave and give to my Son, Christopher, all the plantation and tract of land whereon I live excluding only what is before mentioned, to him, his Heirs and asigns for ever, provided that he shall allow and shall not debar my wife of the benefits of the third part thereof during her lifetime. In witness whereof I have herewith set my Hand and Seal this first day of the fourth month, in the year of our Lord one thousand Seven hundred and Seventy-three.

Witnessed by: Christopher Hussey"

William Wireman

Samuel Penrose

(his mark)

Mary Penrose

..(her mark)

"Guilford County, North Carolina Will Abstracts" by Irene B. Webster show

"Samuel Hendrix and Mary Hendrix, witnesses."

Probate was recorded by the court in May 1774 with the following:

"North Carolina Guilford County, May Court, 1774

"Then the written will of Christopher Hussey was proved in Open Court by the oath of William Wireman on motion, ordered to be recorded. [two illegible words] Stephen Hussey, Solomon Cox, Joseph Comer who was by Said Testator appointed his Executors agreeable to law."

Test

L. W. Henderson, CC"

Whereas Christopher Hussey of Guilford County in North  
 Carolina yeoman being weak in body but in perfect mind and memory  
 and taking to consideration the Certainty of death and the uncertainty  
 of life, hath thought good to make order and appoint this my last  
 will and testament in manner and form following. Revoking and  
 annulling all manner of will or wills before by me made. This only  
 to be my last will and testament inprimis - -  
 I Commit my soul to almighty God who gave it me and my body  
 to be decently buried by my son Stephen Hussey Solomon Cox and Joseph  
 Corner whom I appoint my Executors to see the accomplishment  
 of this my last will and testament and make full satisfaction for  
 all funerall Charges and other worldly debts Every where to be paid - -  
 and it is my will and desire that my Executors shall take out a Fee  
 for a tract of Land where Samuel Henricks now Lives provided that  
 if the same can be obtained upon an entry by me made before the  
 Land office was shut, and it is my will that if the said Fee is  
 obtained, that my said Executors shall make a Fee for a part thereof  
 to the said Robert Hodgins, and to the said Robert Hodgins shall the  
 said Robert Hodgins shall the half of all the costs that he  
 shall have been and shall hereafter be in taking out the said Fee other  
 wise my Executors shall be under no obligation to make a Fee  
 to the said Hodgins, and it is my will that my said Executors  
 shall make a division line between the place where I live and  
 the place where my son Stephen formerly lived and that in such  
 a form as may be most profitable to both places in their Judgment  
 and so as to make up in my son Stephens old place with an  
 addition of the north end of the new Survey to him and across of the  
 same it is my will that my Executors shall sell the said place,  
 to him or to any other person whom my son Stephen formerly lived at  
 either private or publick Sale at any time or in what manner  
 shall think most proper, and it is my will that after Sale is made  
 of the above said tract of Land that my Executors shall take their pay  
 out of the price thereof for their trouble at their discretion, and the  
 Remainder part of the price of the said Land to be equally divided in  
 four parts, one part thereof I give to my son Stephen Hussey and  
 the other three parts I give to my son Joseph Hussey and  
 Joseph Corner whom I appoint my Executors.

Christopher Hussey

Guilford Co N.C

Edw and Anne Hussey I have and give unto my beloved wife one father bed and bed furniture and I have and give unto Christopher Hussey one father bed and bed furniture. I have and give unto Anne Hussey my beloved wife a third part of all the Remainder part of my personal Estate to be Divided by an appointment in the following manner viz: to be appraised by two Jurors one to be appointed by my beloved wife and the other to be appointed by my Son and then her part to be Divided of, and all the Remainder part of my personal Estate I have and give to my Son Christopher Hussey and I have and give to my Son Christopher all the plantation tract of Land whereon I live excluding only what is before mentioned to him his Heirs and assigns for ever provided that he shall allow and shall not detain my wife of the benefits of the third part thereof during her Lifetime. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this first Day of the fourth month in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and Seventy three

Edw Hussey  
Witness my hand and Seal this first Day of the fourth month in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and Seventy three

Will. Alderman (Juror)  
Samuel Parsons  
Henry Parsons

Christopher Hussey

1773

Northampton, 20 May 1774

From the within will of Christopher  
Hayden was found in your County by  
the said William Newman for the  
purpose to be done in the said

Christopher Hayden for the same  
by the said Testator appointed his Executor  
agreeable to Law

Test  
Jno Henderson CC

Christopher Hayden  
Will  
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