

Marriage Contract between Catherine Barbee and Merritt Roberson
May 18, 1837
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Know all Men by these presents that we Merritt Roberson of the County of Orange and State of North Carolina of the one part, and Katherine Barbee of the County of Chatham and State aforesaid of the other part Witnesseth that whereas the said parties have consented, contracted and agreed that a marriage Shall be celebrated between them for and in consideration of the intended marriage aforesaid and as an inducement for the said Katherine to consent and agree to the Same it is covenanted bargained and agreed that the said Katherine notwithstanding her intended coverture shall possess use and enjoy all the estate both real and personal all her choses in action and all other estate whatever whether the same be in possession reversion or remainder which she may be entitled to at the said marriage and the Said Katherine shall have exclusive power during the intended coverture aforesaid to dispose of said Estate by Will, Deed, gift, contract Sale or otherwise and if the said Katherine Should die without disposing of said property that then and in that case the said Merritt Roberson shall immediately convey and deliver the same to Isaiah G. Barbee or his heirs all the estate and property aforesaid. In Testimony Whereof the said parties have hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals in Chatham County the 18th day of May A.D. 1837...

Merritt Roberson (SEAL)

Catherine Barbee (SEAL)

Test- Wm Minter Burns (JURAT)
Chatham County, August ... 1837

The execution of this Marriage contract was duly initiated in open court and proved by the oath of Wm Minter Burns a Subscribing witness ... and ordered to be registered