

In the name of God amen. I Saml. G. Taylor of Bath Town
in ye County of Beaufort and province of N. Carolina being sick
& weak but of sound mind & memory thanks be to God do make & ordain
this my last Will and Testament in manner & form following (to wit)
After recommending my Soul to ye Almighty God my Desire is ye
my Body may be buried in a decent and Christian like manner at ye
Discretion of my Exor. in ye Parish Church of St Thomas in ye Co
untly aforesd by ye side of my Dec^d Wife Mary Taylor.

And as to what Worldly Goods, I am possessed of I lend give Devise
& bequeath in manner and form following to wit

Inprimis my Will and Desire is ye immediately after my Death
my Exor. take a just Inventory of all my Estate and return ye same
into Court and collect my Debts from those indebted to me and
discharge all my Lawful Debts in ye quickest & speedist manner

Item I give and bequeath to my God Daughter Nancy Ormond
Twenty pounds proc. money to be paid into ye Hands of her Father
Wyriott Ormond for her use when she arrives at ye age of Seven
Years all ye remainder of my Estate real and personal I give
& bequeath to my House Keeper Sarah Adams to her & her heirs
forever. and I do hereby appoint ye sd Sarah Adams Exor.
of this my last Will and Testament revoking and making Void
all and every other Will or Wills.

In Witness whereof I ye sd Saml. G. Taylor do hereunto set my
hand & seal this Sixth Day of February In ye year of our Lord 1764
Samuel G. Taylor O

Signed sealed published
& delivered in ye presence
of
Alex Stewart
Thos Littlefair
A. Mc Cracken

Beaufort County ss. December Inferior Court 1764
Present his Majesty's Justices

These are to Certify that the within Will was proved in Open Court
by the oath of the Reverend Alex Stewart according to Law and the will
in mentioned Sarah Adams Qualified an Exor to the same

Wyriott Ormond C. J. C.

By the Grace of God Amen I Joseph Slade of Beaufort
County in the Province of North Carolina Planter being sick
and weak but of sound mind and memory considering my
own natural Frailty of life doe now make this my last Will
and Testament first and foremost committing my Soul into the
hands of Almighty God hoping for a remission of all my Sins
in and by the merits of my blessed Savior and Redeemer the Lord
Jesus Christ and then committing my body to the earth from whence
it was derived and in hopes of a Glorious Resurrection at Christs Se
cond appearing my Will is that after my body is decently Interred
according to the direction of my Executors hereafter named and my
funeral Charges and other Just debts paid - I give unto my loving
Wife Ann Slade one negro man named Quaco one bed and four
linen. Item I give to my Son William Slade the Plantation
whereon I now dwell containing Three hundred and fifty acres of
Land to him his heirs and assigns forever. likewise I give to my said
Son William Slade one negro girl named Dinah and one feather bed
Item I give to my Son Harmon Slade one pece of Land lying
upon Little Contentment on the East Side of the Creek containing
Two hundred acres of Land which I bought of my brother John
Slade to him his heirs and assigns forever. and one negro girl
named Easter. and one feather bed and one Gun which I bought of
Capt Groe. Item I give to my Son Benjamin the
Plantation or parcel of Land lying on Blounts Creek on the South
East side which was bequeathed to me by my brother John
Slade to him the said Benjamin his heirs and assigns forever
and one negro boy named Cesar and one feather bed. and one
yearling horse with the pole of my riding mare
Item I give to my Son Joseph Slade and my Daughter Mary
Slade one negro woman named Phebe and her Increase from
this date to be equally Divided between said Son Joseph and
my said Daughter Mary Slade when she arrives to the age of
Eighteen years.

Item my Will is that if either of my Sons to wit. William
Harmon or Benjamin die before they arrive to the years of
Twenty one or without Lawful Issue that then the Land I ha
ve given to either of them shall be and I hereby give it to my
son Joseph Slade to him his heirs and assigns forever