

RECORD OF WILLS.

State of North Carolina
Bladen County

In the name of God Amen

I William Burney of the County aforesaid being in perfect Health of body and right memory but calling to mind that it is appointed for all men once to die do therefore settle my business after the manner hereafter named.

First of all I recommend my Soul to God that gave it and my body to be buried at the discretion of my friends or Executors hereafter named and as to my worldly goods which it hath pleased God to bless me with I give and dispose of in the manner and form following -

After all my just debts paid and general exp-
enses I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Elizabeth the Married Dotation which I now live and my black horse with a saddle and bridle.

I give and bequeath to my eldest son James one hundred acres of land joining David Chipman's lands near the mouth of the Neuse River to him his heirs and assigns forever.

I give and bequeath to my son William his heirs and assigns forever three hundred and thirty acres of land on the West Side of Waccamaw Lake or Bogus Swamp.

I give and bequeath to my son Arthur his heirs and assigns forever the one half of the tract of land wherein my father now lives at the upper end be it more or less.

I give and bequeath to my son Samuel his heirs and assigns forever a tract of fifty acres of land on the West Side of the White Oak River wherein Jeremiah Digford now lives.

I further give and bequeath to my son James fifty acres of land to him and his heirs forever on the east side of Richland Branch.

I give and bequeath to each of my eldest sons viz James William and Arthur one Quarter each of my
and Furniture.

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I likewise give and bequeath after my father's decease to my above said three eldest sons his three divided about among them one negro man named.

Prince at this time a boy and after my decease and my father's for a negro man named Sam to be at his own disposal and not be made a slave and such chattels as belong to me at this not to be divided to my eldest sons and all the rest of my cattle to be equally divided among all my children.

Then

I give and bequeath to my father one mare a dark bay with a star in her forehead and a snip on her nose named Stockings and all the rest of my horses and mares I desire they may be equally divided amongst all my children and all the rest of my estate to be equally divided amongst my wife and children.

I do likewise appoint and empower my Brother Samuel Burney and Duncan King to be my whole and sole Executors of this my last Will and Testament making all other Wills and do confirm this to be my last.

In witness whereof I have set my hand and seal this the 13th day of June one thousand seven hundred and Eighty Three.

Jeremiah Digford } William ^{his} Burney Sen^r }
Mary White } ^{more}