

In the name of God our m. This 9th day of December in the year of
our Lord 1823. I站着 at the end of the County of Mecklenburg in the
State of North Carolina being very sick & weak in body. last of
a year, it stand mind & memory thankful to God & calling
to mind my mortality or that it is appointed for all men
to die. Do make & ordain this my last Will & Testament in
the following manner & form - First of commanding
my soul to God who gave it, my body to the earth to be
buried in a decent manner, & of nothing left to require
the same again at the general Resurrection by the mighty
power of God hoping through the merits of his & passion
of my Lord & Saviour Jesus Christ to receive a full & free
pardon of all my sins & at last to inherit everlasting life
And as touching such worldly goods as God hath blessed me
with in this life I give divine &人间的 in following manner
and, among first it is my will and I order that all my just
debts & personal expenses unpaid & satisfied by my executors
hereafter named - .

Item. I give & bequeath to my living wife Anna all the dwelling
house whereon I now live with part of the improvements
beginning at 110 Rogers lane in the same bearing a straight
up and down back, along the field between the barn and the
back road which I reserve for my son Joseph Hart, with the
land here to extend to the head of my improvement but don't
gather from Anna & Co off to Gibbons lane. one negro man
named Jack, and one dog which a son had, one horse
in corn羞羞, one iron & Hatchet fit for the field inclu-
ding chains & Collar, one box, and Mallet in box, one leather
box, and furniture thereto belonging, one cupboard and
what it contains, two hats & a coat each, one box in
one store, two mattocks, two ears with hounds with good
cuts of hair & iron, a bushel of wheat out of the crop now
in the ground & forage bats & sledges sufficient for these

to die, Do make & ordain this my last Will & Testimony in
the following manner. Item - First of commanding of
my soul to God who gave it, my body to the Earth to be
buried in a decent manner & of a fitting brest to receive
the same again at the General Resurrection by the mighty
power of God helping through the merits & passion
of my Lord & Saviour Jesus Christ to receive a full & free
pardon of all my sins & at last to inherit everlasting life
And as touching such worldly estate as God hath blessed me
with in this life I Give devise & bequeath in following manner
and, know first it is my will and I Order that all my just
Debts & several expenses incurred & satisfied by my executors
hereafter needed - .

Item. I Give & bequeath to my loving wife Anna the dwelling
house wherein I now live with part of the improvements
beginning at Mr. Byrd's barn in the long building a straight
up sand lane leading the field between the barn and the
breastwork which I reserve for my son Joseph Hart, in the
said barn to extend to the head of my improvement next C. &
Cathys farm thence & soe to Gilmore's barn. One negro man
named Jack, and one doge named Wash a small black, one horse
one cowe, one sheep & flocking of fit for the field includ-
ing chains & butter, one bag, one M attack iron Hoe, one halberd
and, furniture thereto belonging, one Cupboard and
what it contains, two bats first p at each. One large iron
or other, two nest bags, two Ears with Lamb with yester
and a bushel of corn & fifteen bushels of wheat out of the Crop now
in the ground & forage bats & sledges sufficient for these
years Cattle & sheep are allowed to be at no charge
and except the land & negroes - .

Item. I give & bequeath to my Daughter Hannah one acre land
in said wife and at her desire to clear & her daughter because
Grandchild would be born in said house. You may think right clearing
her natural life there said to be worth Her to clear to h

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Daughter the Negro boy and said Negro boy named Will to
descend to his daughter Rebecca & pay her there to compensation
H.M. I give & bequeath to my loving son Joseph Martin at his
Mother deceased the one half of the plantation on which I now
live both in quantity & quality and the use of the little field
to him the same with the building shop & house during
his mother's lifetime one negro woman named Ag. 4 year
old negro boy named Will binding the said son Joseph to pay
25 dollars against the 25th of each Month and 25 dollars
against that day further months deducting what he shall
spend out of the above sum. Likewise I give to my above
named son 5 Bushels of wheat with one bushel of corn
to him this his Heirs forever.

H.M. I give & bequeath to my loving son Ephraim one negro man
now binding him the said Ephraim to pay 25 dollars
against the 23rd of the present month & 90 dollars against
that day further months and out his mother deceased the Negro
woman named Bess and his chosen either to take the sum
back now in his possession or the sum of a negro child that
she would have given to him for his daughter Savannah during
his mother Smith work binding life. To him the above sum
H.M. I give & bequeath unto my son Eli one Negro man named
Charles & Negro boy named Will binding the sum it's to pay.
My Daughter Rebecca in two years after my decease forty
Dollars now due to my Estate and those years after my decease
20 Dollars of said above sum to descend to my Grand daughter
Lydia also my Daughter Rebecca Daughter and all above
to him and his Heirs forever.

H.M. I give & bequeath to my loving son Ezekiel one Negro man
named Will one Negro boy named Ben and the Plantation
on which I now live bounded by 98 acres & all the land
by this decree the Negro boy named Ben to descend to
his daughter Savannah binding him my said son Ezekiel
to pay the sum of 25 dollars

quantity & quality and the use of the little field
to till the same with the colored Negro boy he was during
his mother's lifetime an Negro boy named Eg. H. one
Negro boy named E. B. binding the said son Joseph to pay
25 dollars against the 25th of April next and 25 dollars
against that day for the month of January to pay him
paid out of the above sum. Likewise I give to my son
Joseph son of Joseph with one hundred & five dollars
to him this his son is forced.

Mrs. I give & bequeath to my loving son Ephraim one negro man
now binding him the said Ephraim to pay 25 dollars
against the 23rd of the present month \$90 dollars against
that day of April in the sum of his master's class or the Negro
which named best and his master either to take the sum
back now in his possession or the sum of a negro child that
the master may have for his daughter Sarah the Negro
wife of his master with work working tips. Also in the sum of one
hundred & five dollars unto my son the one Negro man named
Charles V Negro boy named Will binding the son it to pay
my Daughter Rebecca in two years after my death forty
Dollars now due to my estate and three years after my death
20 Dollars of said above sum to be paid to my Grand Daughter
Lydia also my Daughter Rebecca Daughter and all above
to him and his heirs forever.

Mrs. I give & bequeath to my loving son Eg. the Negro man
named Will Vone Negro boy named Will binding the said
negro boy to his master by 98 acres of the said
negro boy to his master the Negro boy named Will to demand to
his master for a month binding in my said son Eg. to
pay the sum of 25 dollars against the 25th day of the
January next with 4 dollars to be paid in January
and on the first of the present date the above to him and
his heirs forever.

Mrs. I give & bequeath to my loving daughter Rebecca one Negro
woman and to her husband if the said woman should remain

achild to succeed to the use of her body & by the end to
her and her heirs forever —

I give & bequeath to my loving daughter Mary all his mother
the tenth part of the plantation on which I now live both
in quantity & quality one negro woman called Annah, one
bed & furniture Chest & Table one bay filly saddle & bridle
two horses with colts, two ewes with lambs, ten bushels of
corn compact one peck & forty five bushels of wheat & one set
Huf to her & the use of her rooms while single to her and her
heirs forever —

Item. As so far the residue of my estate it is my Will & Order that after
the payment of my debts & funeral expenses to be equally divided
between my wife & all my Children by Valuation —

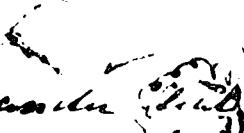
I make remonstrance, consternation & represent my will before
Jens Epeserion Alexander & Joseph Alexander Executors of
this my last will & Testament, hereby making and
determining all former Wills & legacies made by me
hereafter written by hand or writing, Ratifying & confirming
this and notwithstanding my last will and Testament
signed sealed pronounced and declared by me
said Person Alexander as his last will & Testament
is superseded and of date other

My Gracious

Joseph Gratiot

Josephine Gratiot

Alexander



In the name of God amen I declare & make of the County
of Mecklenburg State of North Carolina being in perfect
mind & memory do constitute this my last will & Testament
and first of all I resign my soul to God that gave it & my body
to the grave according thereto to be disposed at the just
day of Judgment but with respect to my worldly goods
I give & bequeath them as follows — And in the first place
I leave my Waggon & other property such as the Planting

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Two horses with Calves, two horses with foals, ten Bushels of
Pearl corn pot, one Pot & a half 5 bushels of wheat & one peck
Hog to have & the use of his room while single to her and her
Heirs for evermore.

Item. As soon as the residue of my estate it is my Will & Order that after
the payment of my debts & funeral expenses to be equally divided
between my wife & all my Children by Valuation -

Item. I name Remmick, constable, I appoint my home between
John Epes & Alexander Higginbotham Executors of
this my last will & Testament, hereby revoking and
disowning all former wills & legacies made by me.
I do further declare by word & writing, Ratifying & confirming
this and no other to be my last will and Testament
I had sealed pronounced and declared by me
in presence of the undersigned and of each other
John Graham, Joseph Graham,
Griffith Graham, Anne Higginbotham
In the Name of God I make & publish this under of the County
of Mecklenburg State of North Carolina, Being in perfect
Mind & memory Do constate this my last will & Testament
and first of all I assign my soul to God that gave it & my body
to the grave hereafter, they shall be directed at the just
day of Judgment - but with respect to my worldly goods
I give & bequeath them as follows - And in the first place
I leave my Waggon & other property such as the Enclosure
may think can be best suited to be sold & call my lawful
Debt paid from this will & in case there may be left by selling
such & inable what ever to be entirely at my disposal with
the following exceptions viz the rest of my Estate I leave
each of my Children intermixing in equal parts to have one
Part or share & also agree to and desire that my

Joseph Graham,

Anne Higginbotham

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of Mecklenburg State of North Carolina, Being in perfect
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the following exceptions viz the rest of my Estate I leave
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Part or share & also agree to and desire that my

Beloved wife Together with my beloved son John Dillinger
To be my executors of this my last will and testament
Signed & sealed in the presence of
the 16th day of May 1815.

John Dillinger & Elizabeth Alexander (Seal)
Peggy Dillinger

In the name of God our savior. The 16th day of August in
the year of our Lord 1815 - I Elizabeth Alexander of the County
of Mecklenburg in the State of North Carolina being very
sick & weak in body but in a perfect mind & memory
intendeth unto God Almighty to mind my mortality so that
it is appropriate for all men to set forth the Word in this
my last Will & Testament in the following manner & form
First of all I commend my soul to God who gave it
my body to the earth to be buried in a decent manner
not elaborate but to receive the same again at general
resurrection by the power of God hoping that the merits death
& passion of my Lord Jesus Christ to deserve a full
and free pardon of all my sins. And although I am weak & failing
Life - sick as breaking such world greatest do God hath best
me with me this life I give him this my will and the old
loving mansion and farm tract. And my debts & land. That
all my just debts & funeral charges be laid aside by my executors
hereafter named.

Item 1^o I give & bequeath to my loving daughter Elizabeth Johnston one
negro boy named Tom to whom and his wife debts to be paid to
her when the sum of five at the discretion here after named
if this said Elizabeth Johnston is not equal in value to
the other legatees, & before the day shall come wills & execute
widdering away to her the same place.

Item 2^o I give & bequeath to my loving wife Basked after my debts
are paid the whole balance of my Estate for the term of 15 years
and then my whole estate is to be given by distribution with
between the two daughters of my deceased wife that is