

In the name of God Amen. I John Allen of Mecklenburg County & State of N^c Carolina being weak in body but of sound mind and memory sheweth as to God Therefore, Calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, do make & ordain this my last will and testament that is to say principally & first of all, I give my soul into the hands of all & mighty God that gave it & my body I recommend to the Earth to be buried in a decent manner at the discretion of my executors, & as touching such worldly estate whereunto it hath pleased God to bless me in this life, I give & dispose of the same in the following manner and form Viz

I give & bequeath unto Mary Ellen my dearly beloved wife the one third part of all my moveable estate and her maintenance on the land during her natural life.

Then I give & bequeath unto Mary Isborn my beloved Daughter the sum of Twenty Shillings.

Then I give & bequeath unto Hannah one my beloved Daughter the sum of Twenty Shillings.

Then I give & bequeath to Catherine Allen my beloved daughter one horse named that the saddle, two beds & bedding two cows & two hogs & Twenty five pounds or the value thereof at the discretion of my executors.

Then I give & bequeath unto my beloved son John Allen all that part of my plantation on which I now live situate lying and being south of a line drawn from the south east corner standing near the school house through the poplar hollow till it strikes Nighers & thence westward to him his heirs and assigns forever and one horse and saddle one bed and bedding.

Then I give & bequeath unto George Allen my beloved son all that plantation situate lying & being on N^c Michels creek to him his heirs & assigns forever and one horse and saddle.

Then I give & bequeath unto William Sampson Allen my beloved son the remainder of my land to him his heirs & assigns forever and that his mother shall have use living. The same.

Then I give & bequeath unto William Sampson Allen my beloved son all my other estate

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I give & bequeath unto Mary my dearly beloved wife
the one third part of all my moveable estate and her Maintenance
on the said during her natural life.

Then I give & bequeath unto Mary my beloved Daughter the
sum of Twenty Shillings.

Then I give & bequeath unto Hannah my beloved Daughter the
sum of Twenty Shillings.

Then I give & bequeath to Catherine my beloved daughter one
Acres named Bass The Land, two beds & bedding two Cows & two Hens
& Twenty five pounds or the value thereof at the discretion of my executors

Then I give & bequeath unto my beloved son John Allen all that part of my
plantation on which I now live situate lying and being so called
of a line drawn from the south East corner standing near the
School house through the poplar hollow till it strikes Highways
& thence I send to him his Heirs and assigns forever and one
Horse and saddle, one bed and bedding.

Then I give & bequeath unto George Allen my beloved son all that
plantation situate lying & being on the Michael's Creek to him
his Heirs & assigns forever and one Horse and saddle.

Then I give & bequeath unto William simple Allen my beloved son
the remainder of my land to him his Heirs & assigns forever
as that his Mother shall have in living & the same.

Then it is further my will and pleasure that after all my debts & other
Expenses are paid that all the remainder of my Estate be equally
divided between my four youngest daughters viz Elizabeth
& Ellen, & Mary Allen, & John, and a fifth & separate & apart
further my will & pleasure that if any of them should
before the death of any of them should be

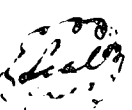
divided among six surviving Brothers, and further that if
any of my, my youngest Daughter should be unmarried
that her share should be equally divided between the
survivors of the last mentioned Girls -
And I do hereby constitute and appoint my wife Ellen my wife
John Allen my son & James Gibson my son in law to be my sole
executors of this my last will & Testament and do hereby
call to the aid of all those who are all and every other
named with, Testaments, signers & witnesses me in any under
to be my last will & Testament for Testimony whereof & the
said John Allen have been called by my hand and seal
this 23rd day of February 1798 - ✓

signed sealed pronounced & declared by the said
John Allen as his last will & Testament in the
presence of us who in his presence and in the
presence of each other have hereunto subscribed
our names -

Wm. McConell

Mr. L. H. H. H.

Wm. Alexander

John Allen  ✓

James Andrews Non-credible
This day came William Caldwell and gave the
following relation viz that on Monday the 30th day of
August last he being in company with a certain John
Andrews son living at John Givens's door & some other
said Caldwell asked said Andrews if he would not be-
lieve his Horse & Wagon money Andrews said he would not be-
lieve it unless he would let him see first of Givens to
James Givens son to John Givens at present and likewise
that his great Cousin he would leave to what he would
calling from his Brother said Andrews cleared the 2nd day
at Mecklenburg Co. NC Wills 1783-1844
the 6th day of
James Andrews