

Secretary of
State Will Book 2

1712-1722

(S.S. 875)

John Hunter

William Hunter abstract of lying at
head of Cabin Branch on E. side of
Chowan river cont: 200 acres bounded
by Jonathan Robinson line on N. side

Reed - 2 Tenn. hills

John Hunter abstract of land

John

Copy of 1800

In command of the army
that made the 10th of June

North Carolina

By The Hon^{ble} the Presid^t &c:

Walter
Bampfild

It being Certified to me from a Gen^l Court of this Province that Walter Bampfild is Dead and hath made no Will And that Ant^ho Alexander is greatest Creditor to y^e Dead These are therefore to empower y^e Ant^ho Alexander to Enter in and upon all and Singular the Goods & Chattels Rights and Credits of y^e Said Walter Bampfild whosoever in this Government to be found and y^e same in to his possession to take And a true Inventory thereof appraised according to value to returne into y^e Secy^s Office within one Year after y^e Date hereof and all y^e Just Debts of y^e Dead to pay & so far as y^e said Estate will extend or amount to And for y^e same to be accountable whenever there to lawfully called Security being Given for y^e performance hereof. Given und^r my hand & Seal of y^e Colony this 3^d Day of Novem^r 1712. Tho^s Pollack Secy.

North Carolina. By The Hon^{ble} the Presid^t &c:

David
Wharton

It being Certified to me from a Gen^l Court of this Province that David Wharton is Dead & hath made no Will and that Mary Robt is greatest Creditor to y^e Dead These are therefore to empower her y^e said Mary Robt to Enter in & upon all and Singular y^e Goods & Chattels Rights and Credits of y^e Said David Wharton whosoever in this Government to be found and y^e same in to her possession to take and a true Inventory thereof appraised according to value to returne into y^e Secy^s Office within one Year after the Date hereof and all y^e Just Debts of y^e Dead to pay & so far as y^e said Estate will extend or amount to And for y^e same to be accountable whenever there to lawfully called Security being Given for y^e performance hereof. Given und^r my hand & Seal of y^e Colony this 3^d Day of Novem^r 1712. Tho^s Pollack Secy.

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Apr 1710
Peter Aronson

In the Name of God Amen the fourteenth
day of March in y^e Year of our L^d God One thousand
Seven hundred and ten I Peter Aronson of y^e Province of
North Carolina Taylor being Sick & weak of body but of good
perfect mind & memory (praised be God) do make this indegn this
test with Testament in manner and form following first I comend
my soul unto y^e hands of almighty God my Master hoping
surely through y^e merits of Iesus Christ my Redeemer to be
made partaker of life everlasting And I comend my body to
earth wherof it was made to be decently buried by my friends
hereafter named & wth estate almighty God has been pleased to
bestow on me in this world I will give and bequeath in manner
following. Item I give and bequeath unto my son Henry my
riding Horse Bred and Saddle likewise I give y^e said Henry
another Horse running at Daut. Likewise I give him a
mare that I have running in y^e West betwixt Jacksonville &
y^e R. river which I bought of Mr. Francis Foster & bound wth y^e said
Fosters Bred and Saddle I give unto y^e said Henry all my
wearing apparell with in case of my intended to be
made some being not finished likewise I give y^e said Henry
my hatt and wagg likewise I give my Black Hairy, y^e William
Shirts and onsp^{rs} of said Hacking. Item I give and bequeath
unto my Daughter Anne one good mare of two years old
and some of my mare I bought of Mr. Foster and run there wth
her likewise I give my Daughter Anne two yards of y^e best
tobacco which is at y^e mill. Likewise I give unto y^e said
Anne a parcell of Cloth which is wearing of Denida
ony South Shop. Item I give and bequeath unto my son
John y^e first mare job the which y^e mare that I have willed to
my son Henry shall bring Henry I give unto y^e said Anne two
shillings and six pence And likewise I give & bequeath unto my
son Henry and unto my Daughter Anne & unto my son
Peter all my debts either by bill or account to be
equally divided between y^e said Henry Anne & Peter my
owing debts and all other charges that may be owing by my
death. Being first paid And I do hereby appoint y^e
Hon^{ble} J^{ts} Tho^s Pollard y^e to bring y^e copy of this my last
will & Testament whereof I revok and disown all or any
for now with whatsoever y^e Witnesses whereof I Peter Aronson
have hereunto subscribed my hand & signed my Seal
to this my last will & Testament before these Witnesses

James Parson
J^{ts} West
John Jones
Thomas Aspley

Peter Aronson

By the Hon^{ble} the presid^t of
It being Certified to me from y^e presid^t Court of Chowan that
Peter Aronson is Dead and hath made and put his last will &
Testament in writing & has Copy whereof is hereunto annexed
& y^e Hon^{ble} J^{ts} Tho^s Pollard (y^e Esq^r then in office)

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Coloia.

By the Hon^{ble} of Privy: &c

It being certified unto me that Mary an Orphan, is Dead & -
nath^l me. & put his last Will & Testament in Writing -
And therein hath given & devised all that he had to James -
Morgan & his Coy who of it have receivd Summs where by
of said James Morgan hath right to Dower. ~~Wherefore~~
Wherefore to improve him of said James Morgan to -
cure me and upon all this being of good & Greatly right,
and profits of & said Morgan Thomas, who ever in this
Business: so as found and I came into his possession &
I have had a true & voluntary Sale of, & appraised according to
Law returned into & to my Office with me one ~~James~~ a
Day after & I do hereby give all & just Debt of & said
part, so far as & said Estate will be paid or amount to -
And the rest to dispose of as by & said Will is expressed
given under my hand & Seal of & County this
26th day of May Anno Domini 1733
The Clerk

In the name of God Amen I Alexander -
of & of the County of Albion in the Kingdom of Great Britain formerly called
Scotland Now of North Carolina Merchant Do make Oath &
Constitute and Declare these presents to be and Contain my last
Will and Testament hereby revoking & making void all former
and other Wills or Testaments by me heretofore made or Declared
In print In case it shall so happen that I shall Die without
Issue by my loving wife Elizabeth Goodlett I Give Devise &
bequeath unto my said & future wife Eliza Goodlett All my
Estate of wth Nature Kind or quality soever which is in
North Carolina And if it shall happen that I shall have
Issue by my said Wife then it is my will that I have
Meaneing that four hundred pounds of my Estate in
North Carolina be paid unto such Issue as I shall have
by my said wife at and upon his or her Arrivall to
Age of Twenty Years. In all the rest of my Estate whether
in America together wth a Sum of three hundred and
thirty pounds Sterl. Money Due from my Bro^r James
Goodlett younger of Abbotshamph as appears by
Account made up by John Cunningham writer to
Robert in Edinburgh the Seny of 1708/9 and
deposited into the hands of John Cunningham Sons
of a Good Name wth twenty pounds Sterl to raise

5 I George on y^e same I Give Devise & Bequeath unto y^e issue
I shall have by my 2^d wife to be paid at and upon the decease
to y^e Age of Twenty Years. But in Case I shall dye without
Issue then to my next of Kin. Vastly Love. Honourable and
appoynt my 2^d loving wife Eliza. Good last Solo Exombring
of this my last Will & Testament. In Testimony whereof
~~the witness~~ I have hereunto put my hand & Seal this 1st of Octo.
1710
Alleg. Good last &

Sealed signed and Declared
in y^e presence of
Eliz. Mersfield
Conelia Roloff
Edw. Mosely -

North Carolina By the Hon^{ble} the Presid^t &c.
It being Certifyed to me that Alleg. Good last late of this province
Merch^t is Dead and hath made & put his last Will & Testament in
writing a true Copy whereof y^e hereto annexed Bill hath
therem appoynted Eliza Good last widow & Relict of y^e said
Alleg. his Solo Exor. There are therefore to supowen her & to
Eliza both Good last to enter in & upon all & singular y^e Goods &
thatly right & Credit of y^e said Alleg. Good last to whom
in this Governm^t by & for me and y^e same with her possession
to take and a true Inventory thereof Appraised according to
Law to return us in to y^e next Office within One Year after
after y^e Date hereof and y^e same to Dispose of as y^e said Eliza
y^e appoynted Given and in hand & Seal of y^e Colony this 1st Day
of Aug^r. the 2nd Dec^r 1713
Thomas Colclough

In the name of God Amen. I John Later of
the County of Albemarle in North Carolina Merch^t being Sick &
weak of body but of sound perfect & disposing Mind & Memory
& Being & by these presents making void all former & other
Wills by me heretofore made do now make (Publish & Declare)
this to be my last Will & Testament in manner & form following
viz^t. I desire I send a my Soule to allmighty God my body I
Commit unto y^e Earth to be buried in Decent & Christianlike Buriall
I Give Devise & Bequeath unto Mary my well beloved
wife & Mayaly or halfend of my lands being in Person
Presitt in y^e County of Albemarle in North Carolina &c.

And if thou shalt now live in consequence, I have ordered that of good
wishes more or less to be by her bed & enjoyed for and during
term of her natural life. I then offer of Death and Decease of
my said wife I do hereby Give Grant Devise & Bequeath unto
Domine Porter my Wife of said Moxley or Halfpenny of my
Goods and Dwelling house lying at Howan afo. to be by
him his Heires and Assignes held and enjoyed as in the simple
for ever Also I do hereby Give Grant Devise and
Bequeath unto my Son Domine Porter all & singular the other
Monies of my said Goods lying at Howan afo. In consequence
by Estimation Twelve Hundred Lires to it more or less wth
all and singular Houses Coffers and Appurtenances to be appo-
inted by him or said Domine Porter his Heires and Assignes to
be enjoyed as in the simple for ever. I then do hereby Give Grant
Devise and Bequeath unto my Son John Porter his Heires
Assignes as in the simple for ever All that Part or
share of Land wth Appurtenances lying in Bath County
North Carolina afo. Called by the name of Morowiateh
In consequence by Estimation Sixteen or Seventeen Hundred
Lires of Land to it more or less to be by him or said John
Porter his Heires and Assignes held and enjoyed as in the
simple for ever. I then do hereby Give Grant Devise & Bequeath unto
my Son Joshua Porter his Heires and Assignes as in the
simple All that Part of a parcell of Land Called Quarry
lying in of said County on the other side of a Creek to hold
unto him or said Joshua Porter his Heires and Assignes as
in the simple for ever. I then do hereby Give Grant Devise and
Bequeath unto my Son Matthew Porter his Heires and Assignes
as in the simple for ever of Moxley or Halfpenny of Two
Two thousand Lires of Land lying on the other side of said
River in of County afo. wth I bought of one Richard Smith
to hold unto him or said Matthew Porter his Heires and Assignes
for ever And my Will is that in Case either of my said Sons
Joshua Porter or Matthew Porter shall for any cause before
they shall attaine their respective Age of One and Twenty
Years such Legacy so by me herein before Given to him
or her dying shall come remain and be to the Survivor of
them his Heires and Assignes for ever. I then do hereby Give Grant
and Bequeath All and singular of other Moxley of the said
Two thousand Lires the which is already Cleared wth all Houses
and Appurtenances unto my Son in Law Mr. Lillingston and
Sarah his now wife to hold unto them and their Assignes
for and during of term of their natural life and after
their Death and Decease I do hereby Give Grant

7 I Give and Bequeath y^e said lands wth y^e Appurtenances unto y^e Heirs
of y^e Body of her y^e said Sarah Lawfully to be Begotten or y^e for
simple for ever And for Default of such Issue then to y^e right
Heirs for ever more. And I do hereby Give & Bequeath unto my
Daughter Dina three such Negroes as her Mother shall think fit to
Give (if her said Mother be then living) to be delivered to her when
she shall Attain y^e Age of Eighteen Years or be married
wth y^e Negroes are for a man's value that to be wth her said Mother
And I further Give and Bequeath unto my said Wife the value
of y^e Sum of five hundred pounds to be paid by my Exors
hereafter named out of my Goods & Chattels lying out of that
Country to be taken out of any of my personal Estate And
all y^e rest of my said Personal Goods I shall not herein
before Given & Bequeathed I do Give Grant Devise and
Bequeath Equally to be divided between my Children and
y^e Surviv^r and Surviv^r of them by my Last Will & Testament named
And I do hereby nominate & appoint my beloved wife
Mary & my said Sons jointly to be Joint Exors of this my said
Last Will & Testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto
my hand & Seal this 8th day of June 1712

Sealed, Published & Declared

In y^e presence of

John Allen M.D.

Jo Webber Not Pub.

James Mully

John Porter

By this Hon^{ble} y^e presid^t ex^{tr}
It being Certified to us that John Porter late of this province
Merch^t is Dead and hath made & put his Last Will & Testament
in Writing & true Copy whereof is herewith annexed and
hath therein appointed his wife Mary Porter his Joint
John Porter to be his Joint Exors. There are therefore
to give over them y^e said Mary Porter and John Porter
his Exors in and upon all y^e Real & Goodly Chattels right
& Credits of y^e said John Porter whosoever in this Province
to be found and if found unto their satisfaction to take and
a true Inventory thereof appraised &c. and to pay to
restored into y^e said Exors within one Year after y^e date
thereof And y^e said Exors to dispose of as by y^e said Will is appointed
Given under my hand and y^e Seal of y^e Colony this
17th day of Aug^r New Br^{ns} 1712

Thomas Black

North Carolina

May 8th 1712

In the name of God Amen I Samuel
Storomb of Bath County in Province of North Carolina
do hereby certify my last Will & Testament. All my
wearing Cloths I Give to my bro^r John Storomb I Give
to my bro^r Wm Smyth two Cowes & Halves and to my bro^r
John^r Smyth the two more Cowes & Halves And to my
sister Jabele Smyth two Cowes & Halves more I Give to
my Mother ten Cowes & Halves & One bed tick And one bed
tick to Mary^e Davis the rest of my Estate I Give to my
Mother & my bro^r John Storomb & Mary^e Davis to be
equally Divided between them

Witness my hand & Delivered

his
Samuel Storomb

Witness
Thomas
Brew

North Carolina By the Hon^{ble} the Presid^t &c
It being Certified unto us that said Storomb is Dead &
with us and put his last will & Testament in writing
true Copy whereof is herewith annexed And not having
appointed any Executor therein his Mother Eliza Smyth
his bro^r John Storomb and Mary^e Davis being therein
mentioned Gentle Legates by writ they have right to be
admitted to the said Will annexed. These are therefore to
empower them & said Eliza Smyth John Storomb
& Mary^e Davis to enter in & upon all singular &
good Chattels right and Goods of & said Samuel
Storomb wherever in this Government to be found
and if found with their possession to take and a true
Inventory thereof appraised according to Law to
return with & Serje^t Offis within One Year after
the Date hereof and also & last Debts of & said to pay so
far as & said Estate will extend or amount to And
the remainder to dispose of as by the said Will is opposite
Security being given for & the performance hereof
Given under my hand & Seal of & Colony this 8th day
of Aug^r 1712

Thos & Offis

North Carolina By the Hon^{ble} the President &c.

1 It being Certified unto us that George Ford is Dead & with
meads now will Read that John Houghton is right of his wife & son
Houghton is nearest of kin to y^e Deed. Theft are therefore to
Impower him y^e said John Houghton to Enter in & upon all & Singular y^e Goods &
Rights and (records of y^e said John Ford) wherever to be found in y^e said
provinces and y^e same into his (said) custody to take and a true
Inventory thereof Appraised according to Law to return into y^e said
Court of Chancery within One Year after y^e Date hereof and all y^e debts
of y^e said Deed to pay so far as y^e said Deed will
or Answer to said John Houghton to be made when
lawfully called & security being given for y^e performance thereof
Given under my Hand & Seal of y^e Colony this
5th day of Decr. the 2nd of 1713
Tho. Collier

North Carolina By the Hon^{ble} the President &c.

It being Certified that John Jones is Dead and hath no next of kin
and that William Jones is nearest of kin to y^e Deed and that he
is right to Administer Theft are therefore to Impower y^e said
William Jones to Enter in and upon all & Singular y^e Goods &
Rights and (records of y^e said John Jones) wherever to be found in y^e said
provinces and y^e same into his (said) custody to take and a true
Inventory thereof Appraised according to Law to return into y^e said
Court of Chancery within One Year after y^e Date hereof and all y^e debts
of y^e said Deed to pay so far as y^e said Deed will
or Answer to said William Jones to be made when
lawfully called & security being given for y^e performance thereof
Given under my Hand & Seal of y^e Colony this
20th day of Novr. 1713
Tho. Collier

c 1st Carolina 1730

By the Hon^{ble} the pres^t &c.

Certificates being made up and shown to the Court of this province that Jacob Bodest is Dead & that we are now well And that John Brook is right of Mary his wife who is & wide. Right of & John & is nearest of kin to & Dead. These are therefore to empower them & said John Brook & Mary his wife to order in & upon all and singular the good Chances rights & Credits of said Jacob Bodest wherever in this Government we should And to plan into their possession to take and have Inveat. by thereof appraised according to Law to return us to of said Office within one year after & Date hereof And also to pay Debts of & Dead to pay for as & said State with Polls or amount to And for the same to be accountable whenever thereof Lawfully called for and being given for & has performed hereof. Given under the hand & Seal of & Colony this 4th day of May 1734

The Collector

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In the Name of God Amen I Trustful Person in & County of Bath & Quince & N^o Carolina. Parson being of a sound & perfect memory But seriously Considering & Daily Remembrance of the Life of a sinner Especially Considering in & the presence of Almighty God's Visitation by David & his words which we have & he is the Punish. Submit. to make & Ordain and Substitute of my last Will & Testament for me and for my Loving Wife

First I commend my Spirit in & hands of Almighty God my Father the Holy Ghost in Love with my Redeemer for & for remission of all and my Body to be buried after & discretion at my Presenting Buriall mentioned.

I give devise & bequeath all of Tracts of Land whereon my now dwelling House stands is. with its Outings Improvements & Appurtenances Beginning at a Live Oak is the Doornes Forks. Standing at & upper side of & first Long Gutt below my house near & Mouth of & Gutt being is the Doornes mark. Thence running up & River to a Cross Pine below six rods & 1/2. Doornes Bay. Standing near a small Marsh & by & Doornes ad. Cross Ford. Thence & running from & formentioned Live Oak up & of & Gutt. Thence with & woods to the north three quarters of a mile from & River to Campbell's, thence by a Pine tree an equal distance from & River to & of & Doornes Line.

12. Samuel and James shall Desend and be remain unbaptized. Two
Daughters Elizabeth & Jane & the their Slaves for sale.

I Give Yours & Begs of the noble my Daughter in Law Anne
Smiththick and Trach of Land Lying on y^e Wardes New Given
C^old Nottinghamshire p^{ar}ts of y^e Two Hundred & forty Acres in
y^e 1st 1/2nd 1/4th for ever.

*I give divide & begeth a c. d. wsh. of my ^{Land} Tennessee to a laborer, tan.
at birth before divide / God divide & begeth unto my loving
wife Hannah Green I her love for ever.*

Give & Beneath with my son. The young black. More birds
with FG & young gray. The birds with FG on 7 near Dullish.
and my black. Give and. Feather. Red & boulder are. More and. Ring
& blue. Blackbills & h. sp. etc.

And with my son J^r. One Negro Woman (Red) Filled one Turnip
basket. And Grey Mare abt. two years old bridled wth F.C. on 7th
near Court St.

And only my Son Samuels One Bay Horse bred to the TC when
born is now by him and is a half of a highly bred Pair of
Exchange now sent to Virginia in order to be sent for England
the Consul of New York has taken my stock from the market in
his first March of next Spring after my Death if you be
satisfied to sell them now for a good price.

And to my Son James One ~~Share~~ Share Granted 15th Feb on 7th 1800
Cuthbert and for each by the said James Nephew ~~more~~ ^{part} Nephew
and 7th share of 7th of the said James Nephew ~~more~~ ^{part} Nephew

And my friends if my sons should be admitted to the same I should be
glad to have them share in it as if they were my own children.

to my two daughters Elizabeth & Sarah, I give & bequeath four
young cows with the cows with their female posterity to mark in
their proper marks of next spring after my decease.

Recd of Cash of my goods & Chattels rights & Credits my Debit being to
 Sumner (Chas) Deftd. I Give & Acquittance unto my Loving
 Wife Hannah Green wither Jalso unto wafford my so Co
 Executor of if my Cash Recd & Testam^t. I utterly making void
 as void & Testam^t. by me & my wife made in California wh. my
 Thos Brewster sign my hand & seal this 26th Day of Feb. 1861

Chris Torr. 1988.

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Thru: EC Green.

Title Page
 Dr. Price
 Gen. Bury
 Sec. D. W. B.

In the name of God amen April 20th one thousand seven
hundred and thirty one. Being sick & weak but of sound & perfect
memory I thank to God for it, do make this my last will & Testament.
In manner & Form following, First I Give & bequeath my Soul to All-
mighty God my maker & Redeemer. Assuredly believing in y^e Resur-
rection of y^e dead & my Body to be buried att y^e discretion of my Executor
hereafter named.

Impo.

I Give & bequeath to my well beloved daughter Elizabeth Bond, one
Fourth part of Covering nam in her possession; like unto my well beloved
son & his Grace one Milling, & for y^e rest of my Estate both real &
Personal after my just debts are paid; & y^e same of what nature
or Quality soever, I Give & Bequeath to my well beloved son Henry
Grace to him & his heirs Executors or assigns forever; Likewise to
Comitate & ordaine my well beloved son Henry Grace to be my
Whole & Sole Executor of this my last will & Testament, Utterly
Revoking & annulling & making void all other wills & Testaments.
By me heretofore made in witness whereof I have hereunto
set my hand & Seal y^e day & y^e year above written.

Signed Sealed & Delivered

In y^e Presence of
Circial Hudson
Elizabeth & Jackson
Joseph Lehigh.

Susanna C. Robinson

Althamstead In North Carolina August 25th 1752

In the Name of God. Amen. Richard Stanwin
Piquemore Precinct in y^e County before said Being sick & weak
but in perfect sense & memory praise be to Almighty God and
knowing y^e Certainty of Death & y^e Uncertainty when it may please
God to take me out of this Life. Do make & ordaine this to be
my last will & Testament In manner & Form following.
Revoking all former Wills, Gifts, or Writing by me made. First.
My Soul to Jesus Christ my Redeemer from whom I received Life
Breath & being Hoping in y^e mercy of Jesus Christ to find Ever-
lasting Life & Peace & Comfort in y^e world to come. Secondly my
Body to y^e Earth to be decently buried att y^e discretion of my Executor
hereafter named. I Do appoint my loving friend Peter Jones to
be my whole & Sole Executor to see this my will fully & as

Item I Give to parson what owes me any money or whatsoever else
acquitting them. I Give to Francis Cooper my Old Brandied Cow
or Calf & also Iron Pot that is in his Keeping. I Give to John Ham-
cock one Calf to have his Choice of my Cows; I Give to John Ham-
cock two hundred weight of pork if it be a mass & one white Blanket.
I Give to John Pains one white Blanket & two hundred weight of Pork
as aforesaid. I Give to John Piders one two years old read heifer. I Give
to John Cold one Mottled Cow & one read Blanket. I Give to
My Plantations & all my Land & Premises Belonging to him & to
his heirs if he should Die, to & nearest of Kind. I Give unto
Peter Jones all my personal Estate; after my just debts & Funeral
Charges is paid And What Legacy I have Given in my will.
Whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal y^e day & year above
Written. Witnesses hereunto.
William Phelps Richard Handrick
Rebecca Jones John Stepprey

In the Name of God Amen. I Mathias Giles being
weak & sick of Body but of perfect memory thanks be to God, do make good and
true my last will & Testament; make Null & Void all other wills & Testaments
by me hitherto made. VIZT. First I Give my Soul into y^e Hands of Almighty
God. I Give it me Trusting in y^e Merits of Jesus Christ my Saviour. &
My Body to be Christianly Buried att y^e discretion of my Executors hereafter
mentioned. I Give & bequeath all my plantations & Land I now live on unto Rich-
ard Davenport Sen^r During his Naturall Life & after his Decease unto his Grandson
Richard Davenport y^e Son of John Davenport & to his heirs forever. I Give
& bequeath to Thomas Galer his debts he owes me it being two Barrels of powder
where I have his Bill for. I Give John Longall debts he owes me. I Give
Thomas Hacey all debts he owes me. I Give & bequeath unto Robert Manton one
Copper Kettle & one Long Gun. I Give also half y^e heep of Thimble in that Neck
where he lives for y^e Catching & dressing y^e other half. I Give & bequeath to Edward
Dorwich one Silver Kilt Rapier & one small Gun. I Give & bequeath unto Mary Davenport
two Children Six head of Cattle I have over at Soperston to be equally divided
between them. I Give & bequeath unto Elizabeth Phelps five hundred pound
of pork. after all all my Carefull debts being paid I Give & bequeath unto
James Minge & Richard Davenport all y^e singular y^e rest of my Estate both
real & personal & also constitute & appoint y^e above James Minge &
Richard Davenport my whole & sole Executors of this my last will &
Testament. with my hand & Seal this 2^d of October 1655.

15th Signed Sealed & delivered
in presence of Mary A Davenport
Elizabeth Dobb.

Mathias Giles

In y^e Name of God Amen. I Daniel Jones of p^rincemans Point
Being Sick of Body but of perfect Sense & memory Thanks be to God for y^e same,
I do make this my last will & Testament making Void & Null all former
Wills & Testaments by me heretofore made (Vizt) First I Give my Soul into
The hands of Almighty God that Gave it me Trusting in y^e Merits of our
Lord Jesus Christ My Saviour. And my Body to be Christianly Buried
At y^e discretion of my Executors hereafter named.

I Give & bequeath all That my plantation & Tract of Land known as y^e
Sound Side unto y^e Childen my wife goes with be y^e same name or surname & to
The Heir of he or She Body Lawfully begotten & in default of such Heir unto
My Loving wife & her Heir for ever. I Give & bequeath all y^e Remainder of
My Estate both real & personal after my Lawfull debts are paid & satis-
fied to be equally divided between my Loving wife Sarah Jones & y^e Childen
The now Goes with & if the Child should dye before he or She come to
Age or have Lawfull Issue then y^e above Morety of y^e Estate shall
Remaine unto my Loving wife Sarah her Heir. Lastly I make & appoint
My Loving wife Sarah Jones my Loving Brother Arthur Jones & my Loving
And Trusty Friend Timothy Clare, my true & Lawfull Ex^{rs} of this my last will
And Testament Witness my hand & Seal This tenth day of October 1718.

Signed Sealed & delivered
in presence of James Mirige
Mathias Giles

Daniel D I Jones

In y^e Name of God Amen. I Benjamin Nielson being
Sick & weak of Body but of Sound & perfect mind & memory praise be therefor
Given to almighty God. do make & declare this my present last will & Testament
In manner & forme following. That is to say First & principally I commend my
Soul into y^e hands of almighty God, hoping through y^e merits Death & passion of my
Saviour Jesus Christ to have fully free pardon & forgiveness of all my sins & to
Inherit Everlasting Life, & my Body I Comend to y^e Earth to be decently Buried
At y^e discretion of my Executor hereafter named & as touching y^e disposition of
all such Temporal Estate as it pleased almighty God to bestow upon me I Give &
Bequeath thereof as followeth.

14
Item I Give to parson what owes me any money or whatsoever else
squitting them. I Give to Francis Cooper my Old Branded Cow
or Bull & am then told that is in his keeping. I Give to John Ma-
cock one Cow & to have his choice of my Cows. I Give to John Han-
cock two hundred weight of pork if it be a mast gone white Blankett.
I Give to John Pains one white Blankett & two hundred weight of Pork
as aforesaid. I Give to John Piders one two years old read heifer. I Give
to John Codd one Mottelaced Cow & one read Blankett. I Give to
my Phisitioners & all my Land Prosserents Belonging to him & to
his heirs & the Shoulde Pay, to y^e nearest of Kind. I Give unto
My Son James All my personal Estate; after my just debts & funeral
charges is paid And What Legacy I have Given. In witness
Whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal of day & year above
Written. Witnesses hereunto.
William Phelps. Richard Handrick
Adicea Jones John Stepley

In the Name of God Amen. I Mathias Giles being
weak & sick of Body but of perfect memory thanks be to God, do make & give
this my last will & testament; make Null & void all other wills & testaments
by me before made & Vint. I Give my Soul into y^e hands of Almighty
God that Gave it me Trusting in y^e Merits of Jesus Christ my Saviour. &
that I will be Christianly buried att y^e discretion of my Executors hereafter
to be named. I Give & bequeath all my plantations & Land I now live on unto Rich-
ard Davenport Son of John Davenport & to his heirs for ever. I Give
unto John Gale his debts he owes me it being five Barrels of Pot
which I have his Bill for. I Give John Longall debt he owes me. I Give
Thomas Hacey all debts he owes me; I Give & bequeath unto Robert Manner one
Copper Kettle & one Long Gun. I Give also half y^e Hogs I have in that Neck
to live for y^e Catching & dressing y^e other half. I Give & bequeath to Edward
Barnick Silver bells Rapier & one Small Gun. I Give & bequeath unto Mary Davenport
two Children Six head of Cattle I have over at Segornon to be equally dividid
between them. I Give & bequeath unto Elizabeth Phelps five hundred pound
of work. after all my Carefull debts being paid I Give & bequeath unto
James Minge & Richard Davenport all y^e singular y^e rest of my Estate both
real & personal & also constitute & appoint y^e above James Minge &
Richard Davenport my whole & sole Executors of this my last will &
testament. witnesses my hand & seal this 2nd of October 1693.

15th Signed Sealed & delivered
in presence of Mary A. Davenport
Elizabeth Dobb.

Mathias Giles

In y^e Name of God Amen. I Daniel Jones of p^rincemon point
Being Sick of Body but of perfect Sense & memory Thanks be to God for y^e same,
I do make this my last will & Testament making Void & Null all former
Wills & Testaments by me heretofore made (Vizt). First I Give my Soul into
The hands of Almighty God that Gave it me Trusting in y^e Merits of our
Lord Iesus Christ My Saviour. And my Body to be Christianly Buried
At y^e discretion of my Executors hereafter named.

Item. I Give & bequeath all that my plantation & Tract of Land known by an y^e
found side unto y^e Childer my wife goes with be y^e same name or surname, & to
The Heir of he or she body Lawfully begotten & in default of such heirs unto
My loving wife & her heirs forever. I Give & bequeath all y^e Remainder of
My Estate both real & personal after my lawfull debts are paid & satis-
fied to be equally divided between my loving wife Sarah Jones & y^e Childer
she now goes with & if the Child should dye before he or she come to
Age or have lawfull Issue then y^e afores^d Morety of y^e Estate shall
Remaine unto my loving wife Sarah her heirs. Lastly I make & appoint
My loving wife Sarah Jones my loving Brother Arthur Jones & my loving
And Trusty friend Timothy Clark, my true & lawfull Ex^{rs} of this my last will
And Testament Wittingly my hand & Seal this tenth day of October 1719.
Signed Sealed & delivered
in presence of James Minge
Mathias Giles

Daniel D. Jones

In y^e Name of God Amen. I Benjamin Nielson being
Sick & weak of Body but of Sound & perfect mind & memory praise be therefore
Given to almighty God. do make & declare this my present last will & Testament
In manner & forme following. That is to say First & principally I commend my
Soul into y^e hands of almighty God, hoping through y^e merits Death & passion of my
Saviour Iesus Christ to have fully & free pardon & forgiveness of all my sins & to
Inherit Everlasting Life, & my Body I Commit to y^e Earth to be decently Buried
All y^e discretion of my Executor hereafter named & as touching y^e disposition of
all such Temporal Estate as it pleased almighty God to bestow upon me I Give &
Dispo^{se}. Therefore as followeth.

16
I do hereby declare that my debts & Funerall Charges shall be paid & discharged.
I do hereby give unto my beloved Brother Nathaniel Nicolson all my Estate move-
able & immovable to him & his heirs forever. my will is that my Brother
Nathaniel Nicolson be my executor to see this my last will & Testament
fulfilled & witness whereof I have set my hand & seal this nineteenth day
of December 1712.

Benjamin C Nicolson.

Witness my hand & seal
Francis Foster Joshua Jones.

At the Home of Coll Almon: The Eighteenth day of October 1711.
I Joseph Holebrough of the County Bath & Dorsetshire precinct. Being
very sick & weak in Body, but of perfect mind & memory. Thanks be Given
unto God for so far calling to mind of mortality of my Body & knowing that
I must submit for all for all men once to day. I do make & ordaine this my
last will & Testament, That is to say principally & first of all I Give & recom-
mend my Soul into the Hands of God that Give it, & my Body I recommend
to my Friends to be buried in decent & Christian manner at the discretion of my
executors, nothing doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall receive
the same again by the mighty power of God. and as touching such worldly
substances with it hath pleased God to bless me in this Life. I Give devise
and bequeath of the same in the following manner & forme. I Give bequeith unto
My dear & beloved friend Alexander Avera one Gun one Coat one white
out & all my Carpenters Tools I Give & bequeith unto Elizabeth Avera one
Silver & one Copper dish & four p. Cakes. I Give unto my beloved friend Swan-
low one Cow & Calf which did cost this summer at Mr. Price
Plantation & one heifer at Mr. Robins. I Give & bequeith unto my well
beloved Brother John Holebrough five pence ^{pence} ~~shillings~~ ^{pence} ~~from~~
Marinquim deceased. I Give & bequeith unto my Brother John Holebrough
upon his house. I Give & bequeith unto my Brother John Holebrough all my wearing
Clothes only one white Coat excepted. I Give & bequeith unto my Brother John Holebrough
two or one running all my Cattle in General only two Cows & Calfs & one heifer
& excepted. I Give & bequeith unto my Brother John Holebrough sixteen Shillings
and the pence due upon a account from Petrick Tindal. I Give my well beloved
Brother John Holebrough whom I likewise constitute make & ordaine my
sole Executor of this my last will & Testament, all & singular my Land meadows
& Tenements, goods Legacies & bequests, & Executors Ome in any ways be devised
willing & bequeithed, & satisfying & confirming this & my other & to my last will

17 And Testam^t In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal of said & year
above written

Signed Sealed & Delivered
By of Joseph Holmough as his last will
Testament in presence of us of Subscribers
Amiel Hallway James Lee

In y^e Name of God Amen I Daniel Jones of Somers
County being Sick of Body but of perfect Sense & memory this 10th Day
of June 1718 Do make this my last will & Testament making none of my
former wills & Testaments by me heretofore made void First My Soul I give
Into y^e hands of Almighty God That gave it me I rest in y^e arms of
Lord Jesus Christ My Saviour & give my Body to be Christianly buried at y^e discretion
of my Executor hereafter named. I Give & Bequeath all that my place
hereunto of Land I now live on my house & 10th Child my wife Sarah with
Body same male or female & to the heirs of me or Shees Body Lawfully Begotten
And In default of such heirs unto my loving wife & her heirs for ever
I Give & Bequeath all y^e Remainder of my Estate both real & personal
after my lawfull debts are paid & satisfied to be equally divided betwixt
my wife Sarah Jones & y^e Child the more does with & if y^e Child should die
before he or She come to age or have Lawfull Issue then y^e Mordy of y^e said
shall remaine unto my loving wife Sarah her heirs & Lawfull Issue &
beside my loving wife Sarah Jones my Loving Brother Nathaniel Jones
And my loving & Trusty friend Timothy Place as Lawfull Ex^r of this my
Last will & Testament. Witness my hand & Seal this tenth Day of June
1718.

Signed Sealed & Delivered
In presence of
James Mingo
Mathias Giles

Daniel D^r Jones

Walter M. Tanner

I, Walter M. Tanner of County of perquimans
do hereby certify that the my last will & testament in manner &
form following I have made, signed, sealed, & delivered in presence of
three witnesses, & came to be & lawfully by my last will & testament, & my estate
which I do hereby leave to my heirs & assigns in manner & form following.
I give, devise, bequeath unto my daughter, Elizabeth, one young Mare to be
sold at my decease with all her increase to her & her heirs or
to such person as she shall think proper. My daughter in Law, as above said, I give for
her portion, one young Mare upon the same terms. I give & bequeath unto
my wife, Elizabeth, in and to all of my estate, Real &
Personal, & my debts are paid & funeral charges & appointing
my wife, Elizabeth, my whole Estate, of this my last will & testament only
I make no mention of please my Daughter out live her mother
in which case she shall have all of my Estate, & my wife, Elizabeth, shall have
all of my Estate, as written in my last will & testament, as written in my hand &
signed the 3rd Day of August 1718.

Walter M. Tanner
James M. Macclandin

Walter M. Tanner

In the Name of God, Amen, the 2nd Day of November in the year
of our Lord 1718, I, Humphrey Barrington of North Carolina in perquimans
County, Black Smith being very sick & weak in body but of perfect mind &
of sound memory, do hereby certify that I have made, signed, sealed, & delivered in presence of
three witnesses, & came to be & lawfully by my last will & testament, & my estate
which I do hereby leave to my heirs & assigns in manner & form following.
I give, devise, bequeath unto my daughter, Elizabeth, one young Mare to be
sold at my decease with all her increase to her & her heirs or
to such person as she shall think proper. My daughter in Law, as above said, I give for
her portion, one young Mare upon the same terms. I give & bequeath unto
my wife, Elizabeth, in and to all of my estate, Real &
Personal, & my debts are paid & funeral charges & appointing
my wife, Elizabeth, my whole Estate, of this my last will & testament only
I make no mention of please my Daughter out live her mother
in which case she shall have all of my Estate, & my wife, Elizabeth, shall have
all of my Estate, as written in my last will & testament, as written in my hand &
signed the 3rd Day of August 1718.

In any manner of person or persons, whatsoever shall be made, devised, made
 & paid or retained to be paid in convenient time after my decease by my
 Executrix hereafter named I give & bequeath unto my daughter Ann my Plan-
 tation that I now live on with one hundred and twenty acres of land & to of her
 body lawful begotten & she to be before at y^e age of sixteen years I give & bequeath
 unto my daughter in law Ann Major one hundred & twenty acres of land
 Plantation of a tract of land of 340 acres & to of her body lawful begotten I give
 unto Elizabeth Major whom I have taken to be my wife whom I like to be
 make & ordaine my only & sole Executrix of this my last will & Testament by her freely
 to be proved & enjoyed & I do hereby utterly disallowe Revoke & disannul all former
 Testaments wills & beques best & Ex^t by me in any way before this time made
 will & bequeathed Ratifying & confirming this & not other to be my last will & Testa-
 ment in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal of Day & year above
 written. Signed Sealed published

Pronounced & declared by
 Humphrey Harrington as his last
 will & Testament in y^e presents
 of y^e Subscribers Vizt.

Humphrey Harrington

Richard Morris Francis P. Thomas

North Carolina p.
 In y^e Name of God Amen. Abraham Warren of Little River being
 being at present some what indisposed in body but in good perfect mind
 and in my right senses & raise be God for it. I do make & ordaine & acknowledge
 this present will to be my last will & Testament & in manner & forme following Vizt.
 my last I recommend unto y^e mercy & protection of almighty God my heavenly father
 having hopes through y^e Death & passion, merits & intercession of our blessed Lord &
 Saviour Jesus Christ ~~that~~ ^{that} I desire to obtaine full pardon & remission of all my
 sins, to Inherit Everlasting life: my Body I commit to y^e earth there to be
 raised in hopes of a joyfull resurrection & that both Soul & body at y^e General
 resurrection will be admitted into a State of Blessing & glory & have Eternal rest
 which I pray God of his infinite mercy Grant. Amen. As to what State he
 hath pleased almighty God to Bless me with, I will & bequeath as followeth Vizt.
 I give & bequeath unto my son Abraham Warren two Cows & one furthered
 with covering thereunto proper & convenient to be delivered unto him when
 he shall attaine to y^e age of sixteen years ~~that~~ ^{that} I am possessed of one
 hundred & fifty acres of land with a house thereon my will & desire is

[illegible]

Wm. of God Amen. 4th day of June one Thousand Seven
Hundred & twelve. Daniel Brooks: In presence of perquarons In of County
of Worcester in North Carolina Husbandman Being Sick & weak
of body but of perfect mind & memory thanks be given unto God
for recalling to mind of immortality of my body & knowing that it is
appointed for all men once to dye Do make & ordaine this my last
will & Testament: that is to say principally & first of all I give & Re-
commend my Soul into y^e hands of God & my body I recommend to
be buried in a decent & Christian manner at y^e discretion of my
executors nothing doubting but at y^e general resurrection I shall
come againe by y^e Almighty power of God & trusting
in worldly estate where with it hath pleased God to bless me with

In this Life, I have Remise & dispose of my Land in the following manner
First I will that my Debt & funeral Charges shall be paid & discharged
21 my well beloved friend Thomas Lilly his four Children, John Sarah, Mary
& Peter that tract of Land Buttum above of popular branch called of the
Each of them two Bows & Bells & it is my will that it be divided Equally
I give to Daniel Rogers three hundred acres of Land that he
Live upon the mount nursery after I decease of my wife Margaret
my Bed & furniture bed & night it & my that that stands under of my
Linn Gun & one Belt that holds four Gallons & ten Bows & Bells to be
att of age of Eighteen years or att of discretion of my Executors & if he
has carefully Consider of his own body to returne to my Executors He
I give to my dearly beloved wife Margaret Brooke & my loving friends
Kitchen whom I do constitute make & ordaine my whole & sole Executors
last will & Testam^t all & singular my lands messuages & tenements & all appurtenances
therunto belonging paying my funeral expences Legacies & Debts accordingly
I revoke Revoke & Annul all & every other former Testaments wills & bequeiths
bequeiths & Executors by me in any ways before named willed & bequeithed
ing & Confirming this & no other to be my last will & Testament I write
of I have hereunto set my hand & Seal of Day & year above written.

Signed Sealed published

pronounced & Declared

By ^{me} Daniel Brooke

as his last will & Testament in presence of us

of Subscribers William W. Carman

Samuel T. Taylor

Francis Jones

Daniel & O. Brooke

North Carolina

In the Name of God Amen This being the last will & Testament of the Sons of
Brooke him & his wife & his memory at this present thanks to the Lord but willing
to mind of uncertainty of this life he has last bequeithed you his will & his wife & his
me through the merits of my Saviour Jesus Christ pay Body to of Earth from whence it
came & my Estate as it is hath pleased God to provide me with as followeth I give unto
my Brother in Law John Daniel one year & one of his income to be delivered
my estate I give to my Sister in Law Hannah Daniel one year & one of her
Increase if she come to Remand it I give to my daughter Elizabeth
Elizabeth Leaverton daughter of John Leaverton fifty acres of Land more or less
lying in & State of Black water commonly called Rocky branch I give &

I do hereby give unto my daughter Mary Jones all of rest of my lands & tenements which
 are parcelled with to her & her heirs for ever provided she shall live to be of age to
 enjoy it, & if she should dye before she come of age then for to fall to my loving wife
 & her heirs for ever & all of rest of my late Royal & personal to be
 equally divided between my wife & my daughter Mary. & I do hereby constitute
 & appoint my loving wife to be my sole, Executor of this my last will & Testament
 & of all other wills by me formerly made. as witness my hand & Seal this
 10th day of January 1712
 John Jones
 By Thomas Ande
 At Holdbrook

In y^e name of God Amen. y^e twentieth day of February 1712 I James
of the County of Surquemens in y^e Province of North Carolina of God's perfect memory
do hereby solemnly & calling to remembrance y^e uncertain estate of this transient
life & that death must will unto each whom it shall please God to call do make
this my last will & testament in manner & form following
I am unwilling by these presents all y^e & every testimony herein written shall be
in force & effect unless it be proved either by word or writing, & thus to be taken only
by me & my witnesses & none other & first being penitent & free from y^e bondage
of sin & being sin past most humbly desiring forgiveness for y^e same I give &
bequeath unto almighty God in y^e favour & goodness in whom y^e life of y^e world
of y^e soul I trust & believe y^e soul to be saved & to have full remission of y^e sins
of y^e flesh & that my soul wth my body at y^e general day of resurrection shall rise
again with joy & through y^e merits of Christ's death & passion for y^e sinners of
y^e world of heaven prepared for his Elect & chosen & my body to be buried in such
place where it shall please my Executors hereafter named to appoint &
I do hereby give & bequeath unto my daughter Elizabeth Colas all that
plantation & tract of land in nansemond County in very near where on
my father James Colas lived as also two other tracts of fifty acres each
lying in y^e Swamp there by some other tract of land lying on y^e Swamp
of Sumner's Cove containing one hundred acres & one other tract

23 All Buchanan two hundred & fifty acres & adjoining to a certain tract of land in
 Virginia & further my will is that what land I have in North Carolina with my personal
 Estate be equally divided betwixt my loving & lawfull wife Mary Cates my daughter
 Elizabeth & to be enjoyed by them & their heirs forever & my will further is that my
 & other Estate which I have in North Carolina & also what personal Estate I have
 have in Virginia be it in what kind or nature soever shall be equally divided
 betwixt my wife & my daughter & lastly do hereby appoint my lawfull & true
 wife Mary Cates my Executrix of this my will to see it fulfilled & performed In
 Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal of my own hand
 written. Signed Sealed & Delivered
 In presence of us Rich^d French
 Eliza^h French
 Sarah SE Evans
 James Col^r

The last will and testament of John Hodgson being Sick & weak of body at the
 number my Tent I Give to God that gave it me & my body to the Earth to be
 decent funeral. I Give to my beloved Mary Hodgson all my proper Estate or the same
 Legacies as is here to be paid as I shall mention. I Give my will to Rob^t Heath
 eldest son Nehemiah I Give to Rob^t Heaths daughter one Iron pot & one five
 Gallons & one little peater dish & two peater plates. I Give to Thomas Heath
 a camach vest & gloves & a druggs Coat. I Give to Thomas Heaths eldest daughter
 one young Cow with Calfe or a calf by her side. I Give to Mr. John Hodgson
 a druggs vest & breeches & shirt of Garlick. I Give to Ann Heath Junior one broader
 dish & little dish I Give to James Heath two Children two young knives. I Give to
 Ann Heath Junior one feather bed & bolster & blankets & rug I Give to William Rob^t
 my long Gun I Give to Rob^t Heath my Gun called of Burke. I Give to
 Joseph Bennets son Mr Bennet one Cow & calf & one year. I Give my Debt
 of pounds five of England to Rob^t Heath. I leave my well beloved wife Mary
 Hodgson my whole Executrix of all my earthly Estate & shee Legacies to be
 paid out as wittness we have this 15th day of August Anno Domini 1712.
 In Hodgson
 Witnessed
 Adam B. Lang.

John Patrick

Lehr. Church.

Assensus Hestoff Daniel Rice

South Carolina Feb. 21st 1711

Mathapungo.

The last will & Testament of Humphrey Edwards of Mathapungo of County of Bath being
In perfect health & memory. I Bequeath my Soul to God that gave it & my body to
Earth from whence it Came. I Give & Bequeath to my two daughters that is to say Eliza-
& Alice Edwards all my Land lying & being three hundred Acres as it is bounded
at Poplar point on of North Side of Mathapungo River Equally divided between
I divide between these my two Daughters &c their heirs forever only my loving wife Eliza-
shall have her dwelling thereon during her life if She pleases, I do also Give & Bequeath
To these my two Daughters Above all the one each of them my two servants one Son
& half one Son with Calf to them & their heirs forever &c all their increase
I do Give & Bequeath to my other two daughters Six hundred & forty Acres of land
which land appertains to of head land of of aforesd Poplar point adjacent of their land
over & I do Give & Bequeath to these my two Daughters that is to say Eliza & Mary
Edwards to them & half one with Calf that is to say each of them one Son & half one
with Calf & all their Increase to them & their heirs forever & if it shall please
God to take wither of these my four Daughters to himself then I shall their portion
be equally divided between of other three Surviving daughters & their heirs forever
that is to say if they Die without Issue; also I do constitute & appoint my
 Loving wife Elizabeth Wheat Executrix to fulfill this my last will & Testament
after my worldly debts being paid all of rest of my whole Estate moveable &
Immovable unto my loving wife Elizabeth Edwards, with my property to
for you all &c whilst life I do last where I have till my last & last of my
That above written.

Signed Seal in of presence of us.

Humphrey I Edwards.

Thomas Wilk.

Richard Whitford

Robert Green

In y Name of God Amen I Thomas Bond of of precinct of Coratuck
being Sick of Body but of Sound & well disposing memory for as much as I
of same I do make this my last will & Testament revoking all other wills be-
me heretofore made. I my body I commit to of Earth whence it was taken to be
Decently buried at of discretion of my next of blood Executrix hereafter named
of as for my worldly goods & Estate of land hath last me I dispose thereof in full
as follows, I Give & Bequeath unto my loving Son Charles Bond, of half of
Decendant of said Inver in being &c heretofore to him & his heirs forever
after my wife's Decease. I Give & Bequeath unto my loving Son John Bond

...the Ward of this Division of land to be & this has for ever, I give and
...to be given to Thomas Brent my land & plantation. Lying on Bearewood
...in this have for ever & one yeary lease & all my boxen Tools & Carpenters
...of all y^e rest & residue of my little Cattle & Goods after my debts & sundry
...I give & bequeath unto my loving Alms Deved whom I
...Do make & hereby & here bequeath of this my last will & Testament. revoking
...all other wills by me here before made as writings my hand this 28th day of
January 1712 Signed Sealed & Delivered

In y^e presence of us
William W. Powell
Thomas Davis
Elizabeth Sherwood

Thomas B Brent

In the Name of God Amen I Henry Furber In Henrico County
...Intending more out to y^e wrongs against y^e Indians make this
...and I hereby revoking all my other wills And this to be taken
...my last will. I bequeath my soul to mine Saviour God for his, or Salvation
...of Jesus Christ & for my worldly Estate. I bequeath as follows
...Plantation containing two hundred Acres of land to my near kinsman
...I give & bequeath one half of it to my Son Able by heirs of his
...without heirs of his Body lawfully
...I give & bequeath to my Daughter Elizabeth by heirs on her body
...without heirs then to my Daughter
...I give & bequeath unto all y^e rest of my Children, & as for
...of my land I give & bequeath to my Daughter Jane after
...of her mother & to y^e heirs of her body lawfully beotten in Cap. She
...without heirs of her body lawfully beotten then to my Daughter Hannah
...on her body lawfully beotten in Cap. She I give without heirs as aforesaid.
...then to my Daughter Ann by heirs of her body & so successively unto y^e rest of
...children & as for my moveable Estate I will & bequeath that my wife
...have y^e use & occupation of all of it During her life. only one son
...I give & bequeath which I bequeath unto my Daughter Jane by my
...will is that after my wife's Death & equally I have bequeath my two Daughters
Jane, Hannah, Mary, Elizabeth & Ann all my moveable Estate aforesaid.
And I hereby make & appoint my beloved wife Patience my wife & sole
Executrix of this my last will & Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto
set my hand & seal this 17th day of January 1712 Henry Furber

North Carolina.

In the Name of God Amen. I Richard Salt of
Chowan County North Carolina being sick & weak of Body but of sound & perfect reason & memory
Do make this my last will & testament in manner following. I leave my land & place
Gave it & what Estate he has been pleased to bestow on me with. I will & bequeath as follows
My land lying on the N^o Side of Maheron River I leave to my four Sons & their heirs
To be divided amongst them. Equally & give one hundred & five Acres that lies west of
Mouth of y^e River I leave to my Jonathan all y^e his heirs & next one hundred & five
Acres I leave to my son William Salt y^e his heirs, the next one hundred & five. I leave
to my son John Salt & his heirs, & remaining part of y^e tract I leave to my son Richard
Salt & his heirs, I will & bequeath unto my two Sons Jonathan & Richard a new or any
Horse marked with a flange & a white on one Buttock & a deep & half in one in
one Ear & so will & require y^e Executor or Executrix of this my last will & testament
to swap y^e Horse for a Breeding Mare & her Increase when they are fit
To be equally divided betwixt my 2^d Sons Richard & Jonathan. I will & bequeath unto
Each of my Sons & Each of my Daughters a young heifer to be delivered to them or
or for their life. Immediately after my Death & they & their Increase is to be in y^e
Custody of my Wife Elizabeth Salt, who I leave Executrix of this my last will
And testament until my Sons be Eighteen & Daughters be Sixteen years of
Age. I witness whereof I have signed with my hand & Seal this 15th day of
March In presence of

Richard Salt

Richard Salt

William Maule

Thomas B. K.

In the Name of God Amen. I John Ward of Chowan County of y^e Province
of North Carolina. Now making being very weak of Body but sound of mind do hereby
Appoint this my last will & testament in manner & form following. I Do hereby appoint
my beloved wife Elizabeth Ward my sole Executrix of this my last will & testament.
I Give & bequeath unto my beloved wife Elizabeth first all my Stock of Cattle either of
Manatock or Elce where. Also unto my Wife all my Acres or y^e what
soever either from y^e County or any private person due to me. I Give unto John B. K.
All my Slave makes Tools with and new Indian Guns &c.

I give unto my said wife all my household Goods & Cloaths provided the Day remains
in favour of otherwise I give & bequeath my household Goods & Cloaths unto my said Son
I hereby appoint my said wife the Executrix of this my last will & Testaments In
witness whereof I have unto hereunto set my hand & Seal the 16th Day of July Anno Dom.

Insurance Policy

John H. W.B.

Fig. 1. B.C.

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19 In the Name of God Amen. I Thomas Jones of North Carolina in
Perfect health & Memory at these present writing praise be to Almighty God for my
same, but considering the uncertainty of humane life & of many Callings &
Perill of Death, I have therefore constituted & made this my last will & testament in
me, absolutely renouncing Disannulling all former wills & Testaments by me made and
Declaring this only to be my last will & testament. In manner & forme following I Do
In all humility Request my Soul to God that Grant it to my Body to be Buried
Buried according to the Discretion of my Executors in hopes & full assurance of such
Resurrection to Everall Life through of alone Merits & Intercession of our Lord Jesus
Christ. As to my worldly Estate, I appoints constitute & ordaine my well Beloved
wife Elizabeth Jones to be Executrix of my loving Brother William Jones Executor
of this my last will & testament. I Give & bequeath to my well Beloved Son Tho. Jones
my plantation with Incom I will be with five hundred Acres of Land their belonging
to him & his heirs for ever after of the age of my wife Elizabeth Jones & three. And of
children with all their female Increase, untill of Age of fourteen years then to have
Male & female Increase, of ten not to be Debard of Selling upon any part of of said
the Term of Age of Sons & Daughters to be Followed & last of May next Insuing. I Give &
bequeath unto my well Beloved Son John Jones a piece of Land Called by of Name of
Kings Land Containing five hundred Acres Now Sent Dated by Martin Jones
not to him & his heirs for ever, & three Sons & Daughters with their female Increase
to come to of age of fourteen years then to have Male & female Increase of Sons & Daughters
to come to of last of May next Insuing. I Give & bequeath to my Son In Law Simeon
Haman five hundred & twenty Acres of Land lying & being upon of Great Swamp
between my plantation land of land that was formerly of Ephraim. And also my
belonging to John Swerton of in of possession of the same to him & his heirs for ever.
I Give all of goods of my Estate, realty & Ch. unto my well Beloved wife Elizabeth Jones
During her life & after her Decease to be Equally Divided betwixt of three Sons
Thomas Jones, John Jones, Simeon Haman, this I Do Declare to be my last will &
Testament & absolutely making void all other wills by me made as witness my
hand & Seal this 11th Day of January 1712

Thomas T Jones

Teste David Handerson
John Holbrook

31 In the Name of God Amen In y^e name of our Sovereign Lady
Queen Ann Queen of Great Brittain England Scotland France and
Ireland I John Ashue of y^e White County & living in y^e New Carrol Place
In a weak Condition but never of y^e being in perfect Health of mind & in
memory & in my Right Senses Be it known to all that I doth Herewith
Constitute & ordaine & appoint this to be my last will & testament as follows
I give my soule up into y^e hands of y^e Almighty who have unto me & mine
for eternal rest In Heaven with my Beloved Jesus Christ & as for my Body
I restore it to y^e Earth from whence it came I ordaine & appoint my
Beloved Brother Nicholas Ashue whom is my Executor to see my Body buried
after a Decent manner & after my funeral Expenses & other charges
Debts are paid. I Give & Bequeath unto my well beloved Son William Ashue
y^e plantation where I now live on & all other lands as Belong to me
y^e plantation full of land Belonging hereunto & as for my Goods & Debts
other of this world as aforesaid it is my Desire that ite shall be divided
amongst my Children whose names is William Ashue Joseph Ashue
Helie Mary Ashue: I constitute & ordaine my Beloved Brother Nicholas
Ashue as my Executor to see this my last will & testament
to be according to my Desire. I constitute & ordaine & appoint my Trusty friend
Smith to see all my Land Bargains w^{ch} can be made appear by virtue of
New Evidence that ever I sold to any person whosoever that he shall
be my Counselor & just Attorney to acknowledge y^e same Lands as he
made appear as aforesaid in any part of y^e Government of North Carolina as
Although there were there personal in place at that time this will
Is above written I ordaine & appoint to stand good as my last will &
Testament Given under my hand & Seal y^e 15th Day of October 1712.
This being my whole Desire to Die quietly & peacefully Be it known
willingly so doing this word in peace & Quietness Entered
Before asined this Writing of all other wills.

Signed Sealed & Delivered

John Ashue.

In y^e presence of us

John Browne.

Wm. Williams

Elizabeth Browne

In the Name of God Amen. In the Day of March my
 got in a new and better place. I have sold of some land in
 North Carolina & some more. In of some of the best of the
 Doe Make & some other things. I have sold of some of the best of the
 former instruments with the house & some other things. I have sold of some of the best of the
 that time made & some other things. I have sold of some of the best of the
 sold into of hands of some other persons. I have sold of some of the best of the
 my. I have sold of some of the best of the
 It is made to be. I have sold of some of the best of the
 mishtly has been please to sell me with in this week. I will give to some of the
 following list. My tract of land. I have sold of some of the best of the
 be equally divided between three of my sons. I have sold of some of the best of the
 & fifteen acres. I have sold of some of the best of the
 upon of same quantity of land. I have sold of some of the best of the
 upon his land. I have sold of some of the best of the
 third son John. I have sold of some of the best of the
 of land I bought from Thomas. I have sold of some of the best of the
 have given to my son Michael. I have sold of some of the best of the
 my son by his my last will & testament. I have sold of some of the best of the
 be taken to be equally divided among their surviving brothers. I have sold of some of the best of the
 my. I have sold of some of the best of the
 that I shall be. I have sold of some of the best of the
 three sons. I have sold of some of the best of the
 her choice both of of cattle & horses. I have sold of some of the best of the
 her brothers. I have sold of some of the best of the
 will that of land mill. I have sold of some of the best of the
 children. I have sold of some of the best of the
 I will that all my house & furniture. I have sold of some of the best of the
 sons. I have sold of some of the best of the
 for her. I have sold of some of the best of the
 I will that my horse & mare remaine at of plantation more than now are.
 for of use of of same till they are sold. I have sold of some of the best of the
 last named of my daughter Martha. I have sold of some of the best of the
 my last will & testament. I have sold of some of the best of the
 till he be able to provide him. I have sold of some of the best of the
 he may be desired to keep my son. I have sold of some of the best of the
 that I will Martha till they can better provide for themselves.

During her life & after her Death to my well beloved Daughter Mary & her heirs forever
I Give & bequeath all my moveable Estate, as houses & all other things which
my Debt being paid Equally to be Part to between my loving wife Elizabeth
Daughter Mary to have her full & Equal Share of every thing both male & female &
increase for ever after my Decease & I constitute & appoint Samuel Thomas to
meet & Thomas West to be my whole & sole Executors of this my last will & testament
whom I desire to take Care of my Daughter's & her heirs to have & her mother's Part
Due or to pay to her at & to sell some of her Real & Personal Estates as they shall think
to pay for her Schooling, as without my hand & Seal of Day & year above written
I test & so Witness

MARIA Mann
Mary D. Mann

William O. Smith

In the Name of God Amen. This first Day of November in the year of our Lord
One thousand Seven hundred & Seven I William Luther in & County of Albemarle State of
Virginia of North Carolina being sick in Body but sound & perfect mind thank God
do hereby declare to you my Executors of this my last will & testament
that I must give unto Death when it shall please God to call I make & declare
this to be my last will & testament: & one other reading & calling by high & lawful
Every will & wills Testament & Testament & by me made & signed. Either by word or writing
And this is to be taken for my last will & testament in manner & form as followeth
I Give of Selling of my Imperial Estate which I do and have pleased God to bestow
me above my Deeds I do over Give & Dispose of & Surrender as followeth
First I Give my Soul to God my Saviour & Redeemer trusting & believing & hoping to
Be saved & to have full remission of all my sins & to be free from all
it I Give & bequeath I do not bequeath and I do not give my Executors hereafter named
I Give unto my Daughter James of Plantations where on I am live with twenty
of Land there unto belonging after my wife's Decease to the & her heirs for ever
but in case she shall marry During her Mother's life then she to have of
a Part of Selling down on any part of my land & to be sold & to be sold
Mother, all of part of my Estate both personal & real I Give unto my loving wife
to be her heirs for ever whom I make my whole & sole Executors of this my
last will & testament of this being my last will & testament. I have hereunto
my hand & Seal of Day & year above written. Signed & sealed in presence
of us Thomas Luther

John & Maria West Jones

William M. Luther

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39 North Carolina p.
In the Name of God Amen I William Benbury of the County of Johnston
of the Province of North Carolina Planter being Sick & weak in Body, but of Sound and
perfect mind & memory I praise be God To make Ordaine Certificate of Testam.
These presents to be & to containe my last will & Testam^t. hereby revoking & annulling
all former & other wills or Testam^t. by me heretofore made or declared.
I will that all my just Debts & funeral Expences be paid by my Executors
hereafter named. I Give & bequeith of plantation whereon I now live, together
with my other plantation whereon my son In Law James Watch now liveth
unto my loving wife Jane for & During of term of her Natural life; & after her
Decease, I Give & bequeith of plantation whereon I now live, to my son William
& his heirs & Assignes for ever, & my other plantation whereon James Watch now
liveth: after & Decease of my Wife I Give & bequeith unto my son for &
his heirs & Assignes for ever. I Give & bequeith unto my loving wife Jane all of
my Occupation of all my personal Estate, to wit: to wit: of her & her
Heir shall remaine sole; And I hereby Authorize & Impower my Wife at any time
During her life, or by her last will Testam^t. to Give & bequeith all my
personal Estate to such of my Children now unmarried, & in such parts
proportions as she shall think fitt. But if it so happens that my Wife should
after my Decease marry, then & In such Case I Give & bequeith of the
thirds of my personal Estate to be equally Divided all such time of Marriage
among my Children now unmarried Vizt: William John, Martha and
Hannah, & of other third to my wife after Decease & always reserved to me. In
William & Will now standing in my hand for my son for as much money
as shall purchase another, & lastly do make Certificate, & subscribe my name
wife Jane, my whole & sole. Executrix of this my last will & Testam^t. I
Testimony whereof I, the said William Benbury have hereunto put my hand
& Seal this thirteenth Day of July Anno Dom 1709. Signed Sealed & published
And declared in presence of
Hans Bomer
Ann Mable
Edw Mable

North Carolina p.
In the Name of God Amen. the last day of August 1708. I the said
of Bath County in the Province of North Carolina Gent. being of perfect mind & memory
Thanks be given unto God: therefore calling to mind & memento of my Body knowing
it is appointed for all men once to dye I have made & Ordaine this my last will & Testam^t.
That wit. my principall first & last. I Give & bequeith my Body to God & my Soul
to God & give & bequeith to my Son by bequeith Hannah Smith

In the Name of God Amen. I John Rowley of the County of Middlesex in the Province of Cardigan being sick in body but in sound & full memory praise be given to God for y^e same. Doe make this my last will & testament in w^{ch} I have expressed that is to say first & principally I bequeath my last w^{ch} of mine hands of y^e my Creator assuredly hoping through y^e merits of my blessed Saviour to obtaine remission of all my sins, y^e my body I commit to y^e earth whence all were taken & decently buried by y^e Discretion of my Executors hereafter named, & as for y^e worldly Goods & Estate of y^e said hath left me I Bequeath thereof as following. I Give unto y^e Right Reverend of y^e aboves^d County & Province after my decease & funeral Charges discharged I make & appoint my Executors, friend & heir my whole & sole Heir of y^e said my last will & Testament, nevertheless all other wills by me herebefore made Witness I have hereunto set my hand & Seal this thirtieth Day of August 1607 Signed Sealed & published

In presence of us.

Th. Miller

Charles Figg

For Father

John J. Barclay

In the Name AMEN. Francis Rapwell of Allegator in of County of
Allermarle in of shire of Newprotantky province of the Carolina. I do hereby
testify & certify to all men of my own memory & to the silent waiting blessed be the almighty God of
without any fraud or doing of Deceit from me or any other person hereafter, this my will
will & testament to be in force & manner as followeth herein mentioned in of first place
I Commit my soul into the hands of Almighty God who gave it me, & forgive me through the merits
of his Dear Son Jesus Christ & in his most sacred Death & passion & for his most precious
Blood which he shed upon the Cross for me & many, that he will Grant me full & free pardon
of all my sins & iniquities & that he will through his infinite mercy receive me into
his Everlasting life. As for my body I Commit it to the Earth from whence it came to be
buried all in such Decent manner as of Direction of my Executors hereafter named.
In of first place will is all my Debts to be paid. After my Debts paid I give & bequeath my
real & personal moveable & immovable Estate unto my two Daughters Martha
Rapwell & Mary Rapwell & to the heirs of their body lawfully begotten for ever my Da
Martha I bequeath of plantation Inverlode on my Daughter Mary I bequeath one
hundred acres of Land upon of South side of Allegator Creek joining to of land of Samuel
Paine likewise one hundred acres of of same Tract I bequeath it to my youngest Daughter
Mariane Rapwell but as to all my real & personal Estate whether free or tithed
Lands or other Personal Estate either here in Virginia I bequeath unto my two
Daughters & the heirs of their body for ever my will is of of course. Witness my
Hand & Seal this 10th day of June 1708.

I do hereby then to have but a third part & to no other Intent or purpose: I have ordained
 institute & appoint my Dear Loving wife, whole & sole Executrix of this my last will
 Testament, utterly annulling all others, with this I have hereunto set my hand
 & seal my said last day January 17th 1712. My will is that if my Daughter
 Sarah Borden be deceased
 I give with Grace, then my plantation
 to fall to my youngest Brother Wm Borden
 Hephworth, if he be he a stranger Edge of that
 land in writing if his right to mine then
 if he won't acknowledge then to have
 none from me. Witness my hand & seal
 in presence of us
 John White Hannah Warrand
 Eben. Bate

In the name of God Amen I Edmund Borden of Concord in the County of Middlesex
 do hereby certify of my last will & testament, recalling to mind of all things
 that I have made & ordained this my last will & testament, revoking other will or wills
 that I have made: first I give my body to God from whence it was taken to be buried
 in the Christian burying place my Executrix hereafter named I thus think convenient. I send
 my soul to God who, have it hoping by his merits to receive forgiveness for all my
 sins & transgressions which I have committed in this wicked world. I give to my son Jo
 Borden my Bay Mare with her Increase. I give to my son Jo Borden my Bay horse. I
 give to my son Jo Borden my mill. I give to my son Jo Borden my plantation & wood of
 my woods ridge after my wives decease to him & his heirs forever. I give to my loving wife
 Sarah Borden my several more of all her Increase. I give my several horse built to my
 Daughter Sarah Borden. My will & desire is that my son Jo Borden have all of Cattle in
 my Stock w^{ch} are of his proper make, also my will & desire is that my Daughter
 Sarah Borden have all of Cattle in my Stock w^{ch} are of her proper make. I give to my
 Daughter Mary Borden all of Cattle in my Stock of her own proper make. I give my
 Negro man Tobee to my wife Sarah Borden. During her life & after her decease to my two
 Daughters Jane Borden & Susannah Borden, also my will & desire is that my loving wife
 Sarah Borden have all of part part of my Estate all her Disposed except one Gold ring w^{ch}
 I give to my Daughter Mary Borden, also I make for ains & appoint my loving wife
 Sarah Borden my whole & sole Executrix of this my last will & testament to be it duly
 performed & to pay all my lawful & just Debts, also my will & desire is of my Brother
 Benja: Full & my Brother Wm & my Friend Jo Wicker may receive my Estate
 and prevent any frauds w^{ch} may or shall happen in any case or cases. as witness
 my hand & seal this 29th of July Anno Dom: 1711.
 Signed sealed in presence of us
 John White
 Thomas Warrand
 Hephworth
 Thomas Borden
 Edmund Borden

48 The last will & Testament of Sir Moncreif of H^l Carolina being writ in his last of p^{er}fect
The five & sixteenth year of his Majesty King Charles the first of his Majesty hath endowed me with all as-
setts. I give & bequeath unto my beloved wife Mary Moncreif of manner & plantation
During her life & after her decease to my youngest son George Moncreif containing one hundred
and sixty acres of land & if Sir George Moncreif liveth to come to man's estate he shall
have of liberty to have any part of it & if he should die without lawful heir or heirs
I give unto my son Thomas Moncreif one hundred & sixty acres of land joining to of manner & plan-
tion. I give to my son William Moncreif one hundred & sixty acres of land joining to Sir Tho. Moncreif's
land. I give to my son John Moncreif one hundred & sixty acres of land joining to my son William Moncreif's
land to them & their heirs for ever: and if one or more should dye without lawful heir or heirs
of same land to be equally divided amongst of rest every one. My sons shall begin at & possession
of the same their due part to of land line. I give to my beloved wife Mary Moncreif one hundred
pounds of silver & pence for pence & 6 English pence for pence & one more for her to be used
for furniture belonging to it & one great pot & one bay mare & her increase only my beloved wife
Mary Moncreif shall have in her life. I give to my son George Moncreif a young mare of 3 years old when he cometh up
all of his household goods after the death of Mary Moncreif shall be given to my son George Moncreif
I give to my beloved wife Mary Moncreif 3 pence for pence & 6 English pence for pence & one more for her to be used
One pair of her horse & 6 little horse for pence & 6 English pence for pence & one more for her to be used
a lock of her to be of one great table for her to be used & one great table for her to be used
Knife one great narrow ax. I give to my Daughter Mary Moncreif one feather bed & one great
A new pair of shoes & 6 little shoes one pair of shoes & 6 little shoes one pair of shoes & 6 little shoes
Shoes one little pot & 6 little shoes one pair of shoes & 6 little shoes one pair of shoes & 6 little shoes
2 pence for pence & 6 English pence for pence & one more for her to be used
Small auger one adze. I give to my son William Moncreif 2 pence for pence & 6 English pence for pence & one more for her to be used
2 Iron wedges one narrow ax one little Chark with lock of her. I give to my son Tho. Moncreif
2 pence for pence & 6 English pence for pence & one more for her to be used
pair of shoes & 6 little shoes one pair of shoes & 6 little shoes one pair of shoes & 6 little shoes
Auger 2 Charks. I give to my beloved wife & my son George 6 pence for pence & 6 English pence for pence & one more for her to be used
one year of her land. I give to my Daughter Mary Moncreif 3 pence for pence & 6 English pence for pence & one more for her to be used
I give to Sir Tho. Moncreif 2 pence for pence & 6 English pence for pence & one more for her to be used
one year of her land. I give to my Daughter Mary Moncreif 3 pence for pence & 6 English pence for pence & one more for her to be used
I give to my son Tho. Moncreif 2 pence for pence & 6 English pence for pence & one more for her to be used
I give to my daughter Mary Moncreif 3 pence for pence & 6 English pence for pence & one more for her to be used
if not of her, as for of her land & one more. I give to my wife for of her of her land & one more
if her were up to her my wife & one more. I give to my wife for of her of her land & one more
The skin of her dog & one more. I give to my wife for of her of her land & one more
I give to my wife for of her of her land & one more. I give to my wife for of her of her land & one more
of a new table. I give to my wife for of her of her land & one more. I give to my wife for of her of her land & one more
you shall think fit. I give to my son George 6 pence for pence & 6 English pence for pence & one more for her to be used
for all other things that is not mentioned I leave to my beloved wife Mary
Moncreif & she have of her land & one more. I give to my wife for of her of her land & one more

In the Name of God Amen. I John Porter in y^e County of Albemarle in th^e
 Carolina Merchant being sick & weak of body but of a sound perfect & disposing memory
 do make & constitute of ordain this to be my last will & testament in manner & of former following
 Vest. I Imp^t Thomas my son unto Almighty God & my body I Commit to y^e Earth to be buried
 in Decent Christian Burial. I Give devise & Bequeith to Mary my well beloved
 wife the Moiety or halfshare of my land lying in Chowan County in y^e County of
 Albemarle in North Carolina aforesaid & of house the more lvs in Containing y^e
 hundred Acres of land be of same more or less to be by her held & enjoyed for & during
 of her Natural life. I Give after y^e Death & Decese of my Wife I Doe hereby give
 & devise & Bequeith unto Edward Porter my son y^e said moiety or halfshare of my
 land & dwellinghouse lying at Chowan aforesaid to be by him his heirs & assigns held & enjoyed
 for ever after. I Give also & Bequeith unto my son
 Edmund Porter all & singular y^e Moiety of my said land lying at Chowan aforesaid
 Containing y^e by Estimation Twelve hundred Acres be it more or less all & singular y^e
 edifices & appurtenments to be also by him & Edmund Porter his heirs & assigns
 and enjoy as in & for Simple for ever. I Doe Give & Bequeith unto my son
 John Porter his heirs & assigns as in & for Simple for ever all that Tract or parcel of
 land with these tenements lying in Bath County in North Carolina aforesaid
 Name of Hocowinsett Containing by Estimation Sixteen or Seventeen hundred Acres
 of land be it more or less to be by him & John Porter his heirs & assigns held & enjoyed
 as in & for Simple for ever I Give Grant devise & Bequeith unto my son Ephraim Porter his
 heirs & assigns as in & for Simple for ever all that Tract or parcel of land called Quaker
 lying in y^e same County on y^e other side of a Creek to hold unto him & Ephraim Porter
 his heirs & assigns as in & for Simple for ever. I Doe Give Grant devise & Bequeith unto my
 son Matthew Porter his heirs & assigns as in & for Simple for ever y^e Moiety or halfshare
 of two thousand Acres of land lying on y^e other side of y^e River in y^e State of North Carolina
 of one Richard Smith to hold unto him & Matthew Porter his heirs & assigns for ever
 my will is that in case either of my said sons Thomas Porter or Matthew Porter shall
 before to die before they shall attaine their respective age of one & twenty years such
 Legacies be by me here in before given to him be dying shall come remaine & be to y^e
 Survivor of them his heirs & assigns for ever. I Give Grant & Bequeith all y^e Remainder y^e of
 moiety of y^e Two thousand Acres now is already cleared with all his crops & appurtenments
 unto my son in Law John Pilling & Sarah his now wife to hold unto them & their
 assigns for & during y^e term of their Natural lives after their Death & Decese I Doe
 hereby Give Grant devise & Bequeith the said land with their appurtenments unto y^e heirs
 of y^e body of her & Sarah Pilling to be by them as in & for Simple for ever for default
 of such issue then to my said heirs for evermore. I Doe Give & Bequeith unto my daughter
 Elizabeth Porter her heirs & assigns as her mother I shall think fit to Give after her
 mother & then living to be delivered unto her when she shall attaine y^e age
 of fourteen years or be married so that y^e said daughter is to have and hold of time
 with her Mother.

