

In the name of God AMEN I James Johnson of the County of
Mecklenburg being sick and weak in Body but of perfect sense sound
mind and memory do make this my last will in manner and form
following (that is to say) first I recommend my soul into the hands of
Almighty God who gave it and commit my Body to the earth to be
Buried in a decent manner my estate defraying my funeral charges
and what worldly goods God has been pleased to bestow on me I give
and bequeath as follows First I give and bequeath to my loving
wife Suckey Johnson during her natural life the plantation I now
live on containing two hundred Acres also all my furniture all
my Stock of Cattle except eight head such as she can best spare all
my Hogs and Sheep the gray Horse black mare & sorrel filley and my
wrench Saffrey my desire is that at the death of my said wife the
furniture Stock of Cattle Sheep Hogs and Horses above mentioned be sold
to the highest bidder and the money arising therefrom to be

Buried in a decent manner my whole defraying my funeral charges
and what worldly goods I so have been pleased to bestow on one I give
and bequeath as follows I give and bequeath to my loving
wife Suckey Johnson during her natural life the plantation I now
live on containing two hundred Acres also all my furniture all
my Stock of cattle except eight head such as she can best spare all
my Hogs and Sheep the gray horse black mare & sorrel filley and my
wench Daffney my desire is that at the death of my said wife the
furniture Stock of cattle Sheep Hogs and Hens above mentioned be sold
to the highest bidder and the money arising from such sale to be
equally divided between all my children I give unto my son
John Johnson one hundred and fourteen Acres of Land where he
formerly lived adjoining my Plantation to him and his heirs forever
I give and bequeath to my son James Johnson my Station cart
and

called Jack of Limons also right hand of battle, such as his mother chooses to spare to be delivered him at my death. also my wench Dafney at his mothers death to him and his heirs forever I leave I give unto my son James Johnson I give my sorrell horse and saddle collar bell my gun & Bayonet also the plantation whereon I now live at his mothers death containing two hundred Acres more or less to him and his heirs forever I leave my eldest son John Johnson & William Johnson I give son of Phil Johnson of the City exors of this my last will and Testament In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this twenty fifth day of May in the year of our Lord 1779

signed sealed published & declared by the
J^r Johnson his last will & Testament
in presence of us
W^m Johnson
Enos^{his} & Matthews
mark

his
J^r + Johnson
mark



in presence of us

W^m Johnson

Enos^{his} Matthews
mark

Mary Johnson

At a Court held for Mecklenburg County the 8th day of November 1784

This will was proved was proved by the oath of William Johnson witness
thereto. and at a Court continued and held for the said County the 9th day of
November the said will was further proved by the oath of Enos Matthews
another witness thereto and ordered to be recorded And on the motion of John
Johnson one of the executors therein named who made oath thereto and together
with William Johnson his security interdict, did acknowledged their
Bond in the penalty of five hundred pounds conditioned as the Law directs
certificate was granted him for obtaining a probat of the said will in due form

Teste

John Bracon K. C. C.