

Samuel
Parish's
Will

In the name of God amen I Samuel Parish of the County of Mecklenburg
being sick and weak of Body but of perfect mind and a disposing memory
thanks be to god for the same and calling to mind the frailty & uncer-
tainty of human life make & ordain this my last will & Testament
in manner & form as follows. First I recommend my soul to the hands
of God that gave it and my body to be buried in a christian decent
manner at the discretion of my executors hereafter named. First I desire
my lands lying and being in the County of Lunenburg and lying
on the upper side of Barnes ellsworth containing one hundred Acres be
the same more or less to be sold either publick or private at the discre-
tion of my executor as he may think most proper and giving such
credit as he shall think most proper and such money as arises from
the sale of my Land I desire may be paid to interest and such
Interest as arises from the sale of that Land I desire may go to the
support of my Father & Mother or my Sister Mary Parish during their
natural life and after their decease I desire

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...and daily to wash during their
natural life and after their decease I give such money as arose
from the sale of my Land to my brother William Burch to him
and his heirs forever and lastly I appoint Philip Rix executor of
this my last will and Testament and revoking all
other wills by me before made In witness hereof I have set my
hand and fixed my seal this sixteenth day of February one thousand
seven hundred eighty five

Signed Sealed & Delivered,
in the presence of us }

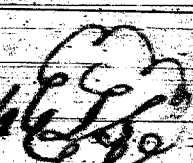
John Allen
Lucy B. Caswell
Nancy Baker

his
Samuel X Parish
mark

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This will was proved by the Oath of John Allen & Nancy Baker witnesses thereto
and ordered to be recorded And on the motion of Philip Rix the executor

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thereto names who made Oath thereto and together with Sampson
Bourne his security entered into and acknowledges their Bond in the
penalty

penalty of Five hundred pounds Conditioned as the said decessor certificate
is granted him for obtaining a patent thereof in due form.

Teste
John Brown Esq.

In obedience to an Order of the Worshipful Court of Mecklenburg
County we being first sworn have proceeded to lay off & assign
unto Elizabeth Johnson widow & select of James Johnson deced
our third part of the land as to Value that the said James
Johnson deced proposed of in the following manner Beginning
at a black Oak in Johnsons old line thence south west course
to a stub at the outside corner of the Orchard fence thence up the
said fence to a cherry Tree at Mulchesons road thence north to a
corner white oak thence a north east course to a corner red oak
thence west by south to a corner maypole in the nearby branch