

shall continue to live and abide unmarrried with her my Land negroes
 dwelling stock & every thing of every denomination of which I shall die, propose
 to be by her occupied and enjoyed for the purpose aforesaid. Item upon
 the of my said wife I give and bequeath to my son Clement Blackburn
 and to his heirs forever my aforesaid Land dwelling live stock & horses
 together with three negroes viz. Jack, Tabb & Lena. Item I give & bequeath
 to my daughter Elizabeth Williams and to her heirs forever my two negroes
 Marcell and Edwin. Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Marianna
 Blackburn and to her heirs forever my negro Cinderella together with her two
 children Damon and Nelson and further apppoint for my said daughter
 any progeny that shall be born of the said Cinderella from the date of this
 Instrument. Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Mary Asford
 Blackburn and to her heirs forever my three negroes Fessilma Endorse
 and Boxer. Item having given and delivered to my daughter Charlotte Hall
 my negro girl Julia I now give and bequeath to her and her heirs forever my
 negro Boy Pliny. Item if my wifes circumstances shall enable her I

and the exigencies of any of our children giving to any of them at her discretion
such articles as she can spare out of the House or Stock but not to contravene
any dispositions made in the above legacies Lastly I appoint my said
wife my son Clement and my daughters Marianna & Mary joint
executors of this my will and Testament excluding however from the executorship
any one or more of them who shall be married unless they all be so then that
case they shall all jointly act in it And in confirmation of the premises
I hereunto set my hand and seal in presence of the under written
witnesses and on this twenty eighth day of July one thousand seven hundred
eighty four

In Witness whereof I pronounce this
my last will and Testament before

John Puryear

Josiah Mays

Thos Guild

Thos Blackburn 

At a Court held for Mecklenburg County the 8th day of November 1788

This Will was proved by the Oaths of Joshua Mays and Thomas Field
Witnesses thereto and Ordered to be recorded Also on the motion of Marianne
Blackbourn one of the executors therein named who made oath thereto
and together with Richard Kesson and Sir Peyton Shepworth her
securities entered into and acknowledges their Bonds in the penalty of
two thousand pounds Conditions as the said directs certificate was
granted her for obtaining a probat of the said Will in due form
Liberty being reserves for the other executors therein named to join
in the probat when they shall think fit

Teste

Adam Branson, Esq. Clerk,

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