IN THE NAME OF GOD, AMEN. I, John McKinzie, minister of Suffolk Parish in Nansemond County, being perfect and sound both in Body and mind, do make and ordain this my Last Will & Testament in manner and form follow'g, that is to say, first, I Commend my soul to my Good and Gracious God of whom I humbly & earnestly beg and trust to obtain mercy and pardon by ye merrits & Intercession of Jesus Christ my blessed Savour and Redemer, in whom alone I put my trust and whom I flee to ye mercies of God hoping he will accept of my sincere Repentance and that he will assist me with his Holy Spirit and Guide me through ye Valley of ye Shadow of Death and Receive me into his Kingdom & Glory.

As to my worldly Goods or Estate, first I give & bequeath to my Eldest Son, John, seven hundred and ninety five Acres of my Land at skeehawkee which I lately purchased of John Spier, joining to the manner place lying in Torril County and three hundred and five acres in the Island of Carorine lying

in Bartee County to him and his heirs forever.

Item. I give to my second son, Kenneth, thousand acres of my Land at said Skeehawkee in Including a watermill & ye parcel Land thereto adjoining lying in the County aforesd. together with ye. priveledge of pasturage in the above Name Island of Carorine to him and his heirs forever.

Item. I give and bequeath to my third Son, William, three hundred acres of my land lying on Roanoke River in Bartee County Lately purchased of William Word to him and his heirs forever.

Item. I give and Bequeath to each of sd. three sons one hundred pounds Curt. money of Virginia part of which sum to be laid out and applied towards training & Educating to such crediable calling or mechanick business as shall appear to be most fiting and suitable to their Geneous & Capacities.

Item. I give and Bequeath to my Eldest Daughter, Janet, one hundred and fifty pounds money aforesd. to her & her

heirs forever.

Item. I give to my second Daughter, Anne ye. like some of one hundred and fifty pounds money aforesd. to her & her

heirs forever.

Item. I will and ordain that ye several sums of money Bequeathed to my said children be settled upon Good security and the Interest thence accruing, if Necessary, to be applied toward their maintenance and Education.

Item. I will and ordain that in case any of my children should die in their menority that then the Deceased portion shall be Equally shared and divided among ye. surviving.

Item. I will and ordain that my Negroes shall not be divided during ye. minority of my children unless my Exrs. shall think fitt to sell one of my fellows Named Bristo & buy another younger in his room, and afterward he be equally

shared among them.

Item. I will and ordain that all my cattle hogs sheep crop at ye. Glebe, what sallary may be due to me from Suffolk parish, and whatever part of my household goods, &c., my Exrs. shall fitt to Dispose of for saving ye. Trouble and charges of Transportation to be sold and fifty pounds of the price thereof to be allowed my Exers. towards Defraying ye charges of Removing my family from hence to Carolina & settling them.

Item. I will and ordain that ye Remainder of my household goods be managed at ye Discretion of my Exors. to ye benefit of my family. I will and ordain that my Exors. & family shall have liberty to remove from hence with whatever part of my estate they shall think fit to carry along with

them without giving any security in this County.

Item. I constitute and appoint Wm. Gray, my Brotherinlaw, Capt. John Hill, of Bartee County, James Pugh and Pasco Turner of Nansemond County, Exrs. of this my last will and testament.

In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal, this second day of March in ye year of our Lord one thousand,

seven hundred & fifty four.

JOHN MACKINZIE.

Signed, sealed and delivered in ye presents of

JAMES PUGH,
JAS. WRIGHT,
CHRISTIAN X GOOD

and Testament of John Mackinzie was proved by ye oathe of Jas. Wright and Christian Good, two of ye Witnesses thereto, also by ye oaths of Wm. Gray, John Hill & James Pugh three of ye Exors, therein Named who gave bond with Josiah Riddick, Willis Riddick, and Daniel Pugh, Gent...

At a Court held for Nansemond County Apl. 8, 1754, The Last Will

their securities, Certificate for obtaining Letters Testamentory on ve sd. Will granted unto ye sd. Exors. in due form. Pasco Turner ye other Exor. in ve said Will mentioned came into Court & refused to take on himself ve Burthen & Execution thereof. Test. Lemuel Riddick, Cl. Ct.

True Copy,

Test: Lemuel Riddick, Cl. Ct.

Copied from Original Will, filed in the Office of the Secretary of State