

Peter Goodman's Will

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In the name of God Amen ^{Peter} Goodman of the County of Ashe & State of North Carolina being over
sick & weak in body but of a perfect mind and
memory thanks be given unto God Calling to
mind the mortality of my body & knowing it is
appointed for all men once to die do make &
ordain this my last will & Testament that is to
say principally & first of all I recommend
my soul into the hands of Almighty God who gave
it. & my body to the Earth to be buried in a de-
cent Christian burial at the discretion of
my friends, & as touching such worldly Estate
whereunto it has pleased God to bless me
with in this life, I give devise & dispose of in
the following manner & form first, I give & bequeath
unto Barbara my dearly beloved wife all my
Land good & Chattels, & every thing in my possession
to be possessed by her during her widowhood
& at the time when my youngest son Jacob com-
es of age or when my wife Barbara leaves her wid-
owhood & is married, every thing to be divided
equally among my children & her to have an
equal Childs Part. I likewise constitute and
ordain my beloved wife Barbara & my friend
Henry Worden my sole Executor & Executrix
of this my last will & Testament & I do hereby utterly
disallow revoke & disannul every other former
Wills Testaments Legacies bequests & Executions
by me in any wise before ~~made~~ wills
& bequeathed ratify my & confirming this & no other
to be my last will & Testament, In witness whereof I have this
day set my hand & seal this 4th day of Feb^r A.D. 1811
Signed sealed published pronounced
& declared by the sd Peter Goodman to be
his last will & Testament in the presence
of us who in his presence & in presence
of each have hereto subscribed our
names. John Kester. } Jacob Fawcett
Peter Goodman