

North Carolina

In the Name of God Amen I John Alderson of Beaufort County being weak in Body but sound in mind and memory Do make this my Last Will and Testament as follows.

Imprimis I Lend to my beloved wife Ann Alderson the Plantation whereon I now live for the Term of fourteen years To maintain the Children and I do hereby constitute and Impower Col^l John Barrow & Jas Ellison Michael Boutanike To be my true and Lawful Executors of this my Last Will & Testament to act and Do and Sell either of the Plantations my Quarter or part or both Lands To pay off Debts as far as is awaiting. I Impower the said Executors or any of them to sell negroes Chattels or hogs or horses or any other my possession as far as is Required to pay my Lawful debts and the Remainder to be Divided 1 part to my Loving wife and the other two parts to my Sons Levi John and Simon Alderson my will further is that my Executor to bind out James to a trade and I give and bequeath to him the said James Alderson one Shilling Lawful Money of Great Britain which is his full part of my Estate.

I acknowledge this to be my Last Will & Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal this Second Day of January In the year of our Lord 1761

Witness present

Thos^r Latham
Sarah ^{her} Martain
Sarah Howard

John Alderson O

Beaufort County } Present his Majesty's Justices
June Court 1761

Then are to Certify that Miche Boutanike John Barrow & Jas Ellison Qualified as Exors to the within Will By taking the Oath by Law appoint

Test W^{ts} Ormond C. C.

January the 5 Day 1761

In the Name of God Amen

I Thomas McKee of the province of North Carolina and of the County of Beaufort being in perfect sense and memory have Taken this Time to settle my worldly affairs which is as Followeth

Item I give and bequeath to my well beloved Son John McKee the Land and plantation whereon I now live

Item I give unto my well beloved Son James McKee one Shilling Sterling

Item I give unto my well beloved Daughter Lisabeth price one Shilling Sterling

Item I give and bequeath to my well beloved Daughter Mary McKee one heifer

Item I give and bequeath to my well beloved Daughter in Law Mary Hardy one heifer

Item I give and bequeath to my well beloved Daughter Martha McKee one heifer

Item I give and bequeath to my well beloved Son Thomas McKee one heifer

Item I give and bequeath to my well Beloved Wife all my worldly goods to pay my Lawful Debts with and to raise the Children if they will live with her I desire my Son John to be bound to William Vines and my Daughter Mary to Jacob Durdan and his Wife and I leave my well beloved wife my whole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament

Jo^s Eckols

James McKee

Thomas McKee

June Court 1761 Present his Majesty's Justices
These are to Certify that the within Will was Proved according to Law in Open Court by the Oath of Jo^s Eckols
Ordered to be Recorded

Test W^{ts} Ormond C. C.