

In the Name of God Amen, the nineteenth day of
the year of our Lord 1896 I James Leggett of
Bible County & State of North Carolina being
in body but of feeble mind and memory recall
to mind the mortality of my body & that it is appointed
for all men once to die, do make order constitute
appointing this my last will and testament in words
and form following — ~~E~~ E

I bequeath my will and desire is that my funeral charges
and debts be first paid — I then Give & bequeath
to my three sons, John, James, Canath Leggett all
to be equally divided among them according to
age and quality that is to say to share and share
them and their heirs & assigns forever —

I Give and bequeath unto my wife, three sons
and Canath Leggett one fourth part of my
estate each one of them — ~~E~~ E

I Give and bequeath unto my four daughters, Mary
Elizabeth, Catherine, Francis Leggett all my Negroes, horses
& dogs, sheep, household furniture, including all the
revenue of my Estate excepting what is already paid
them their heirs & assigns forever that is to say to share
them alike —

I hereby nominate & ordain executor and ap-
point my two brothers James & Canath Leggett & I
do to them my last will and testament to be

In the Name of God Amen, the ninth day of Decemr
in the year of our Lord Christ 1798 I James Leggett of
Public County & State of North Carolina being
well in body but of feeble mind and memory recollecting
the mortality of my body & that it is appointed
for all men once to die, do make certain constitute
limited this my last will and testament in manner
and form following — ~~DE~~ E

I give and devise to my son James Leggett
the debt to be first paid — I give and devise
to my three sons, John, James, and Nathaniel Leggett
to be equally divided among them according to
the quality that is to say to share and share
them and their heirs & assigns forever —

I give and devise unto my wife three
one and Nathaniel Leggett one fourth part of my
each one of them — ~~DE~~ E

I give and devise unto my four daughters
Elizabeth, Catherine, Francis, Leggett all one fourth part
of their household furniture including all the
debt of my Estate excepting what is already paid
them their heirs & assigns forever that is to say to share
them alike —

I hereby nominate certain constitute and
appoint my two brothers James Leggett & Nathaniel Leggett
to be my executors as follows to wit

fulfill the same according to law. In witness whereof I have
set unto my hand and seal the day & date above
written —

James Lear Esq

James Lear in the
presence of us
John Collins
Christian And
Abraham Davis

Tested at the County of York
the 1st day of June 1797

John Lear Esq. of the County of York
last will & testament of
James Lear and was proved in open Court before the Honble
John Collins Esq. Clerk of the said Court
James Davis Esq. and
Abraham Davis Esq.

State of North Carolina

In the name of God Amen.

I John Lear of the County of York being of legal
age and sound mind make this my last will & testament
in witness whereof I have signed and sealed this my last will & testament
in the presence of my friends, naming the same of age
as follows, which shall not be felt used but for the
purpose of the Statute.

I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife a parcel
of land, namely James and Lear, and the same shall
be to her and her heirs, her heirs, her heirs, all just claims
and being just paid —

Item. The residue and remainder of my Estate of lands and
Tenements, goods Chattels with all the profits of what kind
now, to me accruing, I give devise and bequeath unto
the child with which my beloved wife is now pregnant, pro-
vided it live to the age of twenty one years if a Son; if a
Daughter ~~to the age of twenty one years~~ but if my child
should be born dead or die before it attain the age of
twenty one years if a Son or Marriage if a Daughter then
it is my will that my beloved wife have all my Estate,
Lands, Tenements, goods Chattels with all profits of
what kind to her use and right for ever —

Lastly. I do hereby constitute, name, appoint and authorize
John Lear Esq. my Executor, jointly with the Honble George
Lear Esq. Executor of this my last will and testament
to my last will, receiving and discharging all the
debts and claims of my Estate by me due and to be
made, collecting and confirming this and no other to
be my last will & testament. In witness whereof I have
set unto my hand and seal this third day of
January one thousand seven hundred and ninety
seven. Signed, sealed and
declared by the within named
John Lear Esq. to be his last
will and testament in presence of
John Lear Esq. and of
other

Two more names in the third clause

Thos. Ed. Hall

John Bryan

Thomas Callaway Junr

State of N. Carolina, of the County of —
Bertie County.

The last will and testament
of John Gray made and was proved in open Court by
the oath of Thos. Ed. Hall one of the Jurors and
witnesses and ordered to be recorded.

George Gray

Resideant Town of Bertie County being a Christian
man and law in health of body and mind a still
memory of a declaration made and published his
last will and testament. In the last clause. He be-
queathed to my son David three and two thirds acres of
land adjoining about one hundred acres more or less
the same was a piece which he bought of Thomas
Bryan State of N. Carolina. This land was in Bertie
County and was in Bertie County. He also bequeathed
to my son David, and also to my small
daughter in Bertie County and the land of a lot which it
stands on Bertie County. He bequeathed to my son David three and
two thirds acres of land which he bought in
Bertie County and also to my small daughter in Bertie County and the land of a lot which it
stands on Bertie County. He bequeathed to my son David three and two thirds acres of land which he bought in Bertie County and also to my small daughter in Bertie County and the land of a lot which it stands on Bertie County.

with the improvements thereon to be occupied by Mr. David
Callaway with one half of all my Estate not particularly
divided away, in. First to hold the said house and lot
and one half of my Estate, for my daughter. As to the
Bertie County, dividing that one said house and the person or
persons he was a friend will claim the property and
disposal of the said property and has the right to
give it to my daughter. This will in person or to her own
in writing signed by herself; and at the death of my
said daughter then to be in force to all the children
the male have equally to be divided among them.

He bequeathed to my son David and his heirs the other
half of all my Estate not particularly divided away.
Firstly, I give to my son David all the land and
to sell and make title to all some part of the land
and property, which I desire to him in Bertie County that
he may think most advisable to sell and have the
money giving the same to the same David. As to
the land and a lot of my son David three and two
thirds acres of land of the same will and land
all other wills. I have before made, and I have
allowed me to be in force to all the day of his death
I give to my son David three and two thirds acres of land and
to my small daughter in Bertie County and the land of a lot which it stands on Bertie County.

I Decided in favour of
 Geo. Bird Jr
 John Allen

State of N. Carolina Feb. Term 1888
 Bertie County The last will and testament
 of Leedickiah Thomas deceased was proved in open Court
 the oath of John M. Moore one of the subscribing witnesses
 was and is deemed to be correct —

George Clark

In the name of good Amen I thank thee, O
 Father, for the gift of North Carolina being our
 first new acquisition but of better mind than
 money. Thanks be to God, nothing is to mind. He more
 able to be seen. I know that it is attended for
 all things and to die at this, the birth day of January
 in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred
 thirty four. That is a day in the year last will &
 testament in many following. That is to say, since
 birth & death of all. I know that my heart into the hand
 of the Father ~~and~~ that gave it & me born to the
 world is in the service of the direction of my
 capital brought. I am a nation's doctors but at the
 same revolution. That I know the same again to
 be a nation, born of God. And as doctors such

would be Estate where with it hath pleased God to bless me
with in this life I have more enjoyment of the same
in the following manner. —

Then, Give I beguile to me with his love, Brethren's
 love, Give to me all the money due from him. The
 wife John told me to me in a new given to the
 all the John told me to me in a new given to the
 testimony of John told me to me in a new given to the
 Then, Give to me the wife John told me to me
 for money, Give to me the wife John told me to me —

Don't let him the rise from that few days
of his new year. —

[illegible]

And I give to the said Simina Killee three head
of horses four head of Cattle & all my household
furniture to his children for ever —————

I have given to my wife before a brother Dimmock to see
 me about getting to him she has for ever

Am. Give to me well beloved Brother John Hutton
in Pasquid Pledge me Love Della Schenck's Mother.
In love —————

Am. Govt to me will be pleased to hear that they intend
to give \$1000 to him - his name is now -

7 My will & desire is that after all my Just debts
I paid that all the money due from Samuel Maw
Richard Henry by note to be paid to Emma Thorne
at the same time Give to her & her heirs forever —

Whereas I have and about me true friends
John Mitchell & John Henry my wife & all Education
to the my test will I bequeath & do hereby utterly
revoke & annul all & every other former will
I have made & bequeath & bequeath by me in witness
before names, will, & bequeath & bequeath & bequeath
and to the to be my last will & Testament in test
my hand I have this will & bequeath & bequeath
that this be my last will & bequeath & bequeath

Wm. Maw
John Mitchell & John Henry
witness

State of North Carolina Try John Maw
Be the County The last will & Testament
of John Maw was proved in open Court
by the oath of John Maw & the subscribing
witnesses & was to be recorded George G. G. G.

In the Name of God Amen. I Lamb Thorne of the State
of North Carolina County of Burke Schoolmaster being
weak in body but of full mind and memory do Testament
and I am this my last will and Testament I bequeath
my Just to Almighty God bequeath & his most gracious in-
crease of it his the mind of my Examiners. Emma Thorne and
my body to the earth to be buried in a Decent Christian
Burial at the direction of my Executors hereinafter named And
as to such worldly estate as I shall please God to bestow me
with I dispose of in the following manner, &c. —

First I will and desire that my wife Thorne should have the use
of all my Estate to help her to raise my children & my wife
children, but if she marries, then to have an equal & proportion
of my Estate with each of Children except my Land, but
I have no right to any part of my Land after her marriage.

I will and desire that my son John Thomas & William P.
be bound to serve God, honor of fathers to learn some good
& sufficient trade as soon as they come to the age of ten or
twelve years and desire that my loving wife should keep and
bring up my little daughter Elizabeth, but if my wife dies
before she is raised, then I desire that she should also be bound
to some Good person —

I Give & bequeath to each & every one of my Children an e-
qual & proportionable part of my Estate both real & personal

9. Regarding to Value. - And whereas my Mother's Negro Man, Tack has bought a Jan-Kibo on my Land, I give him liberty to leave it & take it off, provided that he give to my Heirs some fourth part of the landing price of all expenses -

Am, and tattle, I should have said my Brother
William P. Howard & my Father Benjamin Hardy, Executors
and my dear Sister Winifred Hardy, Deviser of this my
last will & Testament. Entitling these no other to be my last
will & Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my
hand & seal this 2^d day of Feb^y Anno Domini 1899.

~~Spoke with William & Florence~~ Lamb Hardy 
in presence of

John Williams

Elizabeth & her eight sonⁿ
mark

Charles Williams
msh

State of North Carolina Feb 25 1906
Rocky Mount

The last will & Testament
of Sarah Ann was presented in court by the
Estate of John Williams one of the subscribers wit-
nessed & read to be executed

George Gray M

In the name of God, amen. I thank the Lords of the State in North Carolina and County of Beaufort being so early in body but of better mind as always, as constituted and as in testimony of our will and pleasure, first of all, to commend my heart to Almighty God beseeching his most gracious acceptance of it. Whose love Christ has redeemed us by his blood to the extent to have us in ancient Christian times the Reformation being that his love is true and — in a strong and steady faith. I propose in the following manner —

That I give and bequeath to my son Frederick Williams one
Dove Margarette Lamb—

I have said & written to my Mr. Benajah much as
 in the enclosed paper.

belly. I have a beautiful young daughter Fanny Nicholas
and her father named Stephen and she never looks and
belly, and also one named me, I don't know, me, I don't know.
The 28 half a dozen more, I don't know, one round black-
without sex, little, and one old and fat, and one

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I give to Miss Nichols that married daughter
Elizabeth Williams five shillings in full for his share in
daughter Elizabeth's part and portion of my Estate &
I give all the rest of my estate to be equally divided
between my son Joseph & my daughter Emily.

In the name of God amen Henry Blair Minister of
the County of Prince and State of North Carolina sheweth
that he has now deposited for all men in I do make this
my last will and testament. First of all I commend
my soul into gods who gods I am very desirous to be served
but the salvation of my Father's household I commend

And the wife is the same house as before that is under-
stand is the same bell house as before. To be
one just like—

1. John - One of our most noble sons. He has one brother
 and one sister. His natural title is a title of nobility.
 2. John - One of our most noble sons. He has one brother
 and one sister. His natural title is a title of nobility.
 3. John - One of our most noble sons. He has one brother
 and one sister. His natural title is a title of nobility.
 4. John - One of our most noble sons. He has one brother
 and one sister. His natural title is a title of nobility.
 5. John - One of our most noble sons. He has one brother
 and one sister. His natural title is a title of nobility.
 6. John - One of our most noble sons. He has one brother
 and one sister. His natural title is a title of nobility.
 7. John - One of our most noble sons. He has one brother
 and one sister. His natural title is a title of nobility.
 8. John - One of our most noble sons. He has one brother
 and one sister. His natural title is a title of nobility.
 9. John - One of our most noble sons. He has one brother
 and one sister. His natural title is a title of nobility.
 10. John - One of our most noble sons. He has one brother
 and one sister. His natural title is a title of nobility.

The above named begetter Alexander McIlhenny one son
and one daughter John Christopher McIlhenny born
the 15th of March 1840 wife Martha McIlhenny and
the same as above that was here or would have been
by the death of any of her sisters before she
was married or since also the balance of my estate
to my two sons as heirs. I constitute the above
John Christopher McIlhenny and John McIlhenny
my sole and exclusive heirs my last will and testa-
ment and I hereby utterly revoke and disavow

In several statements by me made calling upon a witness
 being in this case no other to be my last will and testa-
 ment in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand
 and the seal of my hand and in the face of our
 Lord 1844 —
 Fort
 H. Clay Hilburn Esq
 J. M. P. Parker
 J. M. P. Parker

State of New Carolina May 31st 1890
Rich County (The trial will) Estom
Hence the Nathan and wife and children
by the act of Rich Rich's one of the men
compared to be and George Grey

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 Capt. H. W. Chandler, May 20th 1894
 Dear Sir: The last will & testament of
 Robert Smith, deceased, was here referred to the
 Probate Court, and the following simple and
 direct will was presented
 George Grayson

In the name of God Amen I Richard Williams of the County
of Middlesex do hereby certify calling to mind the un-
certainties of this life so make it right thus my promise to
witness before me in the following manner to wit
I have made my will to have in full force & effect at my death to be seen by
intending all the executors of my said last will to be named in
the said will. Given & signed in the following manner
after my first death was pronounced

Please into my well beloved wife Sarah during her
 absence all my property of every kind & the same
 charge, as death. I give & require all my said, hoping
 to be quickly restored to view my beloved wife Sarah
 my children George & John. James Williams each
 has an equal share to them the said & give per cent
 to the highest bidder in money & two cows & calves &
 further share of furniture. I should be happy to see them
 now. The books I do not care for one I give to
 my son & daughter one to be, to be put to use. I give
 John & Sarah & James & John, I do not give my
 books & paper & other my best & better than I
 can think of that my son & daughter have to be
 given & the said Sarah & John who are old enough.
 I give to my son & daughter my well beloved wife
 Sarah Williams & James & John & James & John
 but will be to them as I have shown before & I
 my son & daughter the 20th of the year. I give
 to my son & daughter the 20th of the year. I give
 to my son & daughter the 20th of the year. I give

and all my money now be mine (from the notes and accounts).
Except the same former balance book of every kind all which
I give to her and her heirs forever.

Sam. Appe and bequeath to my sons and David Gannard and
 Sarah Gannard my negro man and slave to be equally divided
 between them and that to be their full share of my Estate
 with what they have already received. I give to them and
 their heirs forever.

[illegible]

and I also have the land and my year to say for I am
 capable to be advanced up to him. And I am a little further
 from to the age of Eighteen years say to him and his heirs
 forever.

I have your kind & generous letter for I have read these
 minutes, part of lands and plantations and will be
 glad to see the name of the living owners and the time to be
 run for James Garretts cotton & wool plantations and
 the land line to me with all which I give to him as a his
 kind favour and I hope he will be content with it and
 get the best of his day then I give the land given to him to me
 for James Garretts. I give to him and his heirs forever, his boy
 and his wife married for boy named him and that to be
 his land as it is by law now dollars in his part of my
 Estate which he is to have for before he receives my money
 to him and his heirs forever —

There I was, and acquainted to my daughter. Call not for me now
and I will answer these who shall be to be her, but I have of me
I shall ~~with~~ the half already received. Give to her and her
legs know —

Mr. Jones was desirous to my dear Mrs. Smith and John
Capote to remove beyond of them and to be with all
the people that may arise here. There have to be equally
division between them at the time Timothy shall move to the
age of twenty one year and if either Timothy or ~~John~~
should die without him having been of the age of twenty
years the two negroes Adam and Cass to the one who
may be living with all the people that shall arise among

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again there which I give to the said Timothy and
John this his power -

Ans. I give and bequeath to my daughter Phillis marriage
and her name is ~~Phillis~~ and that to be her full share of my
estate with what she hath already received I give to her and
her heirs forever -

Ans. I give to my son my brother Thomas Garret and his heirs
and his name is ~~Thomas~~ which he hath already received I give to
him and his heirs forever -

Ans. I give and bequeath to my son Thomas Garret and his heirs
and his name is ~~Thomas~~ which he hath already received I give to
him and his heirs forever -

Ans. I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary Garret and
her name is ~~Mary~~ which she hath already received I give to
her and her heirs forever -

Ans. I give to my daughter Elizabeth and her heirs and
her name is ~~Elizabeth~~ which she hath already received I give to
her and her heirs forever -

Ans. All the residue of my estate not before
given is to be equally divided between my
sons which are to wit John Garret Thomas Garret and
Philip Garret and their heirs and I give to them
Elizabeth Garret in marriage to be her full share of my
estate with what she hath already received I give to
her and her heirs forever -

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together again and so to be equally divided till the last
one shall come to the age of three years or any longer
all that part of my estate that is my wife to be equally
divided between my son William and his heirs and
his name is ~~William~~ which he hath already received I give to
him and his heirs forever -

Ans. I hereby appoint and declare my last will
and I hereby declare my whole and sole intention that my last
will and testament in which I have made full provision
with authority to be as he shall think most advantageous for the
benefit of the children in his will and the property hereby
disposed of and according to all former wills and testaments
heretofore made bequeathed or assigned hereby ratified and
confirming this and no other to be my last will and testament
and I hereby declare and be declared by the said
John Garret the to be his last will and testament
in the presence of us who were present at the time of making
and signing thereof

John Garret
Timothy
Christopher
Mark
William Garret

to have the East part of Anne to have the other part
By. I give to my well beloved Daughter Sarah Allen
of the age of years beginning at her years line and com-
ing a West course through a Duck pond a Sandy garden
a Crop of hay past the thence running North East corner
the it comes opposite a large Pond where Samuel
Williams land runs through a Thence running East
course to Samuel Williams line with of the hundred
acres that Jonathan Williams John Brimford Negro
Girls named Linda two cows & calves 1 black & white
two one young mare 1 foal & 1 saddle to have &
the high office body forever —

To Give to my well beloved Daughter Mary Allen
of the age of years beginning at her years line and com-
ing a West course through a Duck pond a Sandy garden
a Crop of hay past the thence running North East corner
the it comes opposite a large Pond where Samuel
Williams land runs through a Thence running East
course to Samuel Williams line with of the hundred
acres that Jonathan Williams John Brimford Negro
Girls named Linda two cows & calves 1 black & white
two one young mare 1 foal & 1 saddle to have &
the high office body forever —

To Give to my well beloved Daughter Martha Allen
of the age of years beginning at her years line and com-
ing a West course through a Duck pond a Sandy garden
a Crop of hay past the thence running North East corner
the it comes opposite a large Pond where Samuel
Williams land runs through a Thence running East
course to Samuel Williams line with of the hundred
acres that Jonathan Williams John Brimford Negro
Girls named Linda two cows & calves 1 black & white
two one young mare 1 foal & 1 saddle to have &
the high office body forever —

To Give to my well beloved Daughter Elizabeth Allen
of the age of years beginning at her years line and com-
ing a West course through a Duck pond a Sandy garden
a Crop of hay past the thence running North East corner
the it comes opposite a large Pond where Samuel
Williams land runs through a Thence running East
course to Samuel Williams line with of the hundred
acres that Jonathan Williams John Brimford Negro
Girls named Linda two cows & calves 1 black & white
two one young mare 1 foal & 1 saddle to have &
the high office body forever —
My desire is that my son John Peter Allen &

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Anne Kate Allen at the age of nearly one year
she should have 1 feather bed 2 cows & calves 1 horse
saddle & paces —

My desire is that after the death of my wife that
my two daughters Martha Allen & Elizabeth Allen
shall have first choice of Negroes & that all the
rest of my Negroes stock of all kinds to be equally
divided between all my children —

I do hereby declare & appoint, In presence of Samuel
Baker Allen Executors to this my last will and
Testament, — that I do hereby declare & appoint
all and every other former Testament wills Legacies &
Bequests & donations Relinquish & confirm this as
in & to be my last will and Testament, In wit-
ness whereof I have hereunto set my hand at that
twenty fourth day of September one thousand seven hundred
and Eighty Eight —

John Allen
Signed, sealed, published and
performed and attested by
the s^d John Allen to be his last
will Testament in the presence
of us who in his presence have
hereunto subscribed our names
William Rogers
John Rogers

State of No Carolina Aug⁹ 1799
John Rogers
The last will & Testament
of John Allen dec^d was, pronounced and
the oath of William Rogers one of the Justices

My wife & I desire to be remembered
George Gray

In the Name of God. Amen

I Sarah Symon of Butler County and State of North
Carolina being my weak and feeble body this of feeble
mind & memory thanks be given to Almighty God for
his Name and calling to witness the uncertainty of
all domestic and worldly things to be my last will and
testament. And forasmuch as I am fully of age and
sound mind and memory and my soul to God and good will
my body to be buried in a decent Christian like man-
ner at the discretion of my survivors, nothing doubting
but at the general resurrection. I shall receive the same
in better shape. And as touching what worldly
Goods it hath pleased Almighty God to bless me
with. Give and dispose of in manner and form
following

First I give unto my loving sister Elizabeth Pop my
my Negro Girl but as for my son Margaret West
being at eighteen years of age or her marriage and
then I give and bequeath the above said Negro Girl
to my son Margaret West to her & her heirs for ever
and if the said Negro Girl should have a child or
children before that the above said Margaret West should
arrive at the above said age for them to be hers and her
heirs forever. And it is my will and that after my
last debts are paid that the sum of five hundred

Dollars to be equally divided between my son Mary
West and my son Elizabeth West and if in case my
Negro Girl should die having no children before
my son Margaret West should arrive at the age
before mentioned for the whole of my Estate to be
Equally divided between my son Mary West, my
son Margaret West and my son Elizabeth West
It is my will and desire that my sister Elizabeth
Pop should have all my worldly estate to dis-
pose of among her children at her discretion.
And I do hereby constitute and ordain my Brother in
law James Pop an Executor to this my last will
and testament. Signed sealed & delivered to be her last
will & testament in the presence of us this twentieth
day of October one thousand seven hundred & thirty five
Test Sarah Milso
Sarah West
Sarah Symon
mark

State of N. Carolina Aug. Term 1798
Butler County The last will & Testament
of Sarah Symon as was proved in open Court
by the Oath of Sarah West & Sarah Milso
witnesses & ordered to be recorded
George Gray

In the name of God Amen. I George Davis of Butler
County and State of North Carolina being weak in
body but of sound perfect mind and memory Thanks
be to almighty God for the same I do calling to mind
the mortality of our nature and that it is appointed
for man once to die do make and execute my
last will and testament in manner and form follow-
ing that is to say First I leave unto my well beloved wife
Elizabeth Davis all my Estate both real and personal
during her natural life after her decease my house and
dwelling is that my youngest son Miles Davis should
have all my lands and plantations which I now
live to him his heirs and assigns forever also I
give unto my said son Miles Davis one town and
lot - My will and desire is that after my wife's
decease all my Estate not before said to be equally
divided among my children - Also I nominate and
appoint Thomas Callan Executor of this my last
will and testament In witness whereof I have
hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal
this 4th day of March 1899

Signed by the testator

George Davis

In presence of us

Elizabeth Davis
Mary Cobb

State of North Carolina Aug. 2nd June 1899
Butler County The last will & testament
of George Davis deceased was proved in open court by the
 oath of Henry Cobb one of the subscribing witnesses
and was to be recorded George Gray W

In the Name of God Amen

I Mary Callan being of perfect and disposing
mind and memory and tho at present time by the
goodness of almighty God, blessed with a tolerable
share of health, yet calling to mind the frailty of
human nature & the unavoidable necessity whereby
it is determined for us allance to die, with no more
extended period of life & the consequent and necessary
approach of my end & dissolution, do make constitute
and approve this my last will & testament hereby
appointing attorney and former will by me made -
In the first place I resign my soul to the goodness
of God the author of its Existence & my body to the
earth to be buried in a decent & Christianlike man-
ner - Also if there should be any just claims or
claims on me, it is my sincere desire they should be
honestly paid out of the small portion of this world's
goods I may be possessed of -

In the next place, it is my will & desire that I hereby
give bequeath to Elizabeth Thomas one feather
bed & Furniture, one bay and calf, one bay and

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graveling, with their increase, one linen wheel, one
Axe, one loom, one chest, one pewter dish and a Broom,
& two pewter plates.
Finally I give and bequeath to John Thomson the son of one Sea
& Furniture of my Ware during his life & at his de-
cease I give & bequeath the said Sea & Furniture to
James Thomson of his heirs & the said man to Charles
Thomson and his heirs -
Fourthly, I give and bequeath to John Thomson, son
of William, one two year old Heifer with her increase,
and all the rest of my stock of Cattle to William
Thomson & his heirs.
Fifthly, I give and bequeath unto the above mentioned
Charles all the remainder of my Cattle & Cattle,
of what sort kind or nature soever they may be.
Lastly I constitute and appoint William Thomson
my Executor of this my last will & testament,
In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand
& seal this 11th month day of August in the year
of our Lord one thousand seven hundred & ninety
one.
Signed sealed and delivered Mary ^{his} Callum ^{Esq}
in presence of us - Mark
David Stone
C. Johnston

State of Maryland Aug. Term 1799
Baltimore County The last will & testament
of Mary Callum was proved in open Court
before the Court of David Thompson of the sub-
scribing witnesses & annexed to be un-
der the hand of George Gayles

In the name of God amen I John Inthorpe of Prince
George's county in y^e Province of North Carolina being weak
body but sound beget having my perfect senses and re-
mory is ever knowing there is appointed time once for all
when to die and being to mind the uncertainty of life
and the mortality of my body do make and ordain this
my last will and testament therefore briefly and plain-
ly of all I recommend my soul into the hands of Almighty
God who gave it and my body I commit to the earth to
buried in a Christian like manner at the discretion of my
Executors hereafter named nothing doubting but at the ge-
neral resurrection I shall receive the same again with the
mighty power of God and as touching my worldly Estate
wherein it is please God to bless me in this life after my just
debts being paid and discharged I give and bequeath
in the following manner -

First I give and bequeath unto my son William Inthorpe two
hundred acres of land be the same more or less lying on
the North side of Pamlico river beginning at Topom Hill Creek
running down the river to a corner point then along a line
marked trees to the swamp at Charltons Creek thence
thence down along that line to Topom Hill Creek then to the
first Station to him and the heirs of his body lawfully
begotten for ever and for the use of such heirs I give
and bequeath the said land to my daughter Martha
Inthorpe and the heirs of her body lawfully begotten for
ever -
Then I give and bequeath to my daughter Martha Inthorpe

I wish a certain parcel of land of twenty five acres by estimation be the same more or less beginning at a corner gum in Charltons creek thence to a small dead oak then along the line to a rather small oak a corner tree then along the same line to another small oak a corner tree then along the line to another small oak a corner between Branch and me then down that line William Smiths corner tree an oak so down the swamp to the first station to her and the heirs of her body lawfully begotten forever and for want of such heirs Give the said land to my son William Smithwick to him and the heirs of his body lawfully begotten forever

Item I give and bequeath unto my son Luke Smithwick two hundred and sixty five acres of land by estimation be the same more or less to him and the heirs of his body lawfully begotten forever for want of such heirs Give the said land to my son Luke Smithwick to him and the heirs of his body lawfully begotten forever beginning at a small oak a corner tree upon the north side of the great swamp then along a line of marked trees to the end of a pond then along that pond to a pond to a gum distance line from thence near the same corner to Charltons creek to a corner tree from thence down the creek to a small branch then up that branch to a small oak then along that line to the upper end of the meadow to a corner tree a house then down the south side of the meadow to a small oak a corner tree from thence across the bridge to the head of a branch to a corner tree on earth then down the said branch to Charltons creek then down the creek to the mouth

of the above said great swamp then up the swamp to the first station—

Item I give and bequeath unto my son Luke Smithwick my main plantation to him and the heirs of his body lawfully begotten forever and for want of such heirs Give the said plantation and land following to my son Luke Smithwick and the heirs of his body lawfully begotten forever which said land by estimation contains about two hundred and sixty five acres be the same more or less beginning at a corner tree upon the north side corner tree a line running down the mouth of a branch which divides Mr. Dandies line & mine so along that branch including the ridge that goes down to the islands then up the swamp to a small oak corner divides Luke & Luke Smithwick then along that line out to Charltons creek then up the creek to Luke Smithwicks corner again then down that line to the first station—

Item I give and bequeath unto my grandson Luke Smithwick to him and the heirs of his body lawfully begotten forever twenty acres of land by estimation be the same more or less and for the want of such heirs Give the same parcel of land to the next surviving heir of his mother lawfully begotten of her body and for want of such issue Give the said land to my son Luke and to the heirs of his body lawfully begotten forever beginning at the side of the meadow at a corner small oak then down the meadow and along the pond to a small corner tree then from that gum along the stream of the meadow to a small oak in the branch so then down

the branch to Chatterons creek then down the creek
to a branch through the branch to another creek and
thence thence to the first station —

Item I give unto my daughter Sarah one shilling sterling
Item I give unto my daughter Mary one
shilling sterling: Item I give unto my daughter
Elizabeth one shilling sterling —

Item I give unto my daughter Sarah Smithwick
all my personal estate to be at her disposal during the
term of her life and after her death the same
to be divided equally between Martha
Smithwick Sarah Smithwick and John Smithwick

I constitute and appoint my son John Smithwick Edward
Edmondson Smithwick Isaac Gardner & John Ward my
sole and exclusive to this my last will and testament
and do hereby revoke and annul all former
wills testaments by me heretofore made calling in
and confirming this and no other to be my last will
and testament in witness whereof I have unto at my
hand and seal this 8 day of June and in the year
of our Lord God 1768

John
his

John ^{his} Smithwick

Robert & George
ma

Clennah Duggan

State of North Carolina Nov 2nd 1768

Order County The last will & Testament of
John Smithwick did was read in open Court for
the oath of Clennah Duggan one of the subscribing
witnesses and ordered to be recorded —

George Gray

In the name of God amen: I John Smithwick of
Order County & State of North Carolina do hereby
give very rich & wake of body but of sound mind
and perfect memory blessed be God calling unto me as
the proximity of my end & having that it is ordained
for all persons called to do so make & ordain this my
last will & testament in manner following that is to
say I hereby & give of all I give & recommend my soul
into the hands of all mighty God that and my body recom-
mend to the earth to be buried in decent Christian bur-
ial at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named
nothing doubting but that the general resurrection shall
revive it again by the mighty power of God and I
give such worldly estate whereunto it hath pleased
Allmighty God to give me with in this life I give
devise & dispose of in the following manner and I
first I give & bequeath to my well beloved sister
Elizabeth one negro boy called Thomas & one negro girl
called Hannah to her her heirs forever that being
her part of my property which I intend for her

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I do have and bequeath to my well beloved sister
Clary Oble me share to her and Ann's portion —
I do have and bequeath to my well beloved daughter
William Oble five shillings to her and Ann's portion
for ever — I do have and bequeath to my new daughter
Oble one half to her and Ann's portion —
My will & desire is that all the rest of my property
shall be equally divided between my two brothers
& three sisters I do bequeath to my brother Thomas
Oble one fifth part & my sister Catherine Oble
one fifth part & my sister Ann Oble one fifth part
my sister Eliza Oble one fifth part than than
this & is my will —

Witness my hand & seal this my last will & testament
I do bequeath to my brother Thomas Oble my Executors to
this my last will & testament with my hand & seal this
day of November one thousand eight hundred and nine
at Ann Davis
Amelia Oble

State of N. Carolina Nov. 10, 1899
Beaver County The last will & Testament of
Amelia Oble was proved in open Court by
the oath of said Oble one of the subscribing
witnesses and ordered to be recorded
George G. G. G.

In the name of God Amen I Elizabeth Pender of the County
of Beaver in the State of North Carolina being
very sick but in perfect mind and memory Thanks
be given unto God calling unto mine Heavely
Father and knowing it is appointed for all men once to die
do make and declare this my last will and testament
that is to say principally and first of all I give and
bequeath my soul into the hands of almighty God
that gave it and my body I commend it to the earth
to be buried in decent Christian burial I leave to my
well beloved son Eliza Pender one negro girl named
during his life and to his heirs and assigns forever
his heirs and assigns to return to my well beloved son Eliza
Pender I also give to my beloved son Eliza Pender one bed
and furniture and one cow and one calf and one sow and
one pig I also leave to my beloved daughter Mary Pender
one negro girl named her life time and to her heirs and
assigns forever If living with an lawful heir to return
to my well beloved daughter Pender I also give to
my beloved daughter Mary Pender one bed and fur-
niture and one cow and one calf and one pig and one
hog I also leave to my well beloved son Stephen Pender
one negro boy named during his life and to
give him to his heirs if living without an lawful
heir to return to my well beloved son Solomon Pender
I also give to my beloved son Solomon Pender one
negro woman named during his life time and his heirs may be

laste for Harmon Pinder is to keep the negro boy
Mamut that I till he is seven years old. I also give
my beloved son Harmon Pinder one box and a furniture
also give to my beloved son William Pinder one
cow and calf one box and a furniture and one cow
and two hogs and twenty five barrels of corn and
one dozen earthen plates and three dishes I also give
my dear and well beloved daughter Penderbury
one yoke of oxen I also give my beloved son John
Pinder and son my will and devise is that the
remainder of my property to be sold and bills of
my debts and the cost of the money to be equally
divided among my dear and well beloved children
I also desire and acknowledge this to be my last will
and testament of which I now appoint my beloved
son John Pinder and my beloved son Harmon Pinder
and my beloved son Nicholas Pinder Executors of this
my last will and testament in witness whereof
I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the fifth
day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand
seven hundred and ninety seven

Given in the presence
of us

Witness her
Pinder Seal
mark

Niles Blanchard
Benjamin Orr
Harris & Hodge
Jm

State of N. Carolina Nov. 27 1797 —
Wilder County The last will and testament of
Pender Pinder and was read in open court by
the oaths of Benjamin Bryan and Mary Haver two
of the subscribing witnesses and a decree to be
granted — George Gray Clk

In the name of God Amen I Charles Hays son of Peter
barns bringing word in body but of perfect mind and
memory thanks given to God, calling unto mind the
mortality of my body and knowing it is appointed for
all men once to die do make and declare this my last
will and testament that is to say principally and first
I call God and commend my soul into the hands
of Almighty God that gave it & my body I commend to
his will to be buried in decent Christian burial, as
the discretion of my Executors, in as touching such
worldly estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me
in this life, I give and devise & dispose of the same in the
following manner and form, — First I give and bequeath
unto Mary Hays my beloved wife one third of
my household goods and furniture, one third of my
cattle, one horse bridle and saddle, and I also give the
other two thirds of my household goods and furniture and
cattle and also my land and plantation to my beloved
wife during her life, and after her decease I give and

42) bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth Sparkman, if
she should be a widow before or at my wife's decease or
within one month after her decease, twenty pounds to
be raised and paid out of my Estate but if my daugh-
ter Elizabeth Sparkman should remain a married
woman at my wife's decease or within one month af-
ter, forty pounds bequeath to her five shillings
sterling or the value thereof to her forever. Also give
& bequeath to my daughter Mary Harrison and at my
wife's decease my land and plantations and save
only a few things. Give unto her all my household
goods & furniture one horse, bridle, saddle and all the
cutlery, but one. Also give ~~and~~ bequeath to my daugh-
ter in law Nanny Harris 1 bed & furniture, 1 bidstead
one black walnut table one large painted chest one
hand one pair of hand hoes one large pot one
cow and calf, my will and desire is, if my daughter
Mary Harrison should die before Nanny Harris, then
without an caveat her that her whole estate should
be given to Nanny Harris, and if Nanny Harris should
die, without an caveat her before her sister Polly
Harrison that what is then given her shall belong to
my daughter Polly, and if both should die before
their Mother and without caveat her, begetters of
their body after my wife's decease. And be-
queath one half of my Estate to John Latham and
the other half to Charles Harrison standing —
I desire Constable and seven my beloved wife
the sole Executors of this my last will and testam-

ment and I do hereby utterly disavow, revoke, annul and
repeal all and every other former Testaments, wills, bequests,
bequest & Executors, by one or any were before named
willed & bequeathed testifying and confirming this
and no other to be my last will and Testament. In
witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal
this 12th day of June one thousand seven hundred &
thirty first

Signed Seal & Published Provisions and declared by
the said Charles Harrison as his last will and Testament
in the presence of us who in his presence & in the presence
of each other have hereunto subscribed our names —

Test
Nathan Lawrence
Richard Gills

Charles Harrison Seal

State of N. Carolina, Tryon County, Feb. 2nd 1792
Before me the said will & Testaments
of Charles Harrison, as was proved in open Court
by the oath of Nathan Lawrence one of the sub-
scribed Justices and witnesses to be recorded
George Gray Clk

In the name of God amen, this last 11th day of Decem-
ber one thousand seven hundred & thirty seven, I, Joseph
North of Tryon County and State of North Carolina
being very sick and weak in body but of perfect
mind and memory thanks be given to God, therefore

44 calling unto mind the mortality of my body and
knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die
do make and order this my last will and testament
that is to say finally and first of all I give and
recommend my soul unto the hands of God that
give it and body recommend to the earth to be
buried in a decent Christian burial at the discretion
of my Executors nothing doubting but at the gene-
ral resurrection I shall receive the same again by
the mighty power of God and as touching such
worldly things which it hath pleased God to bless
me with this I do give and demise and dispose
of the same in the following manner and form
In witness I give and bequeath to my loving son
Richard North one hundred acres the ~~piece~~ of land
laine next to James Legges line taking the manner
of plantation likewise give to my son Richard ~~the~~
two negroes one by the name of David and the other
by the name of Hannah also I give him one mare
by the name of Belle. Likewise I desire to have a good
frame house built on my lone plantation with two
hundred dollars in cash that I have for that pur-
pose and it that should not be sufficient that
the remainder part of the said must be raised
out of my estate and my desire is that my daugh-
ter Ann North should live in the said house with
her brother without interuptions till her marriage
after marriage no more part in the said house
Likewise give to my son Richard North two feather
beds and a whole furniture belongs to the said beds

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also one cow table and two stocks of bees —
Item Give to my loving daughter Ann North one
table give my daughter ten feather beds and a whole
furniture thereto belonging I also give her one mare
by the name of pinckette two cows and pigs and
three cows. Give to my daughter Ann North one
bridle now I leave to my daughter Ann North one hun-
dred acres of land joining my sons laine during her life
and after her death I give it to her heirs and I also
leave to my daughter Ann North two negroes by the
names of Jane and Grace to her her life and after her
death to her lawful heirs I give her two stocks of
bees also
Item Give to my son Richard North four heads of cat-
tle besides one yoke of oxen and one horse I have to be
made beef for the use of the family I also give my son
two cows and pigs Likewise give him fifteen barrels
of good corn & six hundred weight of pork for use
Item Give my daughter Ann North fifteen barrels of
good corn and six hundred weight of pork to her use
Item It is my will and desire that I desire to have
both David my negro last man during her lifetime
and after her death to be equally divided between my
son Richard and daughter Ann
Item after my store debts bring paid out of my peas
and corn ^{and} my just debts bring paid it is my de-
sire that all my corn pork and peas and stock of
hogs horses &c. be sold and equally divided between

46/ my son Richard and Daughters Ann all but me
holes excepted which I give to Elizabeth Passage and
now having come to conclusion I appoint John Dutton
Sr. and my son Richard North my whole and sole
Executors of this my last will and Testament and I do
hereby disannul all and every other will or Testaments
by me made ratifying and confirming this and no
other to be my last will and Testament In witness
whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal
the day and year above written

James North published and Joseph ^{his} North ^{mark} Seal
Testated by the said Joseph
North as his last will and
Testament on the premises
above the subscribers —

Test Jeremiah Leggett

The last of me now laid to Mrs Carson is
disannulled and struck out before the witnesses

State of N Carolina Feb 7th Term 1798

Wilkes County The last will and Tes-
tament of Joseph North as was proved in open
Court by the oath of Jeremiah Leggett the sub-
scribing witnesses and ordered to be recorded

George Gray III

In the name of God amen Here I leave and bequeath
to my Daughter Clarissa one Junk one pot and a hook
Helm. I leave and bequeath my Daughter Luise one rid-
ing saddle and one Dining Table Here I leave and be-
queath my son Thomas half dozen silver spoons and
five dogs Here I leave and bequeath to my son William
one suit of clothes to be paid for out of the crop born
now in the barn Here I leave and bequeath to my
Grand Daughter Frances one feather Bed
I do hereby constitute and appoint John Hittell
to be Executor to this my last will and Testamen-
ment renouncing all other wills In witness where-
of I have caused my name and seal to be hereunto
affixed this 21st day of Jan'y 1798 —

Signed in presence of Catherine White Seal

James Stuart

Wm Proctor

State of N Carolina Feb 7th Term 1798

Wilkes County The last will &
Testament of Catherine White as was pro-
ved in open Court by the oath of James
Stuart and William Proctor the two sub-
scribing witnesses and ordered to be recorded

George Gray III

In the name of God Amen

The eight day of March one thousand
hundred and ninety six Jeremiah Bunch of
the County of Wilkes State of North Carolina
do hereby certify that it is my mind and will
to die to make and ordain this my last will
and testament in the following manner & form
I hereby bequeath to my son Jeremiah
Bunch one negro woman named Dorcas to him
and his heirs forever —

I hereby bequeath to my son Henry
Bunch one negro woman named Dorcas to him
and his heirs forever —
I hereby bequeath to my son Frederick
Bunch one negro woman named Dorcas to him
and his heirs forever —

I hereby bequeath to my son William
Bunch one negro boy named Henry to him and
his heirs forever —

I hereby bequeath to my son Frederick
Bunch three hundred and thirty dollars to be paid
out of my estate as hereafter directed by him
and his heirs forever —

I hereby bequeath to my son William Bunch
the land and plantation whereon I now live that
is all the land that belongs to J. Bunch
I likewise bequeath to my son William
Bunch one negro girl named Dorcas and my
Grandchild William Bunch and a deed unto him
the land which he now lives on all which I give

to him and his heirs forever
I hereby bequeath to my daughter Mary
Bunch all that she hath all ready received as her
share of the estate of her father —

The remainder of my estate I leave to be sold at the
direction of my Executor hereafter named which
money and the money that I may have I leave to be
equally divided after my son Frederick Bunch
shall the three hundred dollars will to him in
his legacy (that is to say) to be divided among
my five sons above mentioned

Lastly I do hereby declare that this is my last will and testament
and I do utterly disallow and revoke any other
will or testament at any time or in any way
made in testimony whereof I have hereunto set
my hand and seal the day and date above
written

Jeremiah Bunch
Signed William
Matthew Sanders
Whitwell Whiteaker

State of North Carolina Feb. Term 1898
Wilkes County The last will and tes-
tament of Jeremiah Bunch and was proved
in open Court by the oath of Matthew Sanders
one of the subscribing witnesses and ordered
to be recorded — George Gayle

In the name of God Amen I James Campbell
being weak of body make and ordain this my last
will and Testament in manner following. ^{First}
First I Give and bequeath unto my Sons George
& James my plantations and lands thereunto be-
longing whereon I live called mount Gould, in
equal degree. — The residue of my estate after my
debts are paid both real and personal, I Give to be
equally divided among all my children. ^{Second}
Secondly I Give, George, Mary, Martha, & James.

Lastly I nominate and appoint my Executors
and I Give Campbell & George Campbell. Also
my wife the friends who have decided to this
my above said will. In testimony whereof I
have hereunto set my hand & seal this tenth
day of December aforesaid thousand seven hundred &
thirty five

James Campbell

Wm. Brown

Wm. Campbell

Witness

James Campbell

The within said will made & signed by James Campbell
of the within said county of Carter being called
that my son James Campbell was present, & for
my said Grand father. I have seen that his name
being mentioned with that of my brother & sister
& child which have accompanied me with my

on my hand and seal. I have also to further my request
bequeath that is to say: I Give bequeath unto my son James
ten shillings and I Give bequeath unto my daughter
Martha that my kinsman John Brownrigg may be admitted
as an Executor & Guardian to my said James until he
shall of my property to be paid to my said kinsman
for the use of my said son James until he comes to the
age of twenty one then to deliver to my said son & further
I Give my Executor to have by body decently Interred a
long side of the body of my dear wife Mary in this family
burialling Ground at last hill in a plain, plain or crypt
without any mourning robe for children or relations no
flourishes liquors given nor pompous funeral orations nor
display of charnel at my Interment as I commit my soul
unto God who gave it & thro the merits of my dear Saviour
& Redeemer Jesus Christ hope for a resurrection in glory.
I Give & bequeath unto my own hand & seal this first day
of August 1798.

James Campbell

State of No Carolina July Term 1798
Carter County Any impartial and
sober say that the paper introduced is the
last will & Testament of James Campbell
decd. and ordered to be recorded

George Graylee