

I thought and could not before a friend of being equally
divided between my wife of living and my pious daughter
as a spouse but if my wife be dead before the session
take place then I will bequeath the same goods and
chattel right and due to my pious daughter named
Elizabeth, Anna and Thomas to have to them and
their heirs and assigns forever —

Wth Thomas also constitute and appoint my wife Elizabeth
Bullard and my said daughter Thomas to execute of this
my last will and testament thereby revoking and re-
annulling all other by me heretofore made writing and
infirming that and now then to be my last will and
testament to wit my wife Thomas to set my
hand and seal this 10th day of October 1802 understood
before us

Signed sealed declared John Bullard
Present of us
Nancy Truman
James Loring
Levi C. Colby

State of Massachusetts, May Term 1803
Worcester County The last will and testament of
John Bullard was produced in open court by the
oath of James Loring one of the subscribing witnesses
ordered to be recorded —

George Gray

In the name of God amen I John Bullard of the County
of Worcester being weak in body but in perfect mind and
memory and knowing there is an appointed time for
me to die I do hereby give and bequeath my soul into the hands of God
that gave it and my body to the earth from whence it
came to be buried in a decent and Christian manner
according to the direction of my Decent then after named
and as touching such worldly estate as it has been
pleased God to bless me with —

Item My will and desire is that all my just debts
be paid —

Item I lend unto my beloved wife Elizabeth Bullard
one third part of all my land during her natural life

Item I also lend unto my beloved wife Elizabeth Bullard
one third of the rest of my estate after my just debts are
paid —

Item I do hereby bequeath unto my two children
William Bullard and Elizabeth Bullard all the
rest of my estate to be equally divided between them
to them their heirs and assigns forever —

Principally and lastly I constitute and appoint my
dear & beloved wife Elizabeth Bullard my Execu-
trix and Peter Basso Smith Gyness and William
Bullard my executors to this my last will and tes-
tament revoking all other former will by me made
as witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and
seal this fourteenth day of May in the year of our
Lord one thousand eight hundred and three

Signatures and
delivery in presence of
Sam^r W. Jenkins
John Williams

State of North Carolina, May Term 1863
Bates County The last will and testament of
John Smith deceased was presented to the
court of the Clerk of the County of the subscribing
witnesses and ordered to be recorded. George Gray III

In the Name of God Amen I James Williams of the County
of Bates and State of North Carolina being weak in body but
of sound disposing mind and memory do make and declare
this my last will and testament—

I bequeath and give unto my dear and loving wife Susan
Williams my plantation and buildings thereon to belonging
whereon now residing during her natural life, also her
my said wife all my household and kitchen furniture
except two beds and bedstead to be sold by my executor
also one negro man named Jack one boy named Daniel
and one negro woman named Lincy and one small mare
named Lucinda and all my stock of cattle and hogs during
her natural life subject only to the provisions hereafter
mentioned—

Item I bequeath my said negro man and woman and child
to be born pregnant of either man or woman it is my will
and desire that child or children shall be raised and
educated by my said wife out of the income of the pro-
perty left to her as well as all the property then property
of said child or children shall be many or an-
nual to the age of maturity in my said wife's lifetime
the one son or person shall have an equal share
of all my real and personal estate as well as all my other
property but the land and buildings left to my
said wife. But in case the child or children my wife
is suggested to be pregnant with should die before
man or woman arriving to the age of maturity my
said child or Susan's child or children shall have the
property in manner as above left to her during
her natural life—

Item It is my will and desire that all my property
left to my wife or all she shall inherit from my estate
after her death shall be inherited by my child or children
or her or each of such heirs as hereafter mentioned—

Item I give and bequeath unto my niece, Mrs. Williams
my land and improvements thereon after my wife's death
also give all the residue of my estate left to my wife
her lifetime to be equally divided between my brother
two daughters Sarah and Rebecca Williams to them their
heirs and assigns forever—

Item I give and bequeath unto my brother two daughters
Sarah and Rebecca Williams one negro woman as named

Other and her children being to have the care in order
the divisions of my brother William Williams and all
either of them manfully, at which time it is my will
and desire that the same Other and her and the
increase of Other (if any) to be equally divided between
them —

Item It is unto my brother William Williams and my sister
Isabel James his wife and all their heirs that I do bequeath
bequeath to his daughter Sarah Williams to her and her
heirs and assigns forever —

Item It is my will and desire that the two black and bid-
dressed Negroes should be immediately sold and
the money arising thereon should continue in the hands
of the Executor or any one of them to be laid out in clothing
for Elizabeth Williams as the person holding it shall think
proper —

Item It is my desire that I do leave money
sufficient to discharge all my debt in that case my Ex-
ecutor should sell at auction of my moveable estate which
my wife can best share as well make up the residue —
Item Lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint my wife
Susan Williams Executor and my two friends
Cornelius Byars and John Michael Executors to this my
last will and testament in testimony whereof I have
hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal this 29th day of
December Anno Domini 1802
Signed sealed and acknowledged James Williams & Co

Attestation and Testimony
Presence of us —
George Mitchell
Henry Hester
John Wesley

State of North Carolina May Term 1803
Bertie County The last will & testament of
James Williams deceased presented in open court by the
oath of Henry Hester one of the subscribing wit-
nesses and ordered to be recorded —
George Crockett

In the name of God Amen I John Crockett of the
State of North Carolina County of Bertie do hereby
publish that my last will & testament this twentieth
day of November one thousand eight hundred
thirty in the following manner form —
I desire & empower my Executor hereafter named to sell
all the land I am possessed of or own in the State of
Virginia the quantity of land may be ascertained by
having reference to Capt Charles Stuart Thwitt my
part of my brother George Wolfensden share the Pat-
ent for the whole land is granted to my brother George
Wolfensden & also such request or either of my pro-
perty as my beloved Anne Ellen or Eliza may
choose to have sold to discharge my debt with
I send all the residue of my estate real personally

To my beloved Henry Peterson deceased, who in his natural life
gave me his beloved wife's share of his property during her nat-
ural life & at her decease to such person or persons as
may ^(sup. over) Henry Peterson by her last will lawfully autho-
rized her to bequeath it & for want of such will
to her children in equal shares & for the want of
children to the youngest: & my cousins Thomas & Jos-
eph of the Kingdom of Sweden & the County of
Västmanland of Sweden & their heirs & assigns & the
decease of my niece Penon to dispose of any or the whole
of my property & make & execute & send or send to a
purchaser for any part or all of my estate & prop-
erty & money & to the heirs of this estate & in
such cases & will cause the money & money & from
such sale, to be laid out in other land or estate &
apportioned to the heirs & estate to the use & intent
of this my present will & thereby give & her full ample
power so to do —

In witness whereof I have set my hand & seal the above
date

Witness my hand & seal the above
date

Witness my hand & seal the above
date

State of New York, as of the County of Westchester, ss.
I, the undersigned, Clerk of the County of Westchester, do hereby
certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the
last will & testament of the deceased of the County of Westchester,
George Gravelle

State of North Carolina
John Bryan of the County of Bertie, ss. State
above mentioned, being of sound mind & memory, do hereby
give & bequeath to such person or persons as may lawfully
dispose of my property & make & execute & send or send to a
purchaser for any part or all of my estate & prop-
erty & money & to the heirs of this estate & in
such cases & will cause the money & money & from
such sale, to be laid out in other land or estate &
apportioned to the heirs & estate to the use & intent
of this my present will & thereby give & her full ample
power so to do —

In witness whereof I have set my hand & seal the above
date

Witness my hand & seal the above
date

Witness my hand & seal the above
date

Bryan Executor of that my last will and testament hereby
directing and empowering my said executor to dispose
of the whole of my property real and personal but par-
ticular giving twelve months credit for all sum above
forty shillings. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set
my hand and affixed my seal the eighteenth day of
September in the year of our Lord one thousand seven
hundred and ninety three

Signed sealed & published

in presence of John Bryan
to be his last will and testament

in presence of
John Bryan
John Stone

John Bryan Esq

State of Maryland, May Term 1803

Berlin County

The last will & testament of

John Bryan deceased brought into court proved under
a commission from this court & ordered to be recorded

George Graybill

In the name of God amen I Michael Ward of
Berlin County in the State of Maryland now being well
in body but of perfect mind & sound memory calling
unto mind the mortality of my body & knowing that
it is appointed for all men once to die do make &
appoint this to be my last will & testament in

manor & form following to wit I do hereby
bequeath my soul to God my maker my
body to the earth to be buried in a Christian manor
at the discretion of my executor in that will afterwards
to be named not doubting but I shall meet the same
again by the Almighty power of God at the general
resurrection of the dead in the last day and do not touch-
ing such worldly estates I have pleased God to bless
me with I do hereby bequeath of the same in the following
manner viz my will & desire is that all my law-
ful debt be paid by my executor out of my per-
sonal or personal estate after my decease

I do bequeath to my loving son William Ward one
pair of new whetted plowshares one set of cooper
tools one crooked saw one stock of cut to turn the said
William Ward his heirs & assigns forever

I do bequeath to my well beloved wife Sarah Ward
all singular my estate of every kind & wherever it may
be found that I am before named in this will for dur-
ing her natural life but after her death my will &
desire is that the same be equally divided between
among my loving children I have named Michael
Ward an Elizabeth Ward to them and each of them
their heirs & assigns forever my will & desire is that
my wife & my other executor may feed my two sons
William & Elizabeth & Michael Ward to school & give them
Education as may be necessary for them suitable to
their station of life & occupation that they may follow
I empower them with full authority to raise money

out of my personal estate to pay for the same
I do hereby declare my will to be as follows that I do hereby
trusty friend William Rogers the undersigned
of this my last will & testament I do hereby revoke all
wills & codicils heretofore by me made or by me
by me before written named or begun these words to wit
& confirm that none other to be my last will & tes-
tament in writing which I do hereby declare to be my last
will the 16th day of Decr 1802

Signed sealed published &
declared by the said Michael
Lowe as the last will & tes-
tament in presence of the
that is not before named in the
will entered in the 16th line
of this will
Docket Morriss
Heller M. Hester

Michael Lowe

State of Massachusetts
Eastern County
The last will & testament of Mi-
chael Lowe as was proved in open court by the oath
of Docket Morriss one of the subscribing witnesses
to be recorded
George Gray

In the name of God amen I thank Thee O God of the living
of Gules and State of North Carolina being weak in
body but of sound mind and understanding and considering
the uncertainty of human life & that it is appointed
for all persons once to die do make and do declare this
my last will & testament in the first place I re-
commend my soul to God the author of all being
and desire that my body be buried in a decent
Christian manner and to such estate as I have
been blessed with I wish as of it in the like man-
ner that it is to say I give to my son the said Charles
one negro boy named ~~John~~ who goes to my son
and the remainder part of all my estate of every
kind whatsoever after the payment of my debts my
will and desire is if my said son should die without
a lawful heir from his own body for my estate to
be equally divided between my brother children
William Dewar and my sister Polly Oliver and
her heirs forever - I also nominate and appoint
Martha Glover daughter of the said my last will and
testament declaring that none other to be my
last will & testament except I have signed my
hand and seal this ~~16th~~ fifth day of May -
eighteen hundred & two - Signed sealed & acknow-
ledged in the presence of us
John Allen Test
Wingland Glover
her
Sarah Rhodes
mark

State of North Carolina, August Term 1803
 Wilkes County The last will & testament of Sarah
 Rhoads deceased was produced in open court by the oath of
 John Allen one of the subscribing witnesses and ordered
 to be recorded — George Gray etc

In the name of God Amen Sarah Deane
 of Burke County and State of North Carolina, do
 make, publish, record and a perfect memory and
 understanding constitute and ordains that my last
 will and testament in manner and form following
 be:

I give and bequeath unto my beloved husband
 Thomas Deane all the property and possessor of ex-
 cept one bed, ^{which} these of furniture consisting of two pair
 of shall one bed quilt and two white counterpane two
 bedsteads with bedding to them, my six silver bottles
 and wearing apparel which I give to my daughter
 Elizabeth Deane. It is also my wish and desire that
 when Thomas Deane may obtain a judgment against
 the estate of James Deane a one third of said judg-
 ment should be taken and paid out of my share
 of my father's estate that will fall to me at the death
 of Mr Deane and further I give and bequeath all the
 rest of my father's estate to my son Isaac Deane and my
 daughter Elizabeth Deane to be equally divided be-

tween them — I do hereby nominate constitute and ap-
 point my beloved husband Thomas Deane Executor
 of this my last will and testament —

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand at
 and affixed my seal the twentieth day of May, in
 the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred &
 three —
 Signed sealed & delivered
 in presence of
 Clement
 John Deane

Sarah Deane (S)

The word "I be" entered in the ninth line and
 the word "Father" in the nineteenth line corrected
 since before signing & entered in the above will

Codified to the foregoing will Sarah Deane do
 hereby nominate constitute and appoint my friend
 George Gray Esquire an Executor also of this my
 last will & testament. In testimony whereof I have
 hereunto set my hand at the day & date of the
 said will — Sarah Deane (S)

In presence of
 Clement
 John Deane

State of North Carolina, August Term 1803
 Burke County The last will & testament
 with the codicil made of Sarah Deane deceased was proved
 in open court by the oath of William Clement one of
 the subscribing witnesses and ordered to be recorded —
 George Gray etc

In the name of God Amen I Christ Black of the
County of Burke State of North Carolina being of sound
and perfect mind (help as he goes for the same) do this
fifteenth day of September in the year of our Lord
one thousand eight hundred and one make and pub-
lish this to be my last will and testament in the man-
ner and form following that is to say First I give
and bequeath to my son James Black all my lands
on Salmons Creek whereon I now live and likewise
one half of two tracts or parcels of land one thousand
Acres of which layings in Franklin County and four
hundred acres in the County of Burke both in the
State of Georgia (the other half of the said two tracts or
parcels of land belonging to Capt. Wm. Bonnett
and likewise one half of an Entry of land of five thou-
sand Acres layings on the Mississippi entered at Wash-
ington the 25th of May 1781 in John Armstrongs Office
by Capt. Wm. Bonnett &c of the entry 25th

I give and bequeath to my son James Black the follow-
ing negroes viz. Mollie and Bob first Joe Harry and
Little Bob and the negro woman Supper and Mollie and
Little Rice Supper and all the rest of my negroes which
I have in my possession when I die I give and bequeath
to be equally divided between Capt. George East and
my daughter Sarah Clement except the negro wo-
man Fanny and her daughter Mervin which I give
both their freedom after my death, likewise I give

and bequeath to Mervin, Fanny's daughter a negro girl
named Lucy and three barrels of corn and one hundred
dollar of pork and twelve dollar in money
yearly until she comes to the age of fourteen years
my son James Black shall comply with the above
will is the last request of your affectionate father
I leave every part of my personal property not men-
tioned before here to my son James Black and bequeath to my
son James Black after my just debts is paid out
of the same

I and lastly I constitute and appoint my worthy friend
Capt. George East and my son James Black Executors
of this my last will and testament In witness whereof
I the said Christ Black have to this my last will and
testament set my hand in that the day and year
above mentioned

Chris Black
Signed sealed published and declared
by the said Christ Black the testator
in his last will and testament in
the presence of us

Richardson R. H. Quier

State of N. Carolina, August Term 1803
Burke County The last will and testament of
Christopher Black sen. was proved in open court to
the oath of Roger A. Spurr one of the subscribing
witnesses and ordered to be recorded

I have some of my children I have been in the County
State of North Carolina being sick but of perfect mind & memory
do make this my last will & testament in manner following

I give & bequeath unto my son Peyton Hunt all
the lands which I now hold in the north river to him his
heirs & assigns forever but I do desire that my son
Peyton pay to my son William Hunt all one thousand or
dollar in law of my not paying him any of the 800 pounds
of land

I give to my son George Hunt all one negro by the
name of Harry to him his heirs & assigns

I give to my daughter Eliza Hunt one negro girl by
the name of Helen to her her heirs & assigns

I give to my daughter Lucy Hunt and one negro girl
by the name of Melah to her her heirs & assigns

I give to my son Lemuel Hunt all the following
Hazel old David the wife of John three children Miles
Michael & James also Rachel her son little Harry & all
her son this I give them in increase from the date to him
his heirs & assigns

I give & bequeath to my son Reuben Hunt all the following
my old man & woman Washington Isaac Bill & Nancy their
two children Isaac & Philip & also a negro boy named
Ned this I give them in increase from the date to him his heirs
& assigns forever

I give to my grand daughter Ruth Hunt all daughter
of John Hunt all of her one negro girl by the name
of Mary daughter of Isaac to her her heirs & assigns forever
I give & bequeath to my two sons James & Richard Hunt all

all my right title interest & claim in the accented land & land
parcel of land & now in dispute between my father & his
brother & his heirs to him their heirs & assigns forever
I do nominate & appoint my three sons Peyton James &
William Hunt all executors to this my last will & testament
in writing & whereof I have set my hand & seal this 1st day
June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred

thirty
In presence of
Eliza Hunt
Eliza Hunt
mark

Eliza Hunt

State of North Carolina, No. 103
Berlin County
The said James & William Hunt of the
County of Berlin in the State of North Carolina
do hereby certify that the said
Alexander Whitson of the said County of Berlin and
James & William Hunt are the same

State of North Carolina, Berlin County
Thomas Hunt of the said County of Berlin being
diseased in body but of perfect mind & memory do make
over this my last will & testament in
writing & whereof I have set my hand & seal this 1st day
June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred
thirty
I give & bequeath unto my brother William Hunt my
share of land containing three hundred acres be the same

In the name of God Amen this thirty first day of December
1801 I John Meade of Carter County being weak in body but of
good and perfect memory thanks be to Almighty God for
the same do make and declare this to be my last will and
testament in the manner and form following and first give
to my well beloved son Henry Meade one silver dollar -
Secondly I give to my well beloved son Corder Meade one silver
dollar -
Thirdly I give to my daughter Birtshaw Meade one silver
dollar -
Fourthly I give to my well beloved daughter Hannah Meade
one silver dollar -
Fifthly I give to my well beloved daughter Leah Meade one
silver dollar -
And sixthly I leave to my well beloved wife Cordelia Meade
the whole of my estate as land and household goods and
books with all that is belonging to me her natural lifetime
and at her decease I give to my two sons Lawrence Meade and
Levi Meade to be equally divided between them all my lands
and lastly I give to my well beloved daughter Ameliate
Meade one third part of the movables of my estate at my
decease I give to my well beloved daughter and the other two thirds of
a third of my estate to be equally divided between my well
beloved sons as namely Corder Meade and John Meade
and lastly I make and appoint my well beloved son
Corder Meade and Levi Meade full and sole execu-
tors of this my last will and testament hereby revoking
and disannulling and making void all my former wills
and bequests by me made declaring only this to be my last
will and testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my
hand and put my seal
John Meade Seal
Witnesses
John Meade, Saml. P. Haynes

State of North Carolina, Notar Public
Carter County. I my commission expires on the first
day of January next and I hereby certify that the
above named John Meade is the last will and testament of
John Meade deceased to be recorded
George H. H. H.

In the name of God Amen I Mark Stators of the County of
Carter and State of North Carolina being of sound and perfect
mind and memory thanks be to God do hereby give and
dispose of my estate as followeth to wit I give and bequeath
unto my nephew Mark Thompson his heirs and assigns forever
two hundred and of land lying adjoining his own land begin-
ning at a white oak formerly standing on the Millage pond
it being a corner tree of his old field then running up
the old line as far that the line hereafter mentioned will
contain the two hundred and of land a knight's line as
up to the Millage pond then running the meander of
said stream to the corner of said old pasture line and
Thomas Bonds corner then running the line to the
first station also given and bequeath unto that Mark
Thompson his heirs and assigns forever less hundred
and of land lying in Rockquists purchase -
then I give and bequeath unto my brother William Stators
his heirs and assigns forever the following tract of land
to wit the manner plantation where now a line runs
my lands adjoining it except the two hundred and of land
already given also given and bequeath unto my second brother

William Thornton his husband assigns forever the other following
tracts of land and plantation with two hundred acres of
land lying in the marshes three hundred acres of land lying
in the barren woods two hundred acres of land lying in the
back part of the river one hundred acres of land lying in
in the pine woods —

Ann Spivey and bequeths unto my brother William Thornton
his heirs and assigns forever the following twenty negro
to wit: Martin, Taylor, Russell, Nick, Great Cedar, Knorr, Miller,
Grace, Sarah, Cady, Jeffrey, Murren, Lott, Little Cedar, Coffey,
Noble, Pate, Rice, Kase, Knut the v and their future increase.
Ann Spivey and bequeths unto Noah Thompson his heirs and
assigns forever the following negro to wit: Bob, Lucy, Bloomer,
John, Joe, Hobbins, Charles, Silas, Sandy, Lucile, Davy, Molly,
Gilbert, Tom, Chaney, Great Tim they and their future increase.
Ann Spivey and bequeths unto my sister Mourning Lamon
her heirs and assigns forever the following negro to wit:
Ann, Little, Andrew, Fanner, Nicholas they and their future
increase —

Ann Spivey and bequeths unto my niece Clara both bonds her
heirs and assigns forever the following negro to wit: Linder
she and her future increase —

Ann Spivey and bequeths unto my nephew Mild Blanton
his heirs and assigns forever the following negro to wit: Billie
she and her future increase —

Ann Spivey and bequeths unto my nephew Urah Blanton
his heirs and assigns forever the following negro to wit:
Long Tim —

Ann Spivey and bequeths unto William Thornton son of my

nebbus William Thornton his heirs and assigns forever the fol-
lowing negro to wit: Lillie and Tibby they and their future
increase —

Ann Spivey and bequeths unto my brother William Thornton
and Noah Thompson their heirs and assigns forever all the
above said negroes of my estate and also
of house, cattle, hog, sheep, horses, household goods and
household furniture and all kind of articles whatsoever
to me belong to be equally divided share and share alike
and then by make and deliver my brother William
Thornton and Noah Thompson a bill of sale of this my last will
and testament in writing signed by the said William Thornton
have to this my last will and testament set my hand
and seal the ninth day of November in the year of our
Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy four

Signed sealed published and
Tested by the said Noah
Thornton the testator at his last
will and testament in the pre-
sence of us —

Geo. House
John Moore
Lucy Thompson
Agatha Long

It may hereby be that the above said Noah Thompson
his heirs and assigns forever a certain piece of land

of land belonging to me on the road was beginning at the
mouth of the creek running the said road to my land and
thence the said road to the corner thence the line is line
between William Williams and the river thence up the
meanders of the river to the first station containing a sixty
acres be the same more or less it being part of the land
bought of William Williams and land and will more fully
appear by a deed given the P. Mark Thompson all the
remainder of the land I have given to my brother William
Thompson in the above will. I now give to his two sons Mark
Thompson and William Thompson to them and their heirs forever
and all the other property that I have given in the
above deed to my said brother William Thompson give
to be equally divided between his three children to wit
Mark Thomsen, William Thompson and Alice both Thompson now
the wife of Lewis S. on of Butler County to them and their
heirs forever I being of sound mind and memory do hereby
to this part of my last will and Testament set my hand
and seal this eighth day of January in the year above
said one thousand seven hundred and ninety eight

Mark Thomsen
Wm Thompson
Alice Williams Thompson

Mark Thomsen (P)

Whereas some of the makers of the foregoing last Mark
Thompson one of the persons said above is deceased have died
whereby death may arise respecting the operation of the de-
ceased's bequests to him in order to prevent the same I the said
Mark Thomsen have this twenty eighth day of May in the

year 1898 made this bequest to my said son Mark
for the purchase of land by deed to be my wife and I
and that the children of the P. Mark Thompson shall have
divided the estate and properly devised the same as of old
to them the P. Mark Thompson to him his heirs and assigns
I do hereby bequest to them in the same manner that he would
or might have bequeathed the same had the P. Mark
Thompson survived me to wit of which I have hereunto
set my hand and seal the day & year above said and in
presence of —

Witness that I have
William M. Mitchell
Mark
John Moore

Mark Thomsen (P)

State of North Carolina Nov Term 1898

Butler County The last will and Testament of
Mark Thomsen deceased with the codicil annexed was proved in
open court by the oaths of Thomas Thompson and John Thom-
pson of the subscribing witnesses and ordered to be recorded

George Grayson

In the name of God Amen 16 day of May 1898 I George Gray-
son of Butler County and a State of North Carolina
being sick and weak in body but thanks be to Almighty God
in sound and perfect mind and memory therefore calling to
mind the mortality of my body and knowing it is appointed
for all men to die do make ordain and constitute that
my last will and Testament and descent may be taken

By all at death, and first of all I commend my soul to
God who gives, and my body to be buried in a decent Chris-
tian manner at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named,
and as touching my worldly estate as it hath pleased Almighty
God to bestow on me in this life, I have devised and disposed of
in the following manner first to my wife and particularly order
that all my debt be paid

I have devised and bequeathed to my beloved brother
Michael Captharban and William Captharban the remainder of
my estate to be equally divided to them and their heirs forever
I have devised and bequeathed to my brother Michael
Captharban and my brother William Captharban Executors to
be my last will and testament, and to be hereby utterly
disannulled, revoked and as to all other former wills testame-
nts, gifts and bequests made satisfying and confirming
that and none other to be my last will and testament
Signed, sealed and declared by the said George Captharban to
be his last will and testament the day and date above
written in the presence of
David Captharban
His wife
George Captharban Esq
Master

State of Maryland, Feb. Term 1804
Baltimore County The last will and testament of
George Captharban deceased was produced in open court by the oath
of David Captharban one of the subscribing witnesses and
was read to be recorded
George G. G. G.

In the name of God Amen I Mary Ann Captharban of the State of Maryland
County of Baltimore being of sound mind and perfect reason
and memory (blessed be God) do this twentieth day of January in
the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and one, make
and publish that my last will and testament in manner
following viz. that I leave to my beloved wife Mary the land
and house whereon I now live bounded as follows the beginning
at the North line of the branch running up the branch to
a small brook which runs below the field up the side
branch a short course and it comes within one hundred
yards of the city field there a straight course a crop to the
creek which line then stretches to James Smith's line
along thence to the first station also thence to my beloved
wife Mary's corner of a piece of land of about an acre
and a stock of cattle and all my sheep to her and her heirs
I have devised and bequeathed to my son William Captharban
the land and plantation whereon I now live I have devised
and bequeathed to my son David Smith's land of about
half an acre and half my household and children's furniture
with all my plantations and Carpenter tools and
bequeathed the above said land and other articles to him the
said David Smith's land his heirs and assigns forever
I have devised and bequeathed to my daughter Sarah Captharban one half of my
household and children's furniture and one half of all my cattle
and one half of all my sheep at my wife's death of her heirs
to be enjoyed and enjoyed forever
I have devised and bequeathed to my son William Captharban the sum of fifty
dollars by him freely to be enjoyed and enjoyed forever

I have made bequeath to my son Benjamin the sum of fifty
dollars by him freely to be kept and enjoyed forever
And I have bequeathed to my son Charles one half of my stock
of sheep by him to be kept and enjoyed forever all the re-
mainder of my property which is not yet given away I stand
to my beloved wife Mary considering her life and at her
death to be equally divided between my son Charles Smith
Cox and my daughter Sarah Cox by them freely to be
kept and enjoyed forever —

I likewise appoint my son Charles Smith Cox my whole and
sole executor of this my last will and testament ratifying
and confirming that to be my last will and testament and
I hereby bequeath and ^{give over} every other kind of
goods and chattels by me in any way made for
virtue of which I have hitherto at my hand the day and
year above written —

Signed sealed and declared by
the said Benjamin Cox at his
last will and testament in
presence of us —

Joseph Thomas
Joseph Coffield
Benjamin Coffield

Benjamin Cox (Seal)

State of North Carolina Feb. Term 1824

Wester County

The last will and testament of
Benjamin Cox dec^d was produced in open court by the oath
of Benjamin Coffield one of the subscribers to the petition and
ordered to be recorded —

George Gray III

In the name of God Amen. I John William Coffield
and State of North Carolina being weak in body but of
mind and disposing memory thank be to God for the same
but calling to mind the mortality of our bodies and knowing
that it is appointed for man once to die; do make a will
and give this my last will and testament; in manner as
follows to wit; that it be so say first. I recommend my soul
into the hands of Almighty God who governs and my body
to be decently buried at the discretion of my executor here
after named. And I do hereby give and bequeath to my son
Charles Coffield the sum of fifty dollars to be paid to him
at the discretion of my executor here after named. And I do
bequeath to my son Charles Coffield the sum of fifty dollars
at my land, negroes, stocks of various kinds and his
furniture, plantation utensils of all kinds that I own now or
shall acquire during his widowhood —

Secondly. I give and bequeath to my son John William
one negro man named Luke or paying one hundred
dollars before the delivery of the said negro and one half
fine shilling to him and his heirs forever —

Thirdly. I give and bequeath unto my son William Coffield
the sum of fifty dollars and bequeath to him the sum of fifty
dollars of William Moore; also one negro man named Isaac or
paying one hundred dollars to him and his heirs forever —

Fourthly. I give and bequeath to my son James Coffield the sum of
fifty dollars of John Moore and Solomon Moore; also one
negro man named Ben to him and his heirs forever —

I give and bequeath to my son Blake Baker Rutland
 an plantation known as on to him and his heirs forever
 with the privilege of bequeathing to my daughter Elizabeth Green
 a negro boy named Nelson, that she may have with her; also
 one cow and calf to her and her heirs forever
 with the privilege of bequeathing to my four sons (viz) Richard
 Thomas, Thomas Mount, and Blake Baker Rutland, to their
 my four sons six or eight (viz) Dick Mourning, Merriolay,
 Hannah, John, and a boy to be equally divided amongst
 them at the death or marriage of my wife to them and their
 heirs forever

I do give and bequeath to my servants, Paul Whitmell, Isaac
 Henry Johnson, Thomas Mount and Blake Baker Rutland
 my man servants of my estate that it not always given
 my at my wife's death or marriage, to be equally divided
 amongst them to them and their heirs forever

I do constitute and ordain my dear beloved wife
 Anne Rutland executrix and my friends Messrs Bishop
 and William Lloyd Executors of this my last will and testa-
 ment, revoking and dissolving of all wills or wills by me
 before made, and none other but that to be taken for my
 last will and testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto
 set my hand and face on y^e 24th the third day of January
 1704, at eight hundred and four.

Anne Rutland published and declared
 by the testator to be his last will and
 testament in presence of several of the testator
 the word sex on the other side was intended
 as a correction
 Richard Rutland
 John Whit
 Thomas
 Blake

Rutland Seal

The last will and testament of Blake
 Rutland deceased was proved in open court by the oath of
 Messrs Whitell one of the subscribers to the record
 to the record
 George Craynell

In the name of God Amen I Blake Carter being quite of my
 self and in a kin body but of perfect mind and memory
 do make and ordain this my last will and testament
 In the first place I commend my soul to God the author of all
 being, and trust and hope my Executors will bury my body
 in a decent and Christianlike manner

Secondly, after all my just debts and charges I give to my
 dear wife Peggy Carter all the property I possess so as to en-
 able her to support and raise my little children, and I also
 appoint my wife executrix of this my last will and testament
 and do hereby annul and revoke any former wills or testa-
 ment or executrix by me or any wife made or appointed
 and do make and ordain this my last will and testament
 In testimony of which I have hereunto set my hand and seal
 the twentieth day of September one thousand eight hundred
 and four

Signed and sealed in
 presence of
 John Carter
 Thomas
 Blake Carter
 Anne Carter

State of N. Carolina, May Term 1821
 Bertie County
 The last will and testament of John
 Britton was produced in open court by the oath of John
 Lumsden one of the subscribing witnesses - & read to be recorded
George G. Gage

In the name of God amen I John Britton of Bertie County
 being of sound and perfect mind and memory blessed be
 God do hereby declare that I do hereby make and publish this to be my last will and testament
 in manner following, that is to say I give unto Henry the son
 of mine daughter of the late John and Ann Britton of my land to
 be equally divided between them two and my horses to
 John Britton and I give unto Ann my horse to my wife and
 I give unto my father one double wood blanket
 to my brother John Britton and one double wood blanket
 to my brother Moore Britton and I give one cow and calf to Moore
 Britton and I give to Ann my horse and one she and one butter
 I do hereby declare and after the whole is settled if I have any
 thing left I leave it to my son Philip Britton the son of Ann
 and I hereby make and ordain my country friend Moore
 Britton and John Lumsden my Executors of this my last will
 and testament I do hereby declare and I do hereby declare
 to Helen my last wife and testament to my hand and seal the
 day and year above written

In witness

John Britton Published and declared by the said John Britton

the testator at his last will and testament in the presence of
 who were present at the time of signing and sealing thereof
Henry
John Lumsden
Mary Thayer
Nancy Lumsden
mark

State of N. Carolina, May Term 1821
 Bertie County
 The last will and testament of John Britton
 was produced in open court by the oath of John Lumsden
 one of the subscribing witnesses - & read to be recorded
George G. Gage

In the name of God amen
 I John Britton of Bertie County State of North Carolina being
 of sound and perfect mind and memory do hereby declare
 the shortness of life & certainty of death, do make and publish
 my last will & testament, that is
 Truly my will and desire is that all my just debt be paid
 Secondly that a sufficient quantity of good & wholesome
 spirituous liquors be furnished by my Executor hereafter
 named at my funeral at my expense the spirit of all
 whom may happen to be present.
 Item I give & bequeath to my Executor hereafter named my
~~best~~ best watch & chain of my house together with my
 saddle & bridle if any there be in my possession at my death or
 a compensation for his services, but as a token of friendship
 Item I give & bequeath all the residue of my property if any

There be 5 boxes of my drawings below on my own brother's letter
as a token of regard for them in preference to any other friend.
I remain dear Sir

And lastly I am in a state of profound distress my
pecuniary wants press power to subvert as them as think proper
in the latter end of my small estate which he has allowed me
sufficient time to satisfy him for all the trouble & expenses
he may bear. Nature's law being the least customs by which
pecuniary are governed in like cases - In witness whereof
I have hereunto set my hand & seal the 22nd of Feb^r 1804

Thos. Church

State of No Carolina May June 1804

Butler County,

The last will and Testament of Thomas
 Church, dec'd was proved in open court by the oaths of Hon-
 estas Lueck and Edmund Howell who swore they were well
 acquainted with the hand writing of the said Church and
 believed it to be written & signed with his own hand -
 Ordered to be recorded - Thomas Howell

In the name of God Amen I Thomas Masters of the State of
North Carolina and County of Wirten being of sound and so-
ber mind and a member of the Council do this twenty eighth
day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand Seven
hundred and Thirteen make an order and orders Myself last will and
testament in manner following First I bequeath to my beloved
wife Sarah Masters all my lands and property plantation

whom I now live during the time of her natural life and
 after her death I give and bequeath all my said land and ten-
 tations to be equally divided between my two sons Charles and
 Joseph Minton to them their heirs and assigns forever —
 I also give and bequeath to my son Arthur Minton the sum of
 one hundred silver dollars to be paid out of my estate and to
 be kept on interest unless he come to the age of twenty one and
 then paid to him with interest —
 I then give to my beloved wife Sarah Minton all my whole
 estate which I now yet possess during the time of her
 natural life and at her death to be divided amongst all my
 children in the following manner to wit first to my daughter
 Nancy Minton one feather bed and furniture secondly to my
 daughter Betty Minton one feather bed and furniture thirdly
 to my daughter Betty Minton one feather bed and furniture
 and third after ushers to my three daughters the above said
 feather bed and furniture to each, all the remainder of my
 estate to be equally divided amongst all my six children
 by them freely to be possessed and enjoyed forever Likewise
 I leave my son Charles Minton and my loving wife Sarah
 Minton my executors of this my last will in writing whom I
 have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year
 above written
 Thomas Minton Test

Type Parker & mark
 James Munton & mark

State of Michigan August Term 1894

Butler County

Shelby County The best witness and character of
Thomas Minter was proved in other courts by the oath of
eight to bring one of the subscribers into court & order to be
recorde — George Grayville

In the name of God Amen the the twenty sixth day of May
one thousand eight hundred and forty I William Bentley of
the County of Carter and State of North Carolina being very
sick and weak in body but of perfect mind and senses thanks
be to God for the same am settling to mind the mortality of my
body knowing that it is appointed for all men to die do make
and ordain that my last will and testament shall be as follows -
I humbly and bequeath to all my friends and recommend my soul
into the hands of almighty God that gave it and my body
I commend to the earth to be buried in a Christian like manner
at the discretion of my executors nothing doubting but at the
general resurrection I shall receive the same again by the might
power of God and touching such worldly estate whosoever
it shall hereafter please God to bless me with for the life of my de-
cessed and estate of the same in the following manner I com-
mit of all my goods that all my just debts to be paid within
convenient time after my decease likewise after my debts be
paid I give the rest of my estate as follows -

Item I give and bequeath to beloved wife Sarah Bentley one
half of my estate after my just debts being paid -
Item I give and bequeath to my beloved daughter Betty
Bentley the other half of my estate to order and dispose of
like my husband my executors to this my last will and
testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand
this day and date above written

Signed sealed and delivered
in the presence of us
Test Edward Bryant
William Bentley

State of North Carolina } August Term 1844
Carter County }
The last will and testament of William
Bentley deceased was proved in open court by the oath of Edward
Bryant the subscribing witness Ordered to be recorded -
George Bryant

In the name of God Amen I James A Jordan of the State
of North Carolina & County of Carter do hereby make
publish this my last will and testament this thirtieth day of
September in the year of our Lord eight hundred and
fourty in the following manner -

I find myself debilitated by age and am therefore part of
all my land leaving to my wife Sarah A Jordan to re-
turn to me at death. I also give my beloved wife Sarah the one
half of all my personal and real estate to her when she shall please
I desire all my negro slaves to be sold so many as I shall be
willing to give from the sale to be placed at the disposal of my
wife to be at her will -

I find my dear son William Bentley to be the interest
and from my estate to support and educate him in a
liberal & useful manner as he shall think fit of my executors
and wife to be brought up industriously until he arrived
at the age of twenty one year or upwards at either period
I give him all my real estate to have his heirs & assigns forever
in case my son should die before either the above periods then
I find my trust to the Chairmans of the County of Carter that

State of N. Carolina } November Term 1804
County of _____ }

The best work and settlement of this
 matter was proved in other courts by the oath of
 Abalom Richards one of the subscribing witnesses.
 Ordered to be recorded — George Gray

In the name of God amen August 31st 1799 I Medy
White of Boston County and State of North Carolina as having
in seen & mine and on many do make and contain the
my last words and bequests that is to say pinned and
first of all I recommend my soul into the hands of the Almighty
God who made it and I do hereby recommend to the ground to
be buried in a Christian like manner by the care and good
will of my executors nothing doubting but at the hand resur-
rection that I will rise again by the mighty power of God
and taking such worldly estate as it has pleased God to bless
me with in this life I give and my heirs and assigns the same in
the following manner and to be

I have been so often surprised and beguiled into my younger
 son's Coterie while in my manner plantation as I once heard
 and adjoining to one row and crop and one further back
 farthest to the side of the Coterie his was a no fewer -

[illegible]

and give and begeth unto my sons to learn to this day

State of North Carolina } November Term 1844
Harris County

The last will and testament of
Mary White deceased provided in open court by the
oath of Abraham Ritchard one of the subscribing wit-
nesses - Ordered to be recorded - George Graves

In the name of God Amen I Alexander Magheart of Harris
County in the State of North Carolina being of that age
I write for all men to see with the being at this time
weak & afflicted in body but in perfect possession of my sense
being of sound disposing mind and memory do make
and declare stable & firm my last will & testament in manner
following to wit

1st I give and bequeath unto my son James Magheart all my
household in the town of Winston, and all my other real
estate to him and his heirs forever -

2nd I give unto my daughter Mary Magheart five
hundred dollars -

3rd The real and personal property I have to be
equally divided amongst my children James & Elizabeth
and Mary Magheart and after the payment of all
my just debts I give bequeath unto my said child
James & Elizabeth & Mary to them & their heirs forever all
of my real estate of what nature or kind whatever except

my real property already devised to my son James
to be equally divided amongst them -
4th My will & further desire is that my daughter
Elizabeth as at Mary shall live until the term of their
marriage on the lot on which I now live in the town
of Winston and should my son James to whom the said
house & lot are devised think proper to sell or dispose
of the same that he shall build for my said daughter
Elizabeth & Mary on the said lot a comfortable house
in which they said Elizabeth & Mary may live with-
out interruption until marriage - and should not
my son James think proper to permit them my
daughter Elizabeth & Mary to live on the said lot, should
he be disposed to sell or dispose of the same without
providing for my said daughter Elizabeth & Mary
the house to live in as above mentioned - then and in
that case I give & devise the said house & lot & my other
real property to my son James & his heirs & my daugh-
ter Elizabeth & Mary to them & their heirs forever to be
equally divided amongst them -

Lastly I constitute, appoint, nominate, and constitute
Elizabeth White executor and executrix of this my last will
& testament hereby revoking & annulling all former
wills by me made & declaring of this to be my only
last will & testament -

signed this will in the presence of spirits
in the presence of our loved ones the names of the same are
four witnesses of
 Hemmle Clarkson
 Baldy Ashburn

Alex. Maguire

State of Maryland } November Term 1844
 Prince George's County

The last will and testament of
 Alexander Maguire and was proved in open court by
 the oath of Baldy Ashburn one of the subscribers of the
 will. Ordered to be recorded George Gray III

In the name of God Amen I Thomas Parke of the State
 of North Carolina Prince George's County being now of sound
 body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be given to God
 willing unto mine the mortality of body and knowing that
 it is appointed for all men once to die do hereby make and order
 this my last will and testament that is to say principally in
 first of all I give and recommend my soul into the hand of
 Almighty God that gave it and my body I recommend to the
 earth touching my worldly estate I give it to be divided
 and God to bless me in this I do I give devise and dispose
 of the same in the following manner to wit

I do hereby make and order of my free will and
 mind to be sold to pay my just debt

I then I do hereby make and order that I give my
 fellow name George after his death I give the said
 George to my brother Thomas Parke to him and his heirs forever
 I then I do hereby make and order that I give the said
 plantation after my mother's death until they are married
 I then I give all my land to my brother Thomas Parke
 to him and his heirs forever

I then I give my sister Elizabeth ten or more
 I then I give my brother Rich Parke children less than
 a year

I then I give to my sister Sarah Parke and her heirs
 the remainder part of my estate to them and their heirs forever
 called and bequeathed ratified and confirmed that no other will
 be my last will and testament for witness bearing of these be
 unto set my hand and seal this first day of February
 one thousand eight hundred and five Signed sealed and
 delivered in presence of

Test Rich Arnold
 Alex. Ashburn
 Baldy Ashburn

Thomas Parke

State of Maryland } February Term 1845
 Prince George's County

The last will and testament of Thomas
 Parke and was proved in open court by the oath of Baldy
 Ashburn one of the subscribers of the will. Ordered to be
 recorded George Gray III

State of N. Carolina, July Term 1894

252 White County The Judicial Statement of Margaret
Henderson was produced in open court by the authorities.
In the event one of the subscribers to the petition is ordered to
be arrested — George H. Apple

Chrysomelidae

In the name of God Amen I Charles Sumner do make
and order this my last will and testament in manner
following: I do hereby declare that after my death
be paid that all my real and personal property and
things belong to me that the same be divided equally
between the children of my late wife Elizabeth Sumner
I do hereby declare that my hand and seal this 10th day of
March 1841

James Souther
Charles W. W.

State of N. Carolina, by T. M. Cunniff 1892

Public County The last will & testament of
 Charles Langerman was provided for court by the
 will of Charles Langerman of the subscribing witnesses &
 intended to be recorded —

George Gayne

in to my Brother William Lloyd
 the term of my death. I give him his heirs and
 assigns forever them I give to my Brother Nicholas Onder-
 donk a negro man named Arthur I give to him his heirs and
 assigns forever them I give to my Brother Stephen Onder-
 donk a negro man named Charles I give to him his heirs and assigns
 forever them I will that my negro woman Mary be bound
 to annuity up as till my ship hull Solomon Coy be now the
 age of twenty one years then my will is that the
 my arising from said hull together with the said
 go woman and her increase if any there should be
 divided equally between Solomon Coy my son and
 my son I give to him their heirs and assigns forever
 I will further that all the residue of my Estate of what
 sort or kind soever be sold by my Executors at the best
 bid and that they pay all my just debts out of the money
 arising from the same and as there shall be a con-
 siderable sum left after paying all my debts I will that
 a sum or sums of money arising from the sale of
 the residue part of my Estate which may be left after
 paying my debts as before directed I will that the termina-
 tion of some of the said lives in being was the life of my Brother
 in law Joel Hyman or my Sister Mary Hyman his
 wife I will all the terminations of either one of
 two said lives I give and dispose of all the said sum
 sum of money arising as aforesaid in the following man-
 ner (Wills) That is to say in case my said sister Mary
 or my said sister Hyman or her husband should die
 in that case I give all the said sum or sums of money
 arising as aforesaid to her her heirs and assigns forever
 I should my said Brother in law Samuel or his wife
 my sister his personal wife then and in that case
 all the said sum or sums of money arising as aforesaid
 to my nephew Solomon Coy and my niece Mary
 I give to them their heirs and assigns forever
 I nominate ordain constitute and appoint my
 brother Nicholas Onderdonk and my friend Joseph London
 executors to this my last will and Testament to do there