

In the Name of God Amen.

The Eighth day of December 1778 I Richard Eaves of Carteret County in the State of N<sup>e</sup> Carolina, Gent, being my son & weak in Body, but of perfect mind & memory, thanksgivings unto God, therefore calling unto Mind the mortality of my Body, and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament; that is to say Principally & first of all, I give and bequeath my soul into the Hands of almighty God that gave it, and for my body I recommend it to the Earth, to be Buried in a Christian like & decent manner, at the discretion of my Executors nothing doubting but at the Generall Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty Power of God, and as touching such worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me with in this life, I give, devise & dispose of the same in the following manner & form

Item Imprimis, it is my Will & I do order, that in the first place all my just Debts & Fournirall charges be paid & satisfied it is my Will desirous that all my Personall Estate & Household goods be equally Divided between my Beloved Wife & my two children Sarah & Isaac Eaves.

And Lastly I do nominate & appoint Peter Shirley & Edward Shirley Executors to this my last Will & Testament; And I do hereby utterly disallow, revoke and disannull all & every other former will, Testaments, Legacies and Executors, by me in any way before this time Named, willed & bequeathed, Ratifying and Confirming this, and no other, to be my last Will & Testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand & Seal the Day and Year above written.

Signed, Sealed, Published, Pronounced, and Declared by the said Richard Eaves to be his last Will and Testament in the Presence of us the Subscribers (viz.)

Dav L Bell  
Thomas May x

Richd Eaves 

December Carteret County 1779

These are to certify that the Within Will was proved in open Court by the Oath of Thos May a Subscribing Witness thereto.

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In the Name of Gods Amen. I John Easton of Carteret County and State of North Carolina being weak of body, but of sound and perfect mind and memory, thanksgivings be to God doth this twenty seventh day of October in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and one, make ordain and publish this my last Will and Testament. First of all I recommend my soul to God who gave it me, and my body to be buried in a Christian like manner by the care of my Executors hereafter named; and concerning what worldly estate it hath pleased God to bless me with I dispose of in the following manner. that is to say.

I give and bequeath unto my son Samuel his Leins and assigns forever, the Land and plantation wherein I now live with all the improvements thereon, I also give and bequeath unto my said son Samuel his Leins and assigns forever, all my Lands on lower Creek with all the improvements thereon; only I reserve to my son in law Brian Nellor a privilege to get firewood thereon for his family consumption. Next my will and desire is that my negro man Slave named Andrew be free at my decease.

The rest of my Estate not yet bequeathed be it of what kind or nature soever, after paying all my just debts, I give to be equally divided between my four daughters, Alice, Mary, Abigail and Elizabeth, To them their heirs and assigns for ever. And I nominate constitute and appoint my son Samuel and my son in law Brian Nellor Executors to this my last will and Testament, revoking and disannulling all former wills and Testaments heretofore made, and acknowledging this and this only to be my last will and Testament.

In witness whereof I the said John Easton have to this my last will and Testament set my hand and affixed my seal, the day and year above written.

Signed, Sealed, declared & published by the said John Easton as his last will and Testament in the presence of

John Easton 

<sup>2</sup> Geo Read  
<sup>2</sup> Joel Henry

Carteret County Court February Term 1802 the foregoing will was proved in open Court by the oaths of George Read and Joel Henry subscribing witnesses

Attest Geo Read &c  
for Saml Liffers L.L.C.