

Gentry. I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Sarah Freshwater one mule & Hopes to her and her heirs for ever.

Hon, My will is that my boy Ben with all the young Negroes that shall or may be Born Before my Seelone shall be Equally Divided Between my son Before mentioned Viz Ebenezer, James and Zacheas Lander to them and their Heirs for ever and as for my old wench Bodge she may and shall after my Deceas Liv with either of them which she Chuseth.

Lately

I Constitute and appoint my wellbeloved Sons James Harper and Zacheas Harper to be my sole Executors of this my last and Testament Ratifying and Confirming This, and only This To be my Last will and Testament. Revoking Disannulling all other wills or Testaments by me Before made. In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my Hand abd Seal this Fourth Day of September in the year of our Lord One thousand Seven Hundred and Sixty two

Ebenezer Harper *Seal*

Signed Sealed & Delivered in presence of
Alexander Gilkin
Mary ^{for} Equals
Darcie James

June Carteret Count 1765
Proved in open Court
Rob Read Cjt

In the name of the same the Twenty second day of May in the year of our Lord 1762 I John Harper of the province of North Carolina in the County of Carteret, Planter, being law in body but of Body and perfect memory, thanks be to almighty God, am calling to mind & Remembraunce the uncertain estate of this Transitory life, and that all flesh must yield unto death when it shall please God to call; do make and do here this my last will & Testament in manner and form following: first being penitent and sorry for all my sins; most humbly desiring forgiveness for the same; I commend my soul unto almighty God my Savior and Redeemer, in whom & by whose merits I trust & believe accordinly to be saved & to have full remission & forgiveness of all my sins & to inherit the Kingdom of heaven and my Body I commit to the earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executor hereafter named; and for the settling of my temporal estate & such Goods & Chattels as it hath pleased God to bestow upon me: I do order Give & dispose of the same in manner & form of following: Imprimis I leave to my beloved wife during her widowhood the use of my plantations. —

I give and bequeath to my son John Harper & his heirs my plantation with the land to the same belonging, and one bed & furniture one Trading gun one Brindle Colonia hound & yearling and all my carpenter, Joiners, Coopers & other masters tools. —

I give and bequeath to my daughter Sarah Harper & her heirs three hundred acres of Land in Craven County on the soth side of Great River and one black cow called Blackberry & one small Dugtill chist. —

I give and bequeath to my Daughter Lydia Harper and her heirs a tract land joining Webster land on the River, and one red Heifer called Good Luck. —

I give & bequeath to my Daughter Elizabeth Smith two, two year old Steers and also one Red yearling Heifer to my Grand son Elijah Smith. —

I give & bequeath to my grandson Benjamin Wescott one shilling Sterling. —

I leave to my well beloved wife Mary Harper during her widowhood all the remainder of my Estate what is not above mentioned, and at my wife's decease to be equally divided betwixt my son John & Daughters Sarah & Lydia by estimation of my Executors, and I hereby make and appoint

my true friend John Bookhouse & Loving wife &
John Scott in Craven County & my son in law
Thomas Smith of Onslow County Executors of this
my Last Will and Testament. Decannulling &
Making void all former wills and Bequests
by me made, and Declaring this only to be
my last will & Testament. In witness
Whereof I have hereunto set my hand &
Seal the Day & year above written.

John Harper (seal)

Signed, Sealed published
pronounced & Declared
By the said John Harper to be
his last will & Testament
in the presence of
James Berry
Stephen Dudley
Abraham Dudley

In the name of God, amen, I Hillary Herbert being sick
and weak in body, but of sound mind and memory, and
knowing that it is appointed to all men to die do make
and appoint this my last Will and Testament, Recommen-
ding my soul to God who gave it, and my body to the earth
to be buried in decent manner according to the direction of
my Executors hereafter hereafter mentioned, whom I will
and desire to pay all my Lawful Debts, and as for what
worldly estate it hath pleased God to bless me with I
will and dispose of the same or manner following to say -

I give and bequeath unto my wife Jane Herbert
one third part of all my Estate, and a negro called her
hiding Mary to be disposed of as she shall think proper.

Item, I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Mary wife of
Daniel Cowdell living in Pennsylvania, one Negro girl called
Sall, being the borne of a negro woman called Albany common Col.
Crawford, given with her leave to my said Daughter along
my son William and Daughter Margaret, I also give and
bequeath unto my said Daughter Mary the sum of Three
Pounds, to her, her heirs and assigns for ever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my son William Herbert the sum
of Fifty pounds instead of his part of said negro woman and
her borne, to him his heirs and assigns for ever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Margaret Herbert the
like sum of Fifty pounds instead of her part of said negro
woman and her borne, to her, her heirs and assigns for ever.

My will and desire is, in case my said son William
and Daughter Margaret or either of them should not
withstanding make any demand of the above said Negro
Woman and her borne, they or either of them so pretending
shall forfeit the aforesaid sum of Fifty Pounds each which
said sum or sums shall remaine or returne into the hands
of my after named executors to be applied as the above
further occasion in defending my said Estate against any
such demand as above mentioned.

I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Sarah Herbert
the like sum of Fifty Pounds, to her, her heirs and
assigns for ever.

I give and bequeath unto my son Hillary Herbert
the like sum of Fifty Pounds to him his heirs and
assigns for ever.

I give and bequeath unto my son Edward Herbert
the like sum of Fifty pounds to him his heirs and
assigns for ever.