

In the Name of God amen I William Cummings of Currituck County in the State of North Carolina, being of Sound Mind and Memory do this Twentieth day of March in the year of Christ Our Lord 1784 make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament in Manner and Form following

I Humbly begueth my soul to God my Mother beseeching her most Gracious Acceptance of it through the Mediation of my most Compassionate Redeemer Jesus Christ who gave himself to be an Atonement for my Sins and is able to save to the utmost all that come unto God by him, saying he ever liveth to make Intercession for them, and who Christ will not reject me a Petitioner, for when I come to him for mercy in this hope and Confidence I would my soul with Comfort Humbly beseeching the blessed and Glorious Trinity our God most Holy most most merciful Gracious to Prepare me for the time of my Disolution and then to Take me to himself in that place and with which he has Prepared for those that love and bear his Holy name, Amen Pleased be God

I Give to my well beloved wife Martha all things I now Possess of What kind soever Caring her Widowhood for the better Support of my Children and if she Marries to be sold and Equally Divided amongst my Children

I Give as hereby I appoint my Friend Benjamin Johnston my beloved wife Martha Cummings Executors of this my Last will and Testament signed sealed and acknowledged by the said William Cummings at his Last Will and Testament in presence of

John Black
George Black (Coral)
The Black (Coral)

William Cummings
mark

July Court 1784

The Execution of this Will was duly Proved in Open Court by the Oath of George Black and Thomas Black two Subscribing Witnesses thereto Your motion Ordered to be recorded. *W. H. H. H.*

In the Name of God amen I John Lyon in the County of Currituck and State of North Carolina in Sound Mind and Memory but hallying to Mind the uncertainty of life and the Approaches of Death do make Constitute and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament in Manner and form following I Give my my soul to god who gave it to me and my body to the Earth to be buried at the Burial of my Executors hereafter mentioned, that after all my Civil Debts and General Expenses is paid, My Estate is then to Decend in Manner and form following

I Give and bequeath unto my son James Lyon one Hundred Acres of Land more or less that he Traded with Thomas Linnon and one Negro Girl named Kate and one Frather Red and Green slaves, one Cow and half, one mare which he has Already had, I Give and bequeath to my son William Lyon one Tract of Land containing one Hundred and twenty Acres which he now lives on and one Negro Girl named Ade, her Increase to him and his heirs forever

I Give and Bequeath unto my son Peter Lyon the Two Hundred and forty seven Acres of Land, that I bought from Percut Valley also the Colony he bought from Manette Valley, 300 Acres more or less also one Negro Girl named Mary to him and his heirs forever

I Give and Bequeath unto my son Henry Lyon one Hundred Acres of Land Lying between William Lyon and Reuben Jaudson, also one Negro Girl named Ade and her Increase to him his heirs forever

I Give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Sarah one Negro Girl named Ade to her and hers of her body lawfully begotten forever

I Give and bequeath unto my Daughter Mary Turner one Negro Girl named Easter her Increase to her and her heirs forever

I Give and bequeath unto my Daughter Francis Bailey one Negro Girl named Fann and her Increase to her and the heirs of her Husband Lawfully begotten forever also one Tract of Land containing two Hundred and forty six Acres as he now lives on,

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Item I Give and bequeath unto my Daughter Jane Anderson one Negro Maiden Named Aggy and her Increase to her and her heirs forever Also I Give unto my Daughter Jane one Negro Girl Named Fannie till the rest of my Estate be Divided and then she is to have her at her Value by two or three Good men Also one Hundred Acres of Land of the Mill Tract not including the Mill, the Land I Give to her and her heirs forever

Item I Give and bequeath unto my Grandson Richard Tandy Lyon Two Hundred Acres of Land that I Bought from Joshua Cato also one Negro Girl Named Fannie after wife's Death

Item I Give and bequeath unto my Grand Daughter Sally Turner one Negro Girl Named Fannie after my Wife's Death

Item My Will is that If I die before I can conveniently go into Virginia in Albemarle County to make a Right to a Certain Tract of Land where I formerly lived called the Rock Cove Containing Three Hundred and fifty Acres more or less (that my Executors) my Will is should make Pennist Valley a Good and Lawfull Right to the said Tract of Land, Further more my Will is that my son in Law, Samuel Anderson should sell my Tract, that is Called the Mill Tract of Land Containing One Hundred and Fifty Acres more or less for the best Price he could get and Further I do Advise him the said Samuel Anderson to make a Good and Lawfull Deed for the same, and the Money Arising from the Sale of the said Land is to pay my Debts and the Over Plus if any, to fall in the Rest of my Estate I Give to my beloved wife Jane Lyon all my Estate both Real and Personal During her Natural Life or Widowhood, and then my Will is that my Whole Estate, shall be Equally Divided between my Legates my Will is that three men of this Court Chosen by my Executors, to sell out my Estate that

Is not already Given away Equally, and then my Legates shall draw for their parts or Get some Legates to draw it for them, I Consulate and appoint my Party friend John Womack and John Ferras my Executors of this my Last Will and Testament, Revoking all former Wills, Acknowledging and allowing this to be my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal This Twenty third day of April One Thousand Seven Hundred & Eighty four

Signed Seal & Acknowledged

In presence of us

Samuel P. Mercer

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Samuel S. Mercer

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Samuel S. Mercer

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John Lyon (Seal)

July Court 1784

The Execution of this Will was duly proved in Open Court by the Oaths of Samuel Mercer Esquire and Anne Mercer Subscribing Witnesses thereto ordered to be recorded

Attest A. H. H. H. H.

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Assessments for the year 1784

To wit, Richmond District £46775. 16. 8.

P. Lawrence ditto ... 33645. " "

Casswell ditto ... 27592. 12. 2

P. Lutes ditto ... 40433. 1. 8.

Vash ditto ... 43637. " "

Glauster ditto ... 46788. 3. 4.

P. James ditto ... 36457. 10. "

P. Davids ditto ... 51337. 13. 4.

Sum of all the above ... £375723. 11. 2

413. 6. 8
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Continental Tax for the year 1784

To wit, Richmond District £47. 12. 2.

Casswell ditto ... 28. 3. 2.

Glauster ditto ... 35. 5. 2.

P. Lawrence ditto ... 40. 1. 2.

P. Lutes ditto ... 30. 10. 3.

Vash ditto ... 32. 15. 8.

P. James ditto ... 27. 10. 8.

P. Davids ditto ... 37. 16. 8.

Sum of all the above ... £282. 6. 6.

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A Return from the Continental Tax list,

Wm. Murphy & Co

Building Tax for the year 1784

On the State of the Assessment for the County at one Shilling in every £100.

Assessment £376137. 3. 10.

138. 1. 4

Wm. Murphy & Co

Inventory of the Estate of John Lyon, Deceased, that was
Left to Anne Lyon his widow as followeth —
Thirteen Vases, Robin, Bobb, Moll, Mollie, Linn, David Dick
mill, Charles, Duck, James James, & Phillis — Eleven
Head of Horses, 38. head of Cattle 47 head of Hogs, 7 head
of Sheep, 3 Feather Beds, 4 Bedsteads, one Dressing
Table, one small Walnut Chest, one Square Table, one
Pine Chest, Two Cupboards, one large Glass, one Wagon
One Brass Kettle, 5 plates, one Duck Oven one Iron Kettle
one J. P. B. Kettle, one Cooking Knife, 3 Litters, 1 Grindstone
1 Hackle, one Tea Kettle Stand, one Litter 1 Firebail —
2 Candlesticks, Shavers, one Linen Box, 4 Butter, 2 Cans
one Iron Spice Mortar, 2 Canisters 3 Jugs, 10 Glasses & Dish
21 plates, 10 Chairing Cups, 5 Ladles, 6 Coffee Cups & Creamers
one Milk Pot, and Coffee Pot, 3 Tea cups & Creamers, 2 Cream
Pots, 2 Earthen Plates, one Drain Glass, 2 Glass Tumblers
1 French Bowler, 4 Mugs, 10 Tea Spoons, 10 Table Spoons
17. Knives and Forks, one Bottle, 9 other books, one pair
of Chains, one Window Hood 4 Glass Wheels, 2 Cotton Wheels
one Chuck Wheel, one Pint Pot, 1 Quart Pot, 1 Trunk & Wall
5 Bottles, 2 Hat Boxes, one J. P. Box, 10 Soap Hooks
2 pig bladders 10 Small ditto, one Mutton 16 lbs 3 Broad Axes
17. Narrow Axes, one Spade 8 Bells, 1 Iron Pipe, 10 Wagon Rims
one Copper and Lead, 1 Hand saw, 1 Sawmill, one Cooper's Ax
one Sledge, 1 Drawing Knife 3 Augers, one Gage 1 Chisel
2 Hammers 1 J. P. Pinchers Part of set of Blacksmith Tools
2 Guns, 1 Tea Pot 3 Iron Wedges many Lead & Butter

John Wornack

Currit County Deeds Court 1784

This Inventory was duly returned by the Exec.

I Ordered to Record

Wm. Murphy & Co