

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 Father beseeching his 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 send my soul with Comfort humbly beseeching he 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 humbly begueth my wife Martha all things I now Possess of What kind soever Currying her Widowhood for the better Support of my Children and if she Marries to be sold and Equally Divided amongst my Children

I do hereby 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 humbly begueth 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 humbly begueth unto my son James Lyon one Hundred Acres of Land more or less that he Traded with Thos. Turner and one Negro Girl named Ruth and one Frather Red and Green slaves, one Cow and calf, one mare which he has already had, I humbly begueth 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 Cade, her Increase to him and his heirs forever

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

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

I humbly begueth unto my Daughter Sarah one Negro Girl named Cade to her and hers of her body lawfully begotten forever

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

I humbly begueth 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 two Acres as he now lives on,

Turn Over

October Court 1789.

September the 18th 1789. An Inventory of the Estate of the late

Commons Dec and List of Sales

To one Cow and Calf sold for

£ 0 0

To one Bull

£ 7 6

To one Heifer

£ 1 0

To one Horse

£ 6 0

To one feather bed Furniture

£ 2 0

To one bedstead

£ 8 0

To one Flax wheel

£ 11 0

To three Chairs

£ 9 0

To one Chest and box

£ 10 0

To one Horse Collar

£ 10 0

£ 57 15 6

By Johnstone Esq

Brought in right of his
wife Martha CommonsThe Inventory of Sales was duly
returned to Court by the Esq
and Ordered to be recorded

Tate R. Murphy

An Inventory of the Articles of Madam Greene Esq

1 White Mare 1 Dark Bay horse head of Cattle two birds

seven basen seven head of Pigeons two Dish new plates two

Pots 1 Flying Lamm 1 Plough 3 hees 1 Ax 1 Gun 1 Barrel 1

Chips 1 Water Pail 1 Hand saw 1 Gough 1 Hammer 1 sawing

Knives two Wedges two planes 1 Gimble 1 Boringers

A Just return to Cammell Court

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This Inventory made the 20th day of October Anno Domini 1789.

Between David Shilton Esq in behalf of the Inters and their
Jurors of the County Court of Cammell of the one part and
John Gately of the Other part Witnesseth that the said David
Shilton in pursuance to an Order of the said Court made theday and date above written and according to the directions of
the Act of our General Assembly in that case made Provided
Act that place and send unto the said John GatelyA Book an Apphan now of the Age of five years last
Xmas with the said John Gately to live after the manner
of an Apprentice and servant untill he shall attain toTwenty one years during all which time the said apprentice his
said Master he faithfully shall serve his lawful Commands
every where Gladly Every he shall not at any time absent
himself from his said Masters service without leave but in allThings as a Good and faithful servant shall behave towards his
said Master, And the said John Gately with Covenant, Bond
and agreed to and with the said David Shilton that he will teachand instruct or cause to be taught & instructed the said John
Gately According to law to read the English Language to
law Also the Art and Mystery of a planterAnd that he will constantly bind and provide for the
said Apprentice during the term above sufficient dish
washing lodging and Apparel fitting for an Apprenticeand servant, and all other things necessary both in law
and in health & Wholesome whereof the Parties theirParents hath Interchangeably set their hands & seals
affixed their Seals the day and year above writtenSigned sealed & Delivered
in presence ofDavid Shilton
John Gately

Tate R. Murphy