

In the Name of God Amen & I James Taylor of the County of Chatham  
 & State of North Carolina being sick and weak in body but of  
 sound and disposing mind and memory considering the uncer-  
 tainty of human life and that all men are born to die and  
 considering the necessity of disposing of the worldly substance  
 wherewithal it ha ghesaid God to bly me for the disposing, I  
 do hereby make publish and declare this to be my last will  
 and Testament in manner and form following hyslye making  
 all former Wills by me at any time heretofore made, that is  
 to say - Impunitus it is my will and desire that all my just  
 debts and funeral expences be first paid out of the proceeds  
 of the sale of my purchable estate.

Item I give and bequeath to my son George W Taylor all  
 the Negroes together with their future increase and other  
 property of which the said George is now in possession  
 to him and his heirs forever.

Item I give to my grand children James Monack Am  
 Monack and Mary Monack the children of my  
 deceased daughter Mary Monack the following Negro  
 now in the possession of my son in law Green Monack  
 viz Ben Alfred Alice Lettie Louisa Sarah Joe, Becky  
 and Linda and wheras my son in law Green Monack  
 has sold a Negro Woman named Mary with my consent  
 which he was to replace with another of like value  
 now I also give the said Negro to be replaced or in  
 case the said Green Monack fails to replace the said  
 Negro then I give the proceeds of the sale of the said Negro  
 may now in the hands of the said Green Monack  
 to my said three grand children all of the aforesaid  
 property to be divided between them than & I have  
 alike and in case of the death of either of my said  
 grand children during their Infancy then I give and  
 bequeath the share or shares of such grand child or

Children so dying during their Infancy to the survivors or  
survivor of my said grand children.

Item I give and devise to my son James Taylor the lands  
purchased by me of Philip Abston running however  
the right to any of my family of using the Gin on the  
said plantation in ginning their crops of cotton

Also I give and bequeath to my said son James  
Taylor the Lovel Mare & two colts called her

Item I give and devise to my son Philip Taylor six  
hundred & forty acres of land including the  
W. F. houses and plantation beginning at my  
upper Low Doudy line running down the river so  
far as to make the said quantity of six hundred  
40 acres by running out to my back line

I also give to my said son Philip Taylor a horse or horses  
of the value of one hundred dollars two cows & calves  
two beds & furniture & the stock of Hog called his

Item I give and devise to my son William Taylor the residue  
of my tract of land on Deep River also a horse or horses  
of the value of one hundred dollars two cows & calves  
& two beds & furniture also the stock of cattle  
called his

Item I lend to my beloved wife Mary Taylor the plantation  
whereon I live and all my tract of Land adjoining  
during her natural life & after her death I give and  
devise the same to my two daughters Sarah Taylor  
& Appolia Taylor to be equally divided between  
them. I also lend to my said wife the residue  
of my household furniture & stock of every kind  
not herein otherwise particularly disposed of & all my  
kitchen furniture big Waggon cart, & all my  
plantation tools & farming utensils

Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Sarah Taylor  
two beds & furniture a bureau & what Trunk & boxes,

one called him Also a horse or horses of the value of one hundred dollars two cows & calves & the stock of cattle called him

Item I give to my daughter Apphia Taylor a horse or horses of the value of one hundred dollars two hogs & hams two cows & calves a Pueran and what Trunks & boxes are called her Valas the stock of cattle known as hers

Item It is my desire that all my other Tract of Land not herein given away or mentioned as intended so to be of my two cattle be sold by my executors hereinafter named & the proceeds thereof to be divided equally among my said wife & my children James Philip William & <sup>bapt</sup> Apphia Taylor all the rest of my Negroes my Hoggather Stock & my lots in the towns of Pittsborough & Haywood & all the residue of my estate I give to my said wife Mary Taylor & my four children following my James Philip William Sarah & Apphia Taylor to be equally divided between them share & share alike

Whereas my two daughters Sarah & Apphia having taken some pains with two Negro girls who have commonly swacted on them named Evelina & Rose it is my will & desire that in the division of my estate according to this my will that the said Evelina & Rose Increase be allotted to my daughter Sarah of the said Negro shall live & the said Rose of living be apportioned to my daughter Apphia together with the Increase & that the said Negroes be valued and received by my said daughters in part of their Share of my Heires - It is also my desire that the following Negroes of living at the division of my estate my Piggy Patience & Cato Senior be apportioned to my said wife & be received by her in part of her Share - I do hereby Nominate & appoint my two sons George W Taylor & James Taylor to be executors to this my last will & Testament In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 18<sup>th</sup> day of May A.D. 1828

Signed sealed published & declared by  
the Testator James Taylor as his last will &  
Testament in presence of us who at his  
request & in his presence have witnessed unto

N. H. Strong

David Reed

James Taylor Seal

Whence My Daughter Sarah having intermarried with Dr  
Spencer M'Leahen I do therefore make & do publish &  
declare by way of codicil to the within my last will &  
testament this 12<sup>th</sup> day of November A.D 1823 as follows  
viz all the Land Negroes Slavery Stock lots in the  
Towns of Pittsborough & Maywood furniture Wreck and all  
such part of my estate as is mentioned in my said will  
to be given to my said daughter Sarah I do hereby give &  
deem the same to my friend Charles J Williams in Trust  
nowhereby that he hold & hold the said lands & hire out the  
Negroes so to be allotted him for the use & benefit of  
my said daughter Sarah M'Leahen or he shall at his  
discretion permit & suffer my said daughter Sarah  
M'Leahen to occupy & use the said land & Negroes  
without hindering & barring & in case of the death of  
my said daughter Sarah M'Leahen leaving any  
Issue her surviving then that he convey the same to  
such child or children but in case my said daughter  
Sarah Should die without leaving <sup>such</sup> Issue then that  
he divide the same among my children George James,  
Philip William & Apphia Taylor equally

Signed sealed published &

Declar'd by the testator in presence

of us who became witnesses

hereunto at his request

Joseph Baker

William Phil Bain

Louis Taylor *Ques*

Proved at May 20<sup>th</sup> 1824