

In the name of God amen I John Tripp
of the County of Chatham and State of North Carolina
of sound mind and memory. Thanks be to the almighty
God for the same, therefore calling to mind the mortality
of my body and knowing it is appointed for all men once
to die, I do hereby make this to be my last will and testament
in manner and form as follows. First and principal
I recommend my immortal soul into the hands of
almighty God that gave it me, Hoping through
the merits of my Saviour, to inherit life
everlasting and as to my mortal body I commit it
to the earth from whence it was taken, to be buried at
the direction of my executors hereafter mentioned.
First my Will is that all my Just debts be paid &
secondly I leave my worldly estate as follows to wit
I give my Land to my Sons to wit
Jonathan Tripp, Reuben Tripp, John Tripp, and
William Tripp to be equally divided amongst
them, running East and West, & North & South, so as
to take the places whereon they now live and my
youngest, William, to have the part whereon I now
do live after the death or marriage of his Mother
I leave to my beloved wife Mary Tripp the land and plantation
whereon I now do live, during her natural life time or widow-
hood and my Negro Slave David, one Cow & Calf and
year, I Dea Garrison, one caudle Spoon. And I give
to my son William Tripp one Dea Garrison and the
Calf & one Horse caudle Spoon. All the crop is made
all the revenues and income of my estate that is not

to be equally divided amongst my
beloved wife Mary Tripp and my three daughters
namely Minny Tripp and Elizabeth West and Mary
Powell. I give to my kind Mother Mary Tripp 10
bushels of wheat and one barrel of Corn for this year
lastly I constitute and appoint Jonathan Tripp and
Reuben Tripp executors of this my last Will and Testament
Signed Sealed and delivered this 10th day of January 1805
in presence of us
James Smith
Abraham Smith
John M. Carter

John Tripp

Prova February Session 1805
James Smith & Abraham Smith

In the name of God amen. I Alexander Tripp
of the County of Chatham and State of North Carolina
being in a feeble condition but of a sound memory
knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die
I do recommend my soul to almighty God that gave
it, my body to the earth in a decent burial. I leave
my beloved wife Betsey Tripp a Negro Slave named
Sam during her natural life time or widowhood and
in case of her marriage the Negro man shall then to be
returned and kind out until my youngest boy shall
come of age and then the principal and interest of
the hire of said Negro slave to be equally divided amongst
my boy children. I give unto my beloved wife a good
Dea Garrison. I also give my beloved wife a servile
filly a year old last spring called Bess who is equal
share of my Household Furniture with my children