

In the year of our Lord one Thousand Eight Hundred and
 September the 22nd. I Thomas Braxton of the State of North
 Carolina and County of Chatham being weak of body &
 of perfect mind and memory thanks be given to God; calling
 to mind the mortality of my body and knowing it is app-
 ointed for all men once to die; I do make and enact this
 my last Will and Testament that is to say. Principally
 and first of all I give and recommend my soul into
 the hand of Almighty God that gave it, and my body
 I recommend to the Earth to be buried in a decent Christian
 burial at the direction of my executors and as touching
 such worldly estate wherewith it has pleased God to bless
 me with in this life, I give devise and dispose of the
 same in the following manner and form. First that all
 my debts and funeral Charges be paid

I have unto my true and beloved Wife Mary Braxton
 the Bed and Furniture, her choir, one Case drawer, one Cow
 called Kate, her saddle & Spurring Whet, one pot and one
 duck oven her choir and all the Silver Jewels and boots
 white flannel Soap and Sunblers and Hair Ointments that I
 shall possess at my death. I also leave her one Fourth part
 the remaining part of movable or personal property that she
 say my goods and both money notes and Book debts
 that I have to her and her heirs forever. I also leave her
 two Acres and about Land wherewith I now live to be run
 of the South end of the old Grant back which two

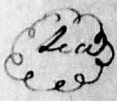
which Two hundred Acres of Land with all the build-
 ings and pertanances thereto belonging I leave unto her to be at
 her disposal to manage as she shall think fit in during her
 natural life or widowhood and I leave her one fourth
 part of the crops of different kinds that shall be on the
 land at my decease and at her death or manage the said
 Two hundred Acres of Land I leave to my son John

Braxton to him and his heirs forever. I give and leave
 unto my son John Braxton three hundred fifty acres
 of Land whereon he now lives two hundred acres situated
 by Travis Bay the hundred and fifty acres situate by
 myself; which three hundred and fifty acres of Land
 I leave to him and his heirs forever. I also leave my son

John Braxton my Wagon and nine years. Now I leave
 unto my son Elisha Braxton twenty five pounds in money
 to be paid him out of my estate. I leave my Daughter
 Abigail Conklin twenty pounds in money to be paid to her
 out of my estate. I leave ten pounds a year unto my two
 grand daughters my daughter Ann Binalley that is to
 say ten pounds to Mary Binalley & ten pounds to Hannah
 Binalley to be paid to them out of my estate when the comes
 of age. I likewise leave unto my grand son James Green
 one shilling called Piguet. I likewise leave him twenty
 five pounds in money to be paid him out of my estate
 when he comes of age and if he should die before he
 comes of age the twenty five pounds to go to his Father

259 will before named Will and bequeath. Ratifying and con-
firming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament.
In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand this
in the year of our Lord 1814 September the 22nd day.

Sigma Delta pronounced
as done by the S^r Thomas
Benton as his last Will &
Testament in the presence of us
Clara Guthrie
William Love

Thomas Benton 
prova November 1814
by William Love

In the name of God amen. I Joseph Park being
being very weakly as to my body but of a sound and
disposing mind do make this my last Will and Testament
that is to say first I recommend my body to be decently buried
and I give into the hands of that power that gave it &
my worldly concerns as follows. Secondly. My wife I desire
is that all my Just debts shall be paid as soon as the
nature of the case will admit. Thirdly. I leave unto my
Wife Mary Park the use of my Horse plantation and
her natural life or widowhood, together the whole of my
Stock of every kind plantation utensils, Household &
Kitchen Furniture, also the use of Four Negroes, to wit
Ben, Antony, Sucky, & Lang. Fourthly. It is my
Will at my death my Newlow Creek Land may be.