

27 I leave to my William and John. I am in the life
under the care of my executors till they are twenty years
of age. — My Will in the next place is, that my four
sons, William, James, Thomas and John, Burns, be and
I do appoint them executors to this my last Will and
Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my
hand and seal this 22nd day of March in the year
of our Lord Anno Domini 1811.

Signed sealed and delivered
in presence of
John Bryan
Deborah Chapman

John Burns 
mark

In the name of God amen. I Thomas Brooker
of the County of Chatham and State of North Carolina
being in a reasonable State of health and of a sober and
disposing mind and memory Thanks be to God for the
same, Calling to mind the mortality of the human family
do make this my last Will and Testament, that is to say
my body to be decently buried in the earth and my
soul again into the hands of God that gave it —
I am. It is my desire that all my Just debts shall be
paid by executors hereafter named. Secondly, I leave unto
my beloved Wife Martha Brooker during her life on
Middletown the Land and Town of Land whereon I now
live, so as to include my mansion and other out Houses
to be layed off as she may choose and that she may
receive as much Corn and Flower from the mill
if truly needed as may be sufficient for her and what
family may remain with her. Also one Negro

Man name Bobb and a Negro Woman name Abigail
 Two Feather Beds and Furniture. half dozen Chairs, one
 Desk, one Bedstead, and its common furniture and one Chest
 in also the Kitchen Furniture, Three Cows & Calves, the Sows;
 Abaw, Two Sows and pigs, One Walnut Table, one Break
 Table One Cotton Wheel, one Flax Wheel, half a dozen
 kea of Sheep, one plow One Axe, One Hoe, one pair of plow
 Iron, and give unto her twenty weight of Sugar five lb
 of Coffee and one thousand weight of Pork.
 The property lent to my Wife Martha Lane excepted; it is
 my desire at her death it may equally divide between all
 my Daughters or their Heirs except Martha Evans and
 her Heirs. I give unto my son Saml Brooks that
 tract of Land I purchased of Samuel Brooks known by
 the name of Samuel Brooks's Old place containing three
 Hundred and twenty Nine Acres more or less One feather
 Bed and Furniture together with what he has already
 received to him and his Heirs for ever. I give and
 bequeath to my Daughter Catharine Brooks, the sum of
 Twenty Five pounds to be paid out of my estate together
 with what she has already received to her and her
 Heirs for ever. I give and bequeath to my Daughter Mary
 Brooks the sum of Twenty Five pounds to be paid out
 of my estate together with what she has already received
 including one Negro Boy name Peter to her and
 her Heirs for ever. I give and bequeath unto my

Daughter Elizabeth Harris the sum of forty pounds to be paid out of my estate together with what she has already received to her and her heirs forever.

Sum. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Amy Crague the sum of twenty five pounds to be paid out of my estate together with what she has already received including one Negro Boy named Jack to her and her heirs forever.

Sum. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Hannah Jones one Negro Girl named Leticia, and the sum of twenty five pounds to be paid out of my estate together with what she has already received to her and her heirs forever.

Sum. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Fanny Jones one Negro Boy called George and the sum of twenty five pounds to be paid out of my estate together with what she has already received to her and her heirs forever.

Sum. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Nancy Niles one Negro Boy named Lipp together with what she has already received to her and her heirs forever.

Sum. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Martha Evans (not the late mentioned) the remainder of that Grace of Land I purchased of Charles Ingram containing the Hundred and sixty acres or thereabouts to her and her heirs forever. Sum. I give and bequeath unto my son Thomas Brooks one Horse saddle and Bridle one Feather Bed and Furniture to him and his heirs forever.

Sum. I give and bequeath to my son Neal Brooks one Horse saddle and Bridle one Feather Bed Furniture to him and his heirs forever. Sum. I give and bequeath unto my son Samuel Brooks, one Horse saddle and Bridle one Feather Bed and Furniture to him and his heirs forever.

Sum. I give and bequeath unto my son Brooks one Horse saddle and Bridle one Feather Bed Furniture to him and his heirs forever.

My Will and desire is that the remainder of my Lands be equally divided between my ^{youngest} sons (to wit) Thomas, Neal, Samuel & John Brooks together my Heirs and at the appraisance, thousands belonging, except my Dear Great Lands. It is my Will and desire that my eldest son James Brooks should have equal share of the five Quarter for his own private use but not for Cultivation. In the mean time particular respect must be paid in the division of Lands between my before mentioned sons; so far as respects the Harrods farm but my Wife during her life I mean that the division should be convenient to them after her death. Sum. It is my Will and desire after paying off debts Legacies &c. that the surplus of my estate be equally divided between the whole of my children except Martha Evans Niles or James Brooks and his. Lastly I hereby nominate, name and appoint Thomas Ragland Mordecai M^r Sam^r James Brooks, Larkin Brooks and John Niles my whole and

221) Sole executor of this my last will and Testament, revoking
and annulling all other wills or bequests by me made
declaring this to be my last will and Testament. In
witness of the said Thomas Brooks have hereunto set my
hand and seal this 23rd day of February 1812.

Signa & seal acknowledged in the presence of
Deas Harris
Henry Harris
Thomas Brooks Esq
prova. August 6, 1812
by Deas Harris, Henry Harris

In the name of God amen. I John Brantley
of Chatham County, and State of North Carolina
being of sound and perfect mind and memory blessed
be God; do this fifth of November in the year of our
Lord one thousand eight hundred and eleven, make
and publish this my last will and Testament in
manner following. That is to say. First I give and
bequeath unto my dear son Edward Brantley, one
Negro Boy called Solomon 2.nd I give and bequeath
to my son James Brantley one Negro Boy called
Leonard and fifty dollars. 3rd I give and bequeath to
my Grand Children the heirs of the body of my
Daughter Patsy one Negro Girl called Chaney
and her increase to be equally divided amongst
them all when the youngest comes of age —
4th I give to my two daughters Sally Patterson &
Mary Patterson two dollars a piece. also