

in the name of god amen

1 Jacob Rodgers of the County of Cumberland
planter being very sick and weak in body but of
perfect mind and memory thanks be given unto god
calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing
that it is appointed for all men once to dye do make
and ordain this my last will and testament. That is to
say principally and first of all I give and commend my
soul into the hand of almighty god that gave it and my
body I recommend to the Earth to be buried in decent
Christian Burial at the discretion of my Executors
nothing doubting but at the general resurrection I shall
receive the same again. By the mighty power of god and
as lacking such worldly Estate wherewith it has pleased
god to bless me in this life I give devise and dispose of the same
in the following Manner and form

First I give to my beloved wife Ruth the plantation
wherem I now live During her Natural life and
Likewise I give and bequeath to My to Ruth My dearly
beloved wife one Bay pacing Mare Banded with two
hooks all the hoggs to Me belonging and one feather
Bed and furniture

Also I give to my Well beloved Daughter Elizabeth
Hancock one cow and calf running at her own house
and that to her full part of my Estate

Also I give to my beloved Daughter Sarah Rodgers one
feather Bed and furniture and one cow and calf one young
Bay Mare Banded with a cross and that to be her full
part of My Estate. Also I give to My Well beloved daugh-
ter Maryann Rodgers one feather Bed and furniture
one cow and calf one Bright Bay Mare with a star in
her forehead Banded with a sword shurup & horn
Also I give to My sons John and Enock Rodgers My
land and tennament to be divided as follows Beginning
at a white oak at the lower end of the old field known by
the name of the Royal oak the upper end to John the
lower end to Enock and to run from the above mentioned
oak a direct line to the line. Also I leave to My
Well Beloved wife all the rest of my Movable Estat
and stock of all kinds working tools and other conveniences
for the use of paying My just Debts and Raising and schooling
My children and at her Death all such Estate to be
Equally divided between My two sons John and Enock

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I Likewise constitute Make and ordain My Dearly
Beloved wife Ruth and my Dearly friend James Muff
My sole Executrix and Executor of this my last will and
testament and I do hereby utterly disallow Revoke and
disannul all and Every other former Testaments wills
Legacies bequests and Executors by Me in any ways before named
written and bequeathed Ratified Ratifying ~~and~~ and
confirming this and no other to be my last will and testament
in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this
Nineteenth day of June one thousand seven hundred and
seventy four

Signed sealed published pronounced Jacob I Rodgers
and declared by the sd Jacob Rodgers
as his last will and testament in
the presence of us who in his presence
and in the presence of each other have
hereunto subscribed our names —

William D. Hanes
Charles F. Martin
William Hancock

North Carolina
Cumberland County } Sealed Court 1776 —

Then were the Execution of this Will in Open Court
in due form of law proved by the Oath of Charles Sheering
One of the Subscribing Witnesses thereto & Ordered to be
Recorded And at same time Ruth Rodgers Executrix and
James Muff Executor of said Will qualified by taking
the Oath her law appoints for Executors Ordered That they

Witnessed and signed 7

I have written
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In the Name of God Amen I Jacob Rogers of the
 County of Cumberland sheweth being very Sick & Weak
 of body but of perfect mind & memory that he be-
 gins calling to mind the mortality of my body & knowing
 that it is appointed for all men once to die Do make & Ordain
 this my last Will & Testament That is to say principally &
 first of all I give and Recommend my Soul into the hands
 of almighty God that gave it and my body I recommend to
 the Earth to be buried in a decent Christian burial at the
 discretion of my Executors Nothing doubting but at the
 General Resurrection I shall receive the same again by
 the mighty Power of God; And as touching such worldly
 Estate wherewith it has pleased God to bless me in this life
 I give Devise and Dispose of the same in the following
 manner and form.

First I lend to my beloved Wife Ruth the plantation wherein
 I now live during her natural life & likewise I give and
 bequeath to my dear & beloved Wife One Tray pairing Mare
 branded with two knots All the Hogs to me belonging and One
 feather bed and furniture.

Also I give to my well beloved Daughter Elizabeth
 Hancock one Cow & half running at her own house & that
 to her full part of my Estate.

Also I give to my beloved Daughter Sarah Rogers One
 feather bed & furniture and one Cow & half One young Tray
 Mare branded with a cross and that to be her full part of
 my Estate.

Also I give to my well beloved Daughter Mary Ann Rogers
 One feather bed & furniture One Cow & half One bright Tray
 Mare with a star in her forehead branded with a cross &
 Horned Iron.

Also I give to my Son John W. Enock Rogers my Land
 and Tenement to be divided as follows Beginning at a white
 Oak at the lower end of the Old field known by the name of the
 Hanged Oak the upper end to John & the lower end to Enock
 & to Run from the above mentioned Oak a direct line to
 the North line.

Also I leave to my beloved Wife all the rest of my
 moveable Estate and Stock of all kinds Working tools and
 that

other convenience for the use of paying my Just Debt and raising and educating my children and at her Death all such estate to be equally divided between my two sons John and Noah —

I likewise constitute make and Obtain my dearly beloved wife Ruth & my Trusty friend James Muse my sole Executors and Executors of this my last will & Testament and I do hereby utterly disallow revoke & disannul all & every other former Testaments Wills Legacies bequests & Executors by me in any Will before named Wills & Bequests Ratifying & confirming this and no other to be my last Will & Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this Nineteenth day of June One thousand seven hundred and Seventy four —

Isaac F. Rodgers 
mark

Signified Seal Published for record & Obedience
by the said Isaac Rodgers as his last
Will & Testament in the presence of us
who in his presence & in the presence of
each other have hereunto subscribed
our names.

William ^{his} W. Mason
mark

Charles Sherrin

William ^{his} F. Throck
mark

N. C. Indiana Cumberland County —

October Term 1774 —

Then was the execution of this Will in Open Court in due form of law proved by the oath of Charles Sherrin one of the subscribing witnesses thereto & ordered to be Recorded. At same time Ruth Rodgers & James Muse Executors of said Will qualified as such conformable to law & it was ordered the Clerk have Letters Testamentary —

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A True Copy —

The Clerk proclama

other convenience for the use of paying my Just Debt and raising and educating my children and at her Death all such estate to be Equally divided between my two sons John and Jacob —

I likewise constitute make and Ordain my dearly beloved wife Ruth & my trusty friend James Mace my sole Executors and Executors of this my last will & Testament And I do hereby utterly disallow revoke & disannul all & every other former Testaments Wills Legacies bequests & Executors by me in any Wise before named Will & Bequest This Ratifying & confirming this and no other to be my last Will & Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this Nineteenth day of June One thousand seven hundred and Seventy four —

his
Jacob F. Rodgers 
mark

Signed Seal Published pronounced & Delivered by the said Jacob Rodgers as his last Will & Testament in the presence of us who in his presence & in the presence of each other have hereunto subscribed our names.

William W. Mace
mark

Charles Shearson

William F. Mace
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N. L. Probate Court in and for the County of Cumberland

October Term 1774 —

There was the production of this Will in Open Court in due form of Law proved by the oath of Charles Shearson one of the subscribing witnesses thereto & ordered to be Recorded At same time Ruth Rodgers & James Mace Executors of said Will qualified as such conformable to Law & it was ordered the should have taken Testamentary —

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