

In the Name of God Amen. **James Ryan** Esq. of the County of Currituck & State of North Carolina, being sick of body but of sound disposing mind & memory, do hereby publicly testify that he make & Ordain this last will & Testament of Making to be & contain my last will & Testament. First that I do hereby Recommend my soul to Almighty God that gave it me & my body to the divinely blessed in a place where it should please my Executors hereafter named and as to what Estate it hath been pleased God to bestow me, I give and dispose in manner & form as followeth

First my last will & desire is that my loving wife **Sabell Ryan** should have the use of the old plantation whereon I now live, & all the land belonging to it during her life & after my a^d. wifes death I give the a^d. land & plantation that her son **Andrew Duke**, whom this wills forever - Also my will & desire is that the dividing line between me and **Robert Dyer** should stand as we have made it.

Item I give & bequeath unto the a^d. **Andrew Duke** a Tract or parcel of land containing seventy five Acres more or less bounded as followeth. Beginning at William Monroes corner & running a South & E. West Course to the back line of my patent & the said land being on the South East end of my patent & back of the said **Andrew Dukes** own land, to him & his heirs forever.

I also Give one Cow & calf to **Frances Perumney** Daughter of **Harry Gibson**, to her & her heirs forever.

I also Give all the Remainder of my Estate after all my Just debts & costs of settling of said Estate is made & fully paid, unto my loving wife **Sabell Ryan**, with her personal mother & heirs & without to her & her heirs forever.

Also I constitute & appoint my loving wife **Sabell Ryan** & **William Phindge** my heirs & sole Executors of this my last will & Testament. To settle my Estate settled According to this my last will and the Law should require, as Witness my hand & seal this Twelfth Day July Anno Dom. 1784.

Signed & Subscribed
in the presence of us
Robert Dyer Clerk
William Phindge

James Ryan Esq.

Read & Examined November 27th 1784
Corn. 1784.

Handwritten signature

State of North Carolina. Currituck County. In the name of God Amen. In the year of our Lord 1784 August 10 day. I **Thomas Sanderson** son of the County & to record do hereby testify & wish of body but of perfect mind & memory, thanks be to God for the same. Therefore calling to mind that it is appointed for all men once to die do make & Ordain this my last will & Testament in manner & form following principally & first of all I recommend my soul into the hands of the Almighty God that first gave it me & committing my worldly Goods & Estate whereunto it hath pleased God to bless me with I do give & bequeath in manner & form following.

First I give & bequeath to my loving wife **Anne Sanderson** the use of the plantation whereon I now live during her natural life as to the rest of the said Estate I give the use of my said wife **Anne**, then to her son **John Sanderson** to him & his heirs forever, and in case my said son **John Sanderson** should die before his Mother or without lawfull heirs his body then to be equally divided between my two Daughters **Anne Sanderson** & **Lydia Sanderson** to them & their heirs forever.

I also Give & bequeath to said wife during her natural life the use of all that part of **Guys Quarter** land that I bought of my son **Thomas Sanderson** as is mentioned in a Bond for the conveyance of the same And also as may appear by deed for the said land & said quarter land And after the natural life of my said wife then to my son **John Sanderson** & his heirs forever, And in case my said son **John Sanderson** should die before his Mother or without lawfull heirs of his body then in that case to go to my P. Daughters **Anne** & **Lydia Sanderson**, and in case that either of my two Daughters **Anne Sanderson** & **Lydia Sanderson** should die without lawfull heirs of their body then to go to the surviving sister or the lawfull heirs of her body.

I also Give & bequeath unto my said wife during her natural life the use of one Negro Woman called **Janous**, also one Negro fellow called **Jupiter**, also one Negro woman called **Grace**, also one Negro fellow called **Quash** the use of each of the above Negroes during her natural life & after her decease three of which abovesaid Negroes namely **Jupiter**, **Quash** & **Grace** to go to my son **John Sanderson** & his heirs, & after the decease of my said son then in that case the other within mentioned Negro **Janous** to my said son to go to my Daughter **Julian Sanderson** & her heirs, Also I give to my son **John Sanderson** the use of three feather beds & furniture during her natural life.

Item I give unto my son **John Sanderson** one Feather Bed & furniture