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County of Cumberland. In an Upper Court of the County of Cumberland held at the
Court-house just for the County of Cumberland at the said
on the first day of April A.D. 1767
In Presence of His Majesties Justices.

The last Will & Testament of Stephen Williams late of the County of Cumberland
having been then & there exhibited in open Court, proved by the oaths
of all the subscribers whose names are in the form of Law, & Sarah Williams
and Howell Williams two of the Executors of the said Will having duly
qualified at the same time, the said Will was ordered to be registered &c.
of which upon it here follows. In hac Verba.

In the Name of God Amen, I Stephen Williams of the County of Cumberland
in the Province of North Carolina being in perfect Health & sound Memory do
publicly my last Will & Testament in the manner & form as follows. In the first
place I recommend my Soul to God the Ever and since it is appointed for
all men to die I recommend my Body to the Earth and for what worldly
Goods it has pleased God to bestow upon me I give & bequeath in manner
and form as follows. In the first place I desire all my lawful Debts to be paid
and also a Grave-yard to be built with Brick round me, my father, mother
and wife Graves my Executors to make the Brick, then Jack & Benjamin
to be hired out to pay the Brick-lager for building the said yard. Then
I lend the wife & use of Jack, Joseph & Samy to my wife during her
natural life not to be removed out of this County. Then I give to my Daughter
Mary Swann the Right of Jack, Joseph & Samy for my lifetime I give to
said Jack, Joseph & Samy land there increase for my Daughter Mary Swann
and her heirs. Then I give to my Daughter Mary Swann my part of a Piece of
Land in the head of Torrey's Creek called in the title of the Land
also I give to my Daughter Mary Swann four Acres of Land one Wood and
furniture. Then I lend the work & use of one Negroe Boy for my
own use follow. I recommend to my wife during her natural life not to
be removed of this house plantation and at her Death I give the Negroes
Thomas & Benjamin to my son Samuel Williams for him & his heirs for
ever. Then I give to my son Samuel Williams this plantation tract of Land
I now live on and also lands & tenements thereunto belonging the King's part and
plantation at Bull's Creek Bridge also the Land I bought of Campin. I give the
and also the plantation & Land I bought of Leonard living at the mouth of the
river also one hundred Acres of Land on the point against the plantation
I now live on at the above said Land. I recommend I give to them and his
heirs for ever. And if my son Samuel Williams should die without an
Heir & his body should be that my plantation Stephen Swann should have
the my manour plantation & all the Lands thereunto belonging also
the Bridge and if my son should die without an Heir as above mentioned
I give that to my Daughter Mary Swann should have all the part of mother's
I give the said Lands to her & her heirs. Then I give to my son Howell
Williams one negroe Man named Benjamin, one named Tom, one
named George, one called Colley, a negroe Woman called Perous, one
called Sarah & others. Increase also a Boy called Robin, one called Alister
all these

United By { Thomas Matthews }
 George Fletcher }
 Captain Davis }
 Winchester.

Cyrt. Warren. C.C.

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