

and seal the day and date above written before George Seale  
published and declared by the said John Morley her  
last will and testament in the presence of the  
Subscribers.

*John Morley Seal*

State of North Carolina

Negotia County January Term 1798,

This was the written will proved in open  
Court by the oaths of George Miller one of the Subscribers  
Witnesses thereto, and at the same time before John Morley  
and Thomas Sheller the Executors bound in the sum  
of £1000 before the Court and sealed according  
to law or made that follows is now accordingly  
Test. Wm. Deeks Esq. L.L.C.

In the Name of God Amen.

I David Wright of the County of Beaufort and State of North  
Carolina being far advanced in age & in low State of body  
Health but of sound mind despatching Mind & Memory thanks  
be to God for the same & Calling to mind that it is appointed  
once for all men to die howe thought it best to dispose of  
my worldly estate among my Heirs by making this my  
Will and be vouching all other former Wills by me made  
do make this my last Will and Testament in the manner and  
form following.

I first recommend my soul to God who gave it and my  
body to the dust from whence it came to be decently interred  
at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named and  
secondly that all my just debts shall be paid by my said  
Executors, and thirdly in order to more enable my wife  
the better to raise my small children and maintain them without  
her being obliged to charge them board and clothing, I do  
hereby will - my two old Negroes Anna & Nelly as also  
as the and the Executors their they will be of service to her  
and then be at the expence of the Estate. I then leave during  
her Natural life the lands & houses on Ex parte the land  
I bought of Brother Thos. Wright and that until my  
son David Wright becomes of lawful age on condition

that she consents to have it rented out in such manner as she thinks  
may then best & convenient for the following named Negroes, Mrs.  
Boister Easter Millie, Lucrecia & Sock and Nelly which she has  
liberty to keep at home & her (or any part of them) and also my  
household Kitchen furniture all such as she cannot well  
be without so as to enable her to give a bed & furniture to each  
child when they marry or become of lawful age. I give her  
to dispose of as she pleases. my new gig harness and my old horse  
called Marley and his Driver of less of the Mules. It is my will that  
a part of the crop & stock & provision as will be sufficient for  
her and family to be left unbold until a new crop comes in  
June 1<sup>st</sup> & give to my son Thos. Wright the Negro & Mow which  
she has already received by due of gift also the furniture given  
her to him in addition to this I give him my negro boy person  
to him & his heirs forever Item 2<sup>nd</sup> I give to my son John Wright  
the Money he has already received & him in addition to this  
the Negro & the hardware received. I also give him at my death  
my Negro boy Boston and one hundred dollars for his attendance  
on me while on my sick bed.

Item 3<sup>rd</sup> I give to my daughter Mary C. Beach wife of James B. Beach  
the Negroes Mow and furniture she has already received & to  
my Grandson Williams Beach her Son. I give & bequeath  
my Negro boy named to him and his heirs forever.

Item 4<sup>th</sup> I give to my daughter Rebecca E. Strook wife of Thos. Strook  
the Negroes she has in possession by due of gift and the furniture  
she has received and twenty dollars to buy a house if she  
thinks proper to put it to that use to her and her forever.

Item 5<sup>th</sup> I give to my Daughter Charlotte Wright my negro girls Julia,  
Nannah and Sally and one hundred dollars to buy her a house  
also one bed bedstead & furniture to her and her heirs forever.

Item 6<sup>th</sup> I give to my son David Wright my land that I bought of my  
Brother Thos. Wright the boundaries of which may be obtained by  
referring to the deed also my young black woman also one  
bed and furniture & bedstead to her and his heirs forever.

Item 7<sup>th</sup> I give to my son Isaac Wright all the balance of my land  
at the death of his mother also one bed bedstead & furniture  
and one hundred dollars to receive when Mr. Morris or  
Laurie dies & goes to him and his heirs forever.

Blew 5<sup>th</sup> & gave to my two little daughters, Eliza Smith Wright &  
Kittie Brown Wright the following negroes & property Mary Davis long  
Maria Ghee and Evaline & Edward also one bed bedstead &  
furniture to each of them and their heirs forever also my  
will & desire that if the Executors shall be unable to sell  
ever pay my debts to justice with the judgment of Nine  
against John D. Wright to be in the Superior Court of this County  
as so much as can be collected in time that they reserve  
from sale the following negroes George Stephen & Calvin  
which Negroes we took care and had a knowledge of I give  
George to my daughter Patsy C. Wright Stephen to my son  
David Wright and Calvyn to my son Isaac Wright  
to them and their heirs forever.

At my death as soon as is convenient after the first Court  
my Executors may advertise for sale at six months end  
My Negro Woman Sally & Child I desire & if found necessary  
the other three sume together with a half part of the crop stock  
& provinng. House hold & Kitchen furniture plantation  
tools &c. as may be together thought advisable to be by the  
Executors & my wife to pay my just debts. At the death  
of my wife all the property bound her. shot may be left  
on the plantation to be sold to the highest bidder & equally  
divided among all my children that are then living and if  
any be dead to his or her children as ashes or his or her portion  
would amount to had he or she been living. & any of my  
children unmarried or married die without lawfull  
issue then and in that case the daughters part to be divided  
among my daughters & if Male his share be equally divided  
among my Sons. lastly I can appoint and appoint giving  
them full authority to act as such my beloved and  
trusty Sons Thos. H. Wright and Joe Wright my  
lawful Executors this & ordain to be my last will &  
testament in witness whereof this day 13<sup>th</sup> March 1827.  
and affix my seal (March 13<sup>th</sup> 1827)

Test William Hodges  
Wilson Hodges

D. Wright (Seal)

Sale of N. Carolina of  
Sugden County 2<sup>d</sup> April Term 1827.

He was the widow Will founded in open Court  
in due form of law by the costs of Wm Hodges and Wilson Hodges  
the Subscribing Ministers shire and at the same time John  
Wright qualified as Ex. Execut. Under what better Person.

Sup'r Pease and Clark

In the Name of God Amen. The second day of June in the year of  
our Lord Christ one thousand seven hundred and Ninety — —  
I John Williams of the County of Sugden & State of N. Carolina do  
being at present in a good state of Health and sound Mind &  
Memory thank Be to God for the same therefore calling unto mind  
the Mortality of my Body &知悉 that it is apparent for all  
Men once to die I therefore do make and this my last Will  
Testament that is to say principally & first I give and second  
my Slave in the house of God that gave it. I give my Body I do  
bequeath it to the earth & be buried in a Christian & decent  
manner at the discretion of my Executors. Notwithstanding  
but at the general Resurrection that I shall receive the same  
again by the mighty power of God & ascending thence nobly  
estate when with it God pleased God to Bless me with in this  
life. I give despatch of the sum in the following manner & form  
that is to say — —

I now ent my well beloved wife Priscilla Williams widow  
her late life the Manners plantation wherow I have less  
as the most Benefit & pris Negro slaves or servants to Mr.  
Hall, Sander, Charles Cook & James to work and labor on the  
plantation of the poor only & less master & if not one or  
more of them to be held over for the time of one year or the  
people to employ my wife said and release my children  
whom my Will shall mention & direct & it's my will  
& desire likewise that my wife have the use and  
Benefit of my Negro Woman Caesar Rachamill  
my Son John is twenty one years old & desire him  
to have the use and benefit of those horses or mense  
two Cows & Calf from Slaves from Sons & Pigs & all the