

my wife all the remainder part of my stock of every kind and house hold furniture and the money arising from such sale to be equally divided between all my daughters and one of my grand-daughters to wit Mary Horrell and Sarah Cherry & Nancy Bizzell and Elizabeth Goodman & Patsie Horrell & Rachel Woodard and Nancy Rogers my will and desire that my Exors do keep the money I leave to Nancy Rogers on interest until she comes of age and distribute the same to her. And I do hereby constitute and appoint Hardy Bizzell & Isaac Bizzell my Exors to my last will and testament. And I do here by give them full power and authority to execute the same. This August the 6th day 1800 Signed sealed published and declared in the presence of
 699 Wm. Dunkan Nancy Bizzell James Burmark - his
 William & Bizzell
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State of North Carolina

Duplin County.

April Term 1784

Then was the within will proved in open Court in due form of Law by the oaths of Fleet Cooper & Wright Royal two of the subscribing witnesses thereto and at the same time Arthur Brown and Sherad Brown two of the Exors named in the said will came before the Court and qualified by taking the oath of an Exor according to Law ordered that letters issued accordingly

Edward. Dickson C.C. In the name of God Amen I Edward Brown of the County of Duplin and State of North Carolina being of perfect mind and memory calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for men once to die, do make and ordain this my last will and 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 to the earth etc. 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 where with it has pleased God to bless me in this life I give demise and dispose of the same of the following manner and form. First I give and bequeath in return of my beloved son Arthur Brown. Two hundred and twenty five acre of land in sd County on the east side of great Coker's Creek being part of a purchase I made from John Sampson and part of a purchase from John Turner in the whole six hundred

& twenty acre binding between my land and Simeon Sumner land
 beginning at a pine in John Sumner land being the bounded of
 Simeon Sumner land thence along Sumner line to John Sumners
 line thence along S^d line to a Hickory near the end of a branch
 thence down S^d branch to the mouth against another branch making
 to the Lane eastward which my plantation lies joining and
 thence along the side of the larger branch westward, down to
 where it runs into a large marsh branch to a small port
 thence along the stream or water course to the marsh branch
 lying on the north side of the same to a mark maple thence
 down the run or side of the same to the party of four white
 oak standing near together on a point of high land thence
 along side of mark trees to a pine standing at the head
 of a branch called Reedy branch making into Great Cohary
 thence down S^d branch to the mouth of the same to the side of
 Great Cohary swamp to a mark gum thence along ^{the} ~~the~~
 line of elms trees to black gum at the run thence down
 the run to the bounds of Simeon Sumner land according to my
 deed from John Sumner thence along a line of mark trees to a
 poplar on the run of S^d marsh branch thence up the run to
 the mouth of the dividing branch thence up the same it being
 the dividing line between Simeon Sumner land and mine
 accord to my deed etc Likewise - Likewise I give and bequeath
 in return to my beloved son Sherrod Munn, Two hundred and
 seventy five acre of land more or less the north side of the marsh
 branch joining Mrs S^d Looles Land. Likewise to my dear beloved wife Prudence
 Munn. I leave ^{my} my plantation and the lands belong to the same on
 the north side of S^d Marsh during her natural life and after her
 decease to my son Sherrod with my still. Likewise to S^d Sherrod the
 stock of cattle in the care of John Suggs at this time at present
 Peter Vigt one dish one basin & six plates. Likewise to my daughter
 Susanah I give one feather bed and furniture, six pewter plates one
 pewter dish & one pewter basin Likewise to my daughter Mournig
 I give one feather bed and furniture, six pewter plates one pewter
 dish and one pewter basin and a stock of cattle in the care of
 Williams Smith and another in care of Amos Rummals to be divided
 between my S^d daughter Susanah & Mournig equally. and the
 rest of my estate within does and without ^{all} ~~its~~ profits and

I leave to the use of my beloved wife during her natural life and
 afterward to be equally divided between S^r Sherrill Lusenah &
 Mourning. I leave twenty shillings to my daughter Emma Stevens
 I hereby make and ordain my friend Hardy Stevens and my
 son Arthur Brown and my son Sherrill Brown Exrs to this my
 last will and testament. Sealed with my seal and date May 12th
 1784 Signed, sealed published & declared in presence of Eliot Cooper &
 928 William H. Butler ^{his} Mark Wright Ryals Edward Brown

State of North Carolina
 Duplin County }

July Court 1783

Then was the within proved in open Court in due form of law by
 the oath of Robert Bell and Jesse Bell two of the subscribing
 witnesses thereto and at the same time Thomas Coggins one
 of the Exrs named in the said will came before the Court
 and Qualified by taking the oath of an Executor according
 to Law Ordered that letters may issue accordingly by Dist
 Wm. Dickson C. C. In the name of God Amen. I John Bell
 of the County of Duplin in the State of North Carolina Being
 very sick and weak but of sound mind & disposing memory
 thanks to the almighty God for that and all other mercies conferred
 upon me and being desirous to settle my worldly Estate
 do give and dispose of the same in manner and form following
 and first desire that my just debts and funeral expenses be first
 paid my Impresors. I give demise and bequeath to my son Thomas
 Bell the lower part of the land I live on to begin at the lower
 corner of the plantation and thence run a straight line to black
 branch including all the lower part of said tract of land to
 him his heirs and assigns for ever. Item I give demise and bequeath
 to my son Archibald Bell the upper part of the aforesaid
 tract of land beginning at the mouth of Black Branch &
 running a straight line up said branch to the back line
 to him his heirs assigns for ever. Item I give demise and bequeath
 to my son John Bell the remainder of the said land with
 the plantation and improvements to him his heirs assigns for ever
 Item I give devise and bequeath to my said three sons all the rest
 and remainders of my lands to be equally divided amongst them
 their heirs and assigns for ever. Item I give and bequeath