

unto my beloved son Arthur Branch one hundred dollars in cash when it is convenient to be paid out of the estate I do also give and bequeath unto my son Rubin Branch one negro as the value there of in money or other property and if the sd negro name sell should have any increase breeding ones after this date they are to be equally divided among the whole of the heirs and as for the house hold and kitchen furniture afit down of the matter it is to be equally divided between Benjamin Branch and Bryant Branch my two youngest sons and and after pay my my just debts of the before mentioned property. I do acknowledge this to be my last will and testament and witness where of I have here unto this day set my hand and affixed my seal in the presence of us this 19th day of May 1819

Attest James Sufford ^{my} James Williams Archibald ^{his} Branch ^{mark} seal
 x 527 Rubin Branch & Archibald Branch qualified Exrs of the will —

State of North Carolina
 Duplin County

April Term 1801

Then was the last will and testament of Emanuel Bowyer proved in open Court in due form of Law by oath of Timothy Leachey one of the subscribing witnesses thereto and at the same time Timothy Leachey one of the Executors named in the said will came before the Court and qualified as such according to Law ordered that letters issue accordingly Test William Dickson & C
 In the name of God amen. I Emanuel Bowyer of the State of North Carolina Duplin County being of perfect mind and memory Blessed be to God Calling to mind the uncertainty of human life and knowing it is appointed for all men once to die make and ordain that be my last will and testament in manner and form viz. First I recommend my soul to God the following that give it to me and my body to have a Christian like burial at the discretion of my Exrs here after to be named Secondly I will and ordain that my Exrs do sell so much of the most perishable part of my property as will satisfy all my just and funeral expenses Thirdly. I will and bequeath to my beloved wife my beloved wife Mary Bowyer all my stock of Cattle and one horse and saddle and bridle and house hold furniture and one note of hand for thirty dollars (pounds). Fourthly I will and bequeath to my son

Emanuel
 Bowyer

in law marry Parker, the one part of my Land containing one hundred acres or indian branch survey of sixty seven acres joining the hundred acre survey on the so side. To have the house now stands to him and his heirs for ever and only and that my beloved wife Mary Bowzer to have quite portions during her life. Fifthly I will and bequeath to my son in law Henry Allen, one part of my Land containing one hundred and forty ^{five} acres part of my survey I bot of John Cook and on the north side of indian branch including the plantation the said Henry Allen cleared the upper part of the said survey to him and his heirs for ever. Sixthly I will and bequeath to my son in law Jacob Wells one hundred and five acres of the lower part of the above mentioned survey. I bot of Cook joining Henry Allins and also one survey of fifty acres on both sides of Island Creek that I bot of Frederick Wells to him and his heirs for ever. Seventhly I will and ordain that one horse and two saddles and all my plantation tools of every kind to be equally divided amongst my three sons in law Hardy Parker, Henry Allen and Jacob Wells. Eighthly ^{Lucie} to my wife one loom and one Llay. Lastly I constitute and appoint my beloved wife Mary Bowzer Executor and Timothy Teachey Executor of this my last will and testament revoking all other wills here to fore made by me in testimony here of. I have here unto set my hand this the 21st day of June 1790. Signed sealed published in the presence of us. At Timothy Teachey and Lucie Gil stop

Emanuel ^{his} Bowzer
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July Term 1791

Then was the will proved in open Court by the oath of Thomas Phillips and Ephraim Boyt two of the subscribing witnesses thereto ordered the said will to be read. Test Men Disson &c In the name of God Amen. I Samuel Boyt of the County of Duplin State of North Carolina being sick but of sound mind and perfect memory Thanks be to God for the same calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing that my body, and that it is appointed for all men once to die I therefore make this my last will and testament. First of all I recommend my soul to God that guard and