

of my wife there may be made out of the residue of my estate
 the sum of two hundred and ninety one dollars, and two
 thirds of which said sum I give and bequeath in the following
 manner (To wit) To my daughter Charity Wright one hundred &
 twenty five dollars. To my daughter Sarah Lemigan one hundred
 and twenty five dollars. To my daughter Mary Ann Selocum
 forty one & two third dollars to be made out of my estate by
 my Exrs and paid by them to the above Legatee—(Itm)
 My will and desire that the whole of the remaining part of my
 estate be equally divided amongst the following children
 (To wit) William John Charity Elizabeth Sarah Mary Ann
 Ann & Mary (Itm) And I do here by nominate and or-
 dain and appoint my loving sons William Beck John
 Beck & Stephen Beck Exrs of this my last will & testament
 I do here by revoke and disannul all and Every other will or
 wills be me here to fore made or declaring this and only to
 be my last will and testament in witness whereof I have
 here unto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and
 year above written. Signed sealed published and declared
 in the presence of Jos Sunderlin John Fort & Linton
 John Beck (Seal)

State of North Carolina
 Duplin County

Duly Court 1781

The Worshippful the Justices sd. Then was the will in. exhibited
 into Court and proved in due form of Law by the oath of
 William Sharpleer one of the subscribing Endorsed Thereto, and
 the said will be filed and at the same Felix Henan Esquire one of
 the executors named in said will came before the court and qual-
 ified by taking the oath of an executor according to Law ordered
 that letters issue accordingly. Test Wm Dickson. C. C.

In the name of God Amen. I Howell Blackmore of Spring
 Hall at the Welch Tract in the County of New Hanover in North
 Carolina being in good health and perfect memory (Blessed be God)
 do this the Tenth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand
 seven hundred & Eighty one, make and published this my last
 will and testament. In manner following (That is to say) I pro-
 mise I give to my son Edward Blackmore the plantation

where on I now live. Item I give and bequeath to my son Edward a lot of ground in the town of Wilmington in Dock Street formally purchased of Joseph Waters and also the one moiety of three acres of land on the island opposite to the town of Wilmington formally purchased of Robert & John Hogg. Item I give and bequeath to my son Edward Blackmore two hundred acres of land in New Hanover County adjoining the plantation where on George Mc Gowen now lives. I give to my daughter Mary Blackmore all the land I formally purchased of M. Lloyd and also the moiety of three acres of land on the island opposite to the town of Wilmington formally purchased of Robert and John Hogg. Item I give and bequeath to my said daughter Mary two hundred acres of land on the north side of the house where on Thomas Armstrong now lives and also one hundred and fifty acres where on Thomas Armstrong now lives after his (Thomas Armstrongs) death or removing from the same. Item I give and bequeath to my son Edward Blackmore and my daughter Blackmore all my negroes cattle horses sheep dogs money bonds notes book accounts and other my personal estate to be divided equally between my said son Edward & daughter Mary Blackmore share & share alike the said division to be made when my said daughter shall be of age or on the day of her marriage. The following legacies and other necessary expenses be first deducted. Item I give and bequeath to my Father in Law Felix Kenan a silver watch now in his possession and also a gold ring with a stone. The following device. Thy hearts linked together. Item I give and bequeath to my mother in Law a plain gold ring with the following motto. Virtue be your guide and also it is my request that she (Catharine Kenan) has the care of my children. Item I give and bequeath to William Kenan a silver hilt of a sword now in his possession my silver shoe and knee buckles and all my evening apparel. Item I give and bequeath to Felix Hill two cows & calves and ten ewes. Item I give and bequeath to John Hill a mourning ring with the names of Harrell and Nancy Blackmore on the same. The said ring to be purchased. Item I give and bequeath to mistress Jane Hill two dining tables and a desk with eagle claws but. Item I give and bequeath to Catharine Hill a pair of plain gold earrings. Item I give and bequeath to Rose Kenan now in England one negro boy name Hector, fifty Pomeles Shilling, with two good butts &

of broadcloth cloaks to girth with shirts shoes and other clothing in proportion the cloaths to be purchased and the whole to be paid him on his arrival (if living) Item I will & request that all debts & demands contracted by the said Rose Kenan for Education board and clothing while in England may be discharged & paid I make ordain constitute and appoint Felix Kenan Esq^r M^{rs} Kenan and John Hill all of Duplin County. To be Executors to be in trust of my said son and daughter Edward and Mary Blackmore & that they shall retain all expenses and charges what so ever incurred relative to their said trust. In witness where of I the said Samuel Blackmore have to this my last will and testament set my hand and seal the day and year above given written. Signed sealed and delivered by the testator and for his last will and testament in presence of us who were present at the signing and sealing of the same W. H. Haples. David Coome. Skerrall Blackmore (Seal)

In the name of God Amen. The fiftenth day of April in the year of our Lord 1762 I William Blackborne of North Carolina and county of Duplin planter. Being very sick and wear in body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be given to God for the same and calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing it is appointed for man once to die make and ordain this my last will and testament that is to say principally first of all give and recommend my soul into the hands of God that gave it and for my body recommend to the earth to be buried in a christian like manner at the direction of my Exors nothing devoting but at the general resurrection shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God and as looking such modesty estate others with it hath pleased God to bless me in ^{this} life. I give demise and appoint of the same in manner and form following that is to say in the first place I give and bequeath to Lucy Haddock my eldest son both my plantations on the west side of Cohony the one that I now live on containing contain four hundred acres and the other contain fifty in manner & form appointed. I have with with all the right privelages and appurtenances there into belong or in any way appurtenance and having in my self full power and lawful authority to dispose of ~~same~~ ^{the} and do here by do warrant secure and defend the same from all lawful demands of any

Wm
Blackborne

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