

family with all the tenderness of Parental affection and the authority of a Father to be at peace one with another and not to enter into disputes or law suits about what I may leave. Lastly I hereby revoke and disannul all former or other wills declaring this and no other to be my last will and testament, in witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal this 28th day of Oct- 1807. Signed, Sealed, published and decreed by the said Francis Oliver to be his last Will and Testament in presence of: Levin Watkins. Levin Watkins Jr. Francis Oliver. *(Seal)*

State of N^c Carolina }
Duplin County } January Term 1808.
There was the within will proved in Court in due form of law by the oath of Levin Watkins Sen^r one of the subscribing witnesses to the said will - and at the same time Sarah Oliver the Executor and David Hornigay an Executor named in the said will came before the Court and qualified as such according to Law - Ordered that letters issue accordingly.

Test. W^m Dickson C.C.

North Carolina } In the Name of God Amen I Jethro
Duplin County } Oate of the county and province for
said. Being sick in body but of perfect mind
thanks be given to god for it and knowing that
it is appointed for all men once to die do make
and ordain this my last will and testament
that is to say I recommend my soul into the
hands of God that gave it. my Body to be
buried in a Christian like manner nothing
doubting but at the general Resurrection I shall
receive the same by his mighty power. Item I
give and Bequeath to my Eldest daughter Lydia
Storrs. Ben and Julia - Five cows and yearlings
one Feather bed and furniture to her and her

heirs for ever having them in their possession. Item
I give and Bequeath to my next Eldest daughter
Mary Oate King Simon and Grace soon come &
two a year old steer one Feather bed and furniture
in her possession to her and her heirs forever. I bequeath
to my beloved wife Betsha Oate all the rest of
my Estate Lands tenements Negroes goods and
cloaths to her during of her natural life or
widowhood. Not to be removed out of the county
and afterwards to be equally divided amongst my
six children hereunder named Jethro Oate, Jethro
Oate, Elizabeth Oate, Michael Oate, Susannah Oate
and John Oate, and to be equally divided by my
surviving Executors, Betsha Oate. Stephen King. Roger
Snell, Mocha King. Signed, Sealed and decreed in
the presence of us the 30th day of August 1781.
James Oate.

Jethro Oate *(Seal)*

State of N^c Carolina }
Duplin County } Jan'y Term 1780
There was the within will proved in open court
in due form of law by the oath of Stephen
King and James Oate two of the subscribing
witnesses thereto, and ordered to be recorded.
Test. W^m Dickson C.C.

In the Name of God Amen I William Parker
being sick in body but of perfect mind and
reason thanks be to god for it do make constitute
and ordain this my last will and testament
disannulling and disavowing any other will or
wills made heretofore and first I leave my soul
to God who gave it and my Body to the earth
to be buried in such a decent manner
as ^{my} Executors hereafter mentioned shall think fit.
Item I give to my daughter Mary Jackson one
shilling sterling to be paid out of my Estate.
Item I give to my loving granddaughter Esther