

saddle. I also give and bequeath unto my son Frederick Graddy all the Land and plantation whereon I now live Excepting the time ^{that} I have lent it to my loving wife to him and his heirs for ever. I also give and bequeath unto my loving son Frederick Graddy all the Remainder part of my house hold goods Stock of horses cattle and Hogs, Blacksmith Tools, and all the Remainder part of my Estate he first paying all the Legacies to his Brothers and sisters heretofore mentioned. I also leave my son Frederick Graddy to be my Executor of this my last Will and Testament Disannulling and Revoking all other wills, By me made and acknowledging this to be my last will and Testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and fixed seal this Ninth Day of February 1773. Let William Whitfield, Bryan Whitfield.

John ^{his} _{mark} Graddy (Seal 3)

State of N^c Carolina } April Term 1787.

Duplin County } Thus was the within will proved in open Court in due form of law by the Oath of Bryan Whitfield one of the subscribing Witnesses thereto. and at the same time, Frederick Graddy the Executor named in the said Will came before the Court and Qualified by taking the Oath of an Executor according to law. ~ Ordered that letters issue accordingly.

Test W^m Mickens C.C.

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In the name of God Amen I John Gray of the parish of N^c Carolina and County of Duplin Being sick and weak in Body but of sound mind and memory calling to mind the uncertainty of this Life in that it hath pleased the Almighty God to appoint a time for all men to die. Do make and ordain this my Last will and Testament in manner and form following, That is to say I leave and bequeath my Body to the dust to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executors herein after named and my Soul to God that gave it Hoping for a favorable reception into the mansions of Eternal Felicity through the merits of my dear Redeemer Jesus Christ. N^c 1. I leave and bequeath

unto my loving wife Elizabeth Gray the Plantation whereon
 I now live with the plantation tools and all my stock of
 Cattle and Hogs not otherwise disposed of. This my last
 will and Testament I bequeath (???) natural Life.
 I leave and bequeath unto my son Thomas Gray one half of
 my Land where I now live lying West. the poor swamp to
 be divided By a straight Line from Burton to Stokes Line.
 one feather Bed and furniture. My Cooper Tools and one
 two or three year old Hifer. Next I leave and bequeath unto
 my son Wm Gray my small mare with what Suckers
 she may have as also the first Living Child that my negro
 Girl Pleasant may have, whether male or female, also
 one feather Bed and furniture and one two or three year old
 Hifer. Next I leave unto my daughter Ellen Gray my
 Negro Girl Pleasant after my wife's death, one feather Bed
 and furniture, and one two or three year old Hifer and one
 Box Smoothing Iron. and Next, I leave unto son James
 Gray the other half of the plantation I now live on, one
 feather Bed, and furniture and one two or three year old
 Hifer. And Lastly my will is that my present crop of
 Corn and the remainder of my household and kitchen fur-
 niture and all other (??) of (??) furniture or apparel not
 otherwise discharged of be and remain the property of my said
 wife Elizabeth Gray wishing that she may appropriate as much
 thereof as it may please God to Enable her toward Educating my
 said Children Thomas, William, Ellen and James, and Lastly I
 Name, Constitute and appoint my wife Elizabeth Gray, my Friend
 Andrew M^r Luterie and James Gillespie Executors of this my
 Last will and Testament hereby Approving and Signing all with
 and all manner of form or other words, in Testimony whereof
 I have hereunto set at my hand and affixed my seal the 3rd
 day of Jan 1781. Signed sealed and Pronounced in presence
 of W. B. Before signing the words (after my wife's death in the
 25th Line Intending and in the 32nd Line the words not
 otherwise disposed of. Thomas ^{his} Johnston (??) ^{his} Bell.
 Arabella M^r Luterie. John Gray. ^{mark} Seal. }
 State of N^c Carolina } April Court 1781.
 Duplin County } There was the within Will proved in

open Court in due form of law by the oath of Thomas Johnston and Arabella Mc Intire two of the subscribing Witnesses thereto, and at the same time Elizabeth Gray one of the Executors named in the said will came before the Court and Qualified by Taking the oath of all Executors according to Law &c. Ordered that Letters issue accordingly. X

Test W^m Dickson C. C.

In the name of God amen. I Samuel Gavin Being sick But of Sound mind and memory and calling to mind the uncertainty of this transitory life do make this my Last will and Testament viz: First I resign my Soul to almighty God that gave it + my Body to the Ground to be decently buried as my Executors Hereafter named shall direct &c. and as for my worldly Estate that it hath pleased God to bless me with I leave in manner and form following that is to say. I leave and Bequeath to my beloved wife Patience Gavin the use of all and singular my Lands, meadows, Houses as follows &c But upon her death or Enter marriage or the arrival at the age of twenty one years of my son John Gavin I give + Bequeath to said John my son the Plantation whereon I now live with all the appurtenances therunto belonging as albes one Negro Boy named Cuff &c. And as for the Rest of my Estate I give and Bequeath to my beloved sons Samuel, Lewis, + Charles. Gavin, to Be equally divided Except their mother's third &c. and lastly I nominate and appoint my beloved wife Patience Gavin + my beloved friend Thomas Carrill Executors of this my last will and testament. Signed + Sealed this 21st Day of December 1761. in the presence of us. Henry Hollingsworth James Baker.

Samuel ^{his} X ^{mark} Gavin. Seal

In the name of God amen. I James Green of the County of Duplin and State of North Carolina being of perfect mind + 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