

In the Name of God Amen.

I John Thomson of Newbern County and State of North Carolina being sick and weak of Body but of sound perfect Mind memory thanks to God for the same and calling to mind the Mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make ordain and constitute and appoint this to be my last will and testament that is to say First of all I recommend my soul to God that gave it me and my Body to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executor nothing doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God. And calling to mind the Worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased Almighty God to provide for me in this life do bequeath the same in the following manner that is to say —

Item I give and bequeath unto my Cousin Lewis Morris one thousand acres of Land including the Plantation wherow I now live.

I also will give unto Elizabeth Moore four hundred and twenty five acres of land including a certain Plantation wharson Rish Runnale now lies also a certain Brown's Horse known by the Name of Leopan —

Item I give also unto my Cousin Joseph Moon my Riding Mares — also give unto my Cousin James Moon a certain Negro Wench named Senus

And all the rest of my Property both real and personal that I possess or to be equally divided between my legatees often mentioned

And I hereby ordain my worthy Friends Neddy Holme and David Dadd Esq to this my last will and Testament be witness whereof I the said John Thomson have set this my last Will and Testament before my hand and seal this third day of May, 1786

Signed sealed published and declared by the said John Thomson as his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who were present at the time of signing — ^{Witness} John Thomson Esq
Neddy Holme

William Givens
J. A. Thompson

State of North Carolina July 2nd 1786.

Newbern County. This was the will pronounced open and read in Court by the court of Justice Moon and James Johnson two of the Subscribing Witnesses thereto and after sometime James the said Justice Moon and the Executors named in the said Will came before the Court and sealed and registered as such according to law orders that herein were accordingly

Test. Wm. Morrison & Co.

In the Name of God Amen.

I Catharine Taylor of the County of Newbern and State of North Carolina widow living at home ~~and~~ and perfect mind and memory blessed by God but Calligraphy to mind the uncertainty of man and being desirous to settle my affairs do moreover Ordain this to be my last Will and Testament

First I Commit my soul to God who gave it me and my body to the dust to be decently buried at the discretion of my executors hereafter to be named as for my worldly goods I dispose of them as follows

Item I give and bequeath to my two Grand Sons William Rhoads and Taylor Rhoads each of them a feather Bed bedstead and Furniture, two long Peter dishes and four Short Barrels to be so equally divided between them as may be without selling any of my Riding beast two iron pots and a frying pan

Item I Give and bequeath to my Granddaughter Catherine Barfield one large Teacher bed Bedstead and Furniture, a sofa with what it contains a table and chest, one small butter dish and two large Basins and also all the utensil and remainder of my property of every kind not especially above mentioned

And further I hereby constitute and appoint my trusty friends John Rhoads and Mrs. Barfield to execute this my last Will and Testament and do hereby vest them with full power to pay all my lawful and just debts and to see that my legacies be disposed of Accordingly and I hereby revoke and disannul all former or other Wills and declaring this to be my last Will and Testament be witness