

Daphne County.

June Term 1826.

There was the within Will proved in open Court by the oaths of Chief Justice and Solomon Bessley the subscribing Witness thereto and at the same time George E. Houston the Executor Qualified as such. Ordered that letters issue.

Test. Jas. Parnall C. J.

North Carolina } Thomas Jacobson and Sarah Jacobson both made oath upon the holy scriptures of almighty God that Thomas Williams deceased when he lay upon his death bed but in his proper senses that Charles Butler should have all his things at his decease. Sworn to before me. John Williams Esquire. October 26th day 1770.

In the Name of God Amen. I Margaret Withinsow of Orange County Widow being wise of Body free of sound and perfect mind and memory praised be God for the same do make this my last will and Testament in manner and form following. First and principally I commend my soul into the hands of almighty God my Creator Hoping through the merits of Jesus Christ to obtain pardon and Remission of all my sins and to inherit everlasting life and my body I commit to the Earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named in the County of Orange as near to the bodies of my late dear husband and child as conveniently may be. I will order and direct that all such just debts as I shall owe at the time of my decease shall be paid and satisfied and whosoever is seized in fee of and in Outlaw lands owned and requested to me for work and labor done by Robert German late of Orange County lying and being near Lockhart Swamp now in occupation of John German one of the late Robert. I give give and bequeath the same to my

son David Sullivan his heirs and assigns forever. Then I give and bequeath unto my said son David Sullivan one Bay one cow and one black sheep which is at Mr. White's a spinning wheel bed sheet and table at John German's house forty shillings four barrels of corn seven yards of linen two pairs of stockings all left to me by the last will and testament of the said Robert German. Then I give and bequeath to my said son David Sullivan one cow and calf red & white one Heifer with the first calf a bull & yearling heifer white backed a large bundle of Heifer with increase forever. Then I give and bequeath unto my granddaughter of my son Richard Beckett at Sydenham Creek all my body apparel that is today our Calamans gown our country cloth gown one blue and white calico gown a black silk crepe Petticoat and four yards of sky blue Linnen a pair of worsted stockings one pair of home spun stockings a blue cloak and one mill and I declare also is that my said Executor and Trustees their executors their Executors or administrators shall not be charged or chargeable with or accountable or or responsible for or liable to make good any loss that I shall happen in the managing or disposal of my estate or any part thereof. He and they respectively acting bona fide and according to the best of his and their discretion. Then I nominate constitute and appoint my good friend William Houston Sole Executor of this my last will & Testament and Lastly I do hereby revoke disannul and make void all other wills Bequests and Legacies by me at any time heretofore made requested or given and do make and declare this to be my last will and Testament In witness whereof I the said Margaret Withinsow the Testatrix have to this my last will and Testament set my hand and seal this 27th day of August Anno Domini 1761. Signed, Sealed, published and

Declared by the above Margaret Wilson
the Testimony to be her last will and Testament in
the Presence of us who subscribe our names as
witnesses in her presence.

Thos Harley

Domens Dracks

William Davidson

Margret^{his} Wilson
mark

W. H. H.

In the name of God amen. I John Ward son
of the Province of North Carolina and County of
Duplin County, being of sound perfect mind and
memory do to God for the same feel willing to mind
the mortality of my body knowing that it is appointed
to all men once to die do constitute make &
ordain this my last will and Testament in
manner and form following way. Principally
first of all give my soul into the hands of Almighty
God that gave it me and my body to the earth
to be buried in a decent Christian burial at the
direction of my Executors hereafter named. Nothing
doubting but at the general resurrection I shall
recover the same again by the mighty power of
God. And as touching such worldly Estate as it
 hath pleased God of his --- mercies to bless me
with in this life I do dispose of in the following
manner and form. First I will that all my just
debts and funeral charges be cleared and discharged.
Then I do give and bequeath to my son Sampson
Ward one cow and calf and all that I have grown
here that he has and has had to him and his heirs
forever. Then I do give and bequeath to my son James
Ward one cow and calf one feather bed and bolster one
dish and basin and two plates all now in his
possession to him his heirs forever. Then I do give
and bequeath to my son John Ward one cow
and calf one feather bed & one bolster and
dish one basin and two plates to him and his
heirs forever. Then I do give and bequeath to my

daughter Sarah Ward one cow and calf one
bed and calf in some certain days they and
their increase two ewes and lambs they and
their increase one feather bed & bolster & furniture
and bequeath one large pot one chest one iron
box and heaters, one Linen wheel, one wallow
wheel and one small trunk, one dish, one basin
and two plates one quater Sautard one dozen
tea cups and saucers & two sows and pigs to
she and her heirs forever. Then I do give and
bequeath to my well beloved wife Jane Ward one
feather bed and furniture and bequeath one chest
one large black horse saddle bridle and bit,
one plow and gun one small horse, saddle,
bridle and halter one plow and gun one chest
and wheel one Linen wheel one pot and frying
pan two harrow axes, one broad ax to working
logs, one grubbing bar all the rest of my furniture
not yet mentioned, all rest of my cattle, hogs
and sheep, not yet mentioned & all my gun, and
all the rest of my Estate not herein mentioned,
also the place where I now live I lived here
during her natural life to she and her heirs for
ever. Then I give and bequeath to my son
James Ward I part of the plantation whereof I now
live beginning on a Chestnut oak in Smiths
Swamp and running along a row of mark
trees to a great pine near a small branch thence
the same course to the branch thence up the
branch to the head to the red line thence along
the red line to Smiths swamp thence down the
various courses of the swamp to the beginning to
him and his heirs (after my wife's death) forever.
Then I do give and bequeath to my son James Ward
jr (after my wife's death) the remainder of my
land and plantation, to him and his heirs forever.
And further I do appoint my beloved wife Jane
Ward and my son James Ward Executors of this my