

bequeath as followeth viz: The whole of my
Land and Estate of Cattle, horse, and hogs Tools and
furniture I Leave to my wife Elizabeth until
during her life in widowhood and at her decease
or at the expiration of her widowhood my will
is that the whole of my Estate Land cattle horse
and hogs and tools and house furniture fall
to my son William Merrill after paying my just
Debts and necessary Expenses. Lastly I constitute
and appoint my wife Elizabeth my and my brother
in law Thomas Garrison Executors to this my last
will and testament Given under my hand and
seal in the year of our Lord and Saviour the
thousand seven hundred and ninety four. On the
twentyeth Day of December. Signed, Sealed, and Delivered
in presence of us: - Jos. William Farrow, Daniel Southwell

Joseph Merrill. Seal

State of N^c Carolina } January Term 1795.
Duplin County }

There was the within will proved in open Court by
the oath of William Farrow one of the subscribing
witnesses thereto. and at the same time Thomas Garrison
one of the Executors named in the said will came
before the Court and qualified according to law. Orders
that letters issue accordingly.

W^m Dickson C. C.

I in the name of God Amen. I Sarah Matchett widow
of the county of Duplin and state of North Carolina.
being sick on bed but of sound mind and memory
and calling to mind the mortality of man kind
and knowing that it is appointed to all persons once
to die do make ordains Ratify and declare this to
be my last will and testament. that is to say
first of all I recommend my soul into the hand
of all mighty God who gave it and my body to the
Earth to be buried in a Christian like manner at
the discretion of my Executors. In witness where as for

my worldly Estate that it hath been pleased God
to bestow on me with I give demise and Dispose of
as follows that is to say first to pay all my
just debts and funeral charges which I wish to
be come out of the rent corn that is due from
Nathan Gray and William Gray for the years Rent.
Last if that not being of nuff to discharge all
them the rest of it to be made up out of my crop
Itorn, and as for the rest of my worldly Estate I
give and bequeath it all to my dearly beloved son
William Matchett. Now I make and ordain of
joint Executor with James Parnell of this my last
will in testament Signed, Sealed, and pronounced this
my last will testament. This twenty fourth day of
September 1794. in presence of Jos. Nathan Waller John
Chambers.

Sarah Matchett Seal

State of N^c Carolina } October Term 1795.
Duplin County }

There was the within will proved in open Court in
due form of Law by the oath of Nathan Waller
one of the subscribing witnesses thereto. and at the
same time William Matchett and James Parnell
the Executors therein named came before the Court
and qualified as such according to law. Orders
that letters do issue accordingly.

W^m Dickson C. C.

I in the name of God Amen. I William M^c Gowan
of the State of North Carolina and county of Duplin
being sick and weak in body but of sound and
perfect memory blessed be God do this fifth Day of
October in the year of our Lord 1792. make and
publish this my Last will and Testament in manner
and form following viz: 1st my will and Desire is
that all my just debts and funeral expenses be
paid by my Executors, and in order that the same
may be done with the best advantage to my