

bequeath to my brother Joseph Barden one shilling sterling to him and his heirs for ever. Item I give and bequeath to my sister Sarah Barden one shilling sterling to her and her heirs forever. Item I give and bequeath to my sister Tette Barden one shilling sterling to her & her heirs for ever. Item I give and bequeath to my sister Zephia Barden one shilling sterling to her and her heirs for ever. Item I give and bequeath to my sister Moley Barden one shilling sterling to her & her heirs for ever. Item I give and bequeath to my brother Jesse Barden one shilling sterling to him & his heirs for ever. Item I give and bequeath to my brother William Barden one shilling sterling to him & his heirs for ever. Item I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Rebecca Barden the remaining part of my estate both real & personal to be at her own disposal forever and I do here by nominate and appoint my true and trusty friend Nathan Waller Exr of the my last will and testament here by revoking and making void all other wills of gifts by me made and do declare this my and pronounce this to be my last will and testament. Signed sealed and declared my last will & testament this the 11th May 1811 In presence of M. Southland Robert Southland. Alex Southland John ^{his} Barden, Seal Mark

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Then was the within proved in open Court by the oath of John Fort and John Linton, two of the subscribing witnesses thereto in due form of Law. And at the same time William Beck and John Beck to of the Exrs named in said will came before the Court & qualified as Exrs according to Law Ordinance that issued according to Act M^{rs} Durham CC

In the name of God amen the second day of September in the year of our Lord God one thousand seven hundred and ninety. I John Beck of Duplin County and State of North Carolina being at this time sick and weak of body but of sound mind and memory praised be God for the same and calling to mind the mortality of the body and that it is appointed unto all men once to die do constitute and make this my will in manner and form following. That is to say First and principally of all I give and bequeath my soul into the hands of Almighty God who gave it me and my body I recommend to the earth from whence it was taken to be buried in a christian like and decent manner at the discretion of my Exrs hereafter to be mentioned and as to my

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worldly good with which I have pleased God Almighty to
 bless me with in this life, I give and devise in manner &
 form following. (To Wit) And first my will and devise that all my
 Lawful debts be satisfied. Item I give and bequeath to my daughter
 Ann Beck two negroes to wit Tom & Abigail to her and her heirs
 forever. Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Ann Beck one feather
 bed & furniture & two cows & calves. Item - I give and bequeath &
 devise to my two grand sons Benjamin & Gibson Beck, the tracts
 or parcels of land which I bought of my son John Beck the
 one tract lying on the permain branch containing two
 hundred acres and the other tract or parcel of land lying
 on the north side of the bear pond perquonn containing fifty
 acres to be equally divided between them to them and their
 heirs forever. (Item) I give to my daughter Charity Wright one
 negro boy name Jerry Frank and one bed and furniture &
 two cows and calves which she has in possession to her &
 her heirs for ever. (Item) I give and bequeath to my daughter
 Sarah Lennigan one negro girl name Cate and two cows
 & calves which she has in possession (Item) I give and bequeath
 to my daughter two negroes (Mary Whitfield) viz Dora &
 Sabine and two cows & calves which she has in her possession
 and one feather bed and furniture. (Item) I give and bequeath
 to my daughter Mary Ann Shocomb one negro girl name
 Enny one feather bed and furniture and two cows & calves
 which she has in her possession to her & her heirs for ever (Item)
 I give devise and bequeath to my son William Beck one small
 tract of land which I purchased of of Doctor George Truor
 lying on Goshen Swamp at the boat landing joining his own
 land containing three acres to him and his heirs forever.
 (Item) I leave to my beloved wife Elizabeth Beck all the
 remaining part of my whole estate both real & personal and
 during her natural life or widowhood (Item) my will &
 devise is and I do hereby give devise & bequeath to my
 son Stephen Beck to be by him enjoyed at the death of or
 marriage of my wife and not before. The plantation where on
 I now live together with all the lands belonging to me
 adjoining to the same to him and his heirs for ever. (Item)
 My will and devise further is that at the death or marriage

of my wife there may be made out of the residue of my estate
 the sum of two hundred and ninety one dollars, and two
 thirds of which said sum I give and bequeath in the following
 manner (To wit) To my daughter Charity Wright one hundred &
 twenty five dollars. To my daughter Sarah Lemigan one hundred
 and twenty five dollars. To my daughter Mary Ann Selocum
 forty one & two third dollars to be made out of my estate by
 my Exrs and paid by them to the above Legatee—(Itm)
 My will and desire that the whole of the remaining part of my
 estate be equally divided amongst the following children
 (To wit) William John Charity Elizabeth Sarah Mary Ann
 Ann & Mary (Itm) And I do here by nominate and or-
 dain and appoint my loving sons William Beck John
 Beck & Stephen Beck Exrs of this my last will & testament
 I do here by revoke and disannul all and Every other will or
 wills be me here to fore made or declaring this and only to
 be my last will and testament in witness whereof I have
 here unto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and
 year above written. Signed sealed published and declared
 in the presence of Jos Sunderlin John Fort & Linton
 John Beck (Seal)

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The Worshippful the Justices ss. Then unto the with in. exhibited
 into Court and proved in due form of Law by the oath of
 William Sharpleer one of the subscribing Endorsed Thereto, and
 the said will be filed and at the same Felix Henan Esquire one of
 the executors named in said will came before the court and qual-
 ified by taking the oath of an executor according to Law ordered
 that letters issue accordingly. Test Wm Dickson. C. C.

In the name of God Amen. I Howell Blackmore of Spring
 Hall at the Welch Tract in the County of New Hanover in North
 Carolina being in good health and perfect memory (Blessed be God)
 do this the Tenth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand
 seven hundred & Eighty one, make and published this my last
 will and testament. In manner following (That is to say) I pro-
 mise I give to my son Edward Blackmore the plantation