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County of Ht.

March Court 1761

The within Will was in Open Court Exhibited by the Exor and Proved by the Oath of Henry Mart Esq. and Amos Cotton two of the subscribing Witnesses thereto and at the same time the Exor. was Sworn according to Law which is on Motion Ordered to be Certified and the Will to be Recorded

Jno P.

James Hall Esq

In the Name of God Amen the tenth day of January in the year of our Lord Christ one thousand seven hundred and fifty one Robt Coleman of Essex County in the Province of North Carolina Gentle being very Sick & Weak in Body but of perfect Mind and memory Thanks be given to God therefore calling unto mind the mortality of my Body & knowing that it is appointed for all men once to Die I do therefore make & Ordain this my Last Will & Testament the is to stay principally & first of all I Give and Recommend my soul into the Hands of God that gave it and as for my Body I Recommend it to the Earth to be Buried in a Christian like and Decent manner at the Discretion of my Executors nothing Doubting but that it

Coleman Will

The General Resurrection, I shall receive the same
again by the mighty Power of God, and as touching
such Wordly Estate, wherewith it hath pleased God
to Bless me in this Life, I give Devise & Dispose
of the same in the following Manner & form

I Reserve to my Beloved Wife Susanor Coleman

The Use of the Plantation whereon I now Live During
her Natural Life, and Afterward to be the Property
of my Son Rob^t Coleman

I give Devise & Bequeath unto my Beloved son
John Coleman to him & his Heirs ^{Assigns} for ever Thirty
Pounds Yearly

I give Devise & Bequeath unto my Beloved son
Robert Coleman the Plantation & Land whereon I
now Live and also one Hundred Acres of Land
lying to it out of the Land that was Surveyed for
me by William Haywood to him his Heirs Assigns
for ever & also the Muscate Gun that I must with
I give Devise & Bequeath unto my Beloved son Cadar
Coleman all the Remainder Part of the Aforesaid Tract
of Land, that was Surveyed for me by the Aforesaid
Haywood and Joynts Christ Church

And as for the other Part of my Estate it is my
Will & Desire that it shall be Equally Divided
between my Aforesaid Wif. & twelve Children
vizt. My Son Coleman Cadar Coleman Stephen Coleman
Sarah Coleman Robert Coleman Josiah Coleman
Susanor Coleman Jacobus Coleman Jacob Coleman
Mary Coleman Harry Coleman & Elizabeth Coleman

And lastly I appoint my Beloved Wife
 Susanor Coleman. Aron Coleman. Cadar Coleman
 Stephen Coleman to be my Sole Exors. of this my
 Last Will & Testament in Witnesses whereof
 I have Hereunto set my Hand & Seal the Day
 & Year first Above Written Signed Sealed & Published
 & acknowledged by the said Robert Coleman as
 his Last Will & Testament in Presence of us

W^m Maywood

Jos^{ph} Wombwell

Rob^t Williams

Robert Coleman

Edgcomb
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Jam^s P. M^{rs} C^{es}