

In The Name of God Amen, I John Lanier of the
State of North Carolina and Warren County being in perfect
Sense and Memory, do make and ordain this my last Will and
Testament, and do Dispose of my Worldly Estate in the following
manner, To wit—

I Give and Bequeath to my son Thomas Lanier Three Negroes
Manuel Robin & Aggy, two Cows & Calves one Yoke of Steers
two feather Beds & Furniture now in Possession except the Negro Bed
to him and his heirs forever;

I Give to my Daughter Lucy Byrd During her life Five Negroes
Phebe Davie Simon & Matilda and Jerry three head of Cattle
two feather Beds & Furniture One mare Bridle and Saddle now in
Possession except one Bed & Furniture & the Negro Jerry and after her
Death to be Equally Divided among her Children that she ^{has and} may
have by her present Husband, to them and their heirs forever

I Give to my Daughter Nancy Bennett Six Negroes Aggy Eston
Burton Leason Kitty & Smith, field one mare Bridle & Saddle seven
head of Cattle two feather Beds & Furniture now in Possession except
one Bed & Furniture & the Negro Smith, field, and after her Death to be
Equally Divided among her Children that she has and may have by her
present Husband—

I Give and Bequeath to my Daughter Sarah Lanier Six Negroes
Annahy Patt Luck Jerry Luina & Matt one mare Bridle and
Saddle two feather Beds & Furniture and Leather one Chest, and

two cows and calves, its also my Will that if my Daughter Sarah should
die before she has a living Issue, that the Property Given her to be
Equally Divided between my son Benjamin and all my Grand Children
I Give and Bequeath to my son Benjamin Junior my Tract of Land
whereon there live Six Negroes Anthony Larry Licia Simcon —
Merrill and Jacob two Yoke of Steers & Cows and all the residue
of the Cattle hogs &c one Jubie mare two feather Pigs and furniture —
and the rest of the House hold Kitchen furniture and plantation utensils
its also my Will that if my said son Benjamin should die before he has
a lawful living Issue, that the property Given him to be Equally divided
between my Daughter Sarah, and all my Grand Children

It is my Will and Desire that the Negro Boy Simcon be to my Daughter
Lucy Bird Give to my Grand Thomas Byrd — — —

It is also my Will and Desire that my Daughter Sarah if she thinks proper
and Chooses to live ~~at home~~ where she now does, it shall be a home for
her and Property while she lives a single life. I do appoint my sons
Thomas Junior & Benjamin Junior Executors to this my last will
and Testament. Therefore I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this
Twenty-fourth day of December One Thousand Eight Hundred & four

Signed and Acknowledged
in the presence of

David Royster

Robert Sanders
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