

In the Name of God Amen I John Denton of Wake County
and State of North Carolina being sick & weak in health but of a perfect
mind & memory Do hereby make Constitutions and ordains this to be my Last will and
Testament in manner & form following (that is to say First & principally I Give
and my Soul to God that gave it Hoping that through the Merits of my dear
Redeemer Jesus Christ to Receive a full and free Pardon for all my sins when I
leave this world and for Creating Disputes hereafter I Give and Dispose of my
worldly Estate in the following manner Viz First I Give and Devise unto my Son
Jesse Denton the Sum of Five Shillings Spain to him & to his use Secondly I Give
and Devise unto my Grandson Jesse Denton the Sum of Five Shillings Spain to
him & to his use Thirdly I Give and Devise unto my Grandson John Denton
the Sum of Five Shillings Spain to him & to his use Fourthly I Give and Devise
unto my Daughter Mary Denton one feather bed & Furniture to her & to her proper
use Fifthly I Give and Devise unto my Daughter Martha Denton one feather
bed & Furniture to her & to her proper use Sixthly I Give & Devise unto my son
Jeremiah Denton my Black Colt haltered to him & to his proper use Seventhly
I Give & Devise unto each of my five Children Namely Samuel Junior
& Robert Foster Denton my three sons & Mary & Martha my daughters

And I give & Devise unto each of my five Children Namely Samuel Foster
& Robert Foster Benton my three sons & Mary & Martha Benton my two
Daughters a how & half pence to each of them to their proper use as they live
to the age of Twenty one years Eightly. I give & Devise unto my Loving wife
Mary Benton all the Rest of my Estate of every kind whatsoever to her & to her
proper use I also leave the use of my two work houses. I will that she may not
not for her to sell or Dispose of but for the use of the Mansion in which she
I also give & Devise unto my said wife all my household & her proper
use. Ninthly I give and Devise unto my son Robert Foster Benton
my negro man Chamell to him & to his heirs & assigns for ever but it is my
will & Devise that my wife should have the Use of the said Negro till my
said son comes to the age of Twenty one years Tenthly I leave all the Rest
Residue of my Estate of every kind whatsoever to the use of my
wife Mary Benton During her natural Life and after her death
Equally Divided between my five Children Namely Samuel Benton
Robert Foster my three sons Mary & Martha my two Daughters
Division share & share alike to each of them Lastly I recommend my
wife Mary Benton my Executors my son Samuel Benton my Executors
this my Last will & Testament bearing date the 10th day of April 1841

I am in Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal this
Day of March in the Year of our Lord Christ one thousand seven hundred
Eighty Five. John Benton Clerk Signed Sealed Published & Delivered
At the County of Surber Sumner, Edwin Sumner James Powell
State of North Carolina Gates County Jt. May Inferior Court of the
and quarter Sessions 1785 The within Will was exhibited into Court by
Mary Abner Baustrie and Samuel Benton Baustrie therein Opposite
and was proved by the oath of Edwin Sumner one of the Subscribing
Witnesses thereto. Then the said Will was Ordered to be Recorded at the same
time the said Baustrie and Baustrie came into Court and qualified them-
selves for that office and prayed an order for Letters Testamentary thereon
which was accordingly granted. Teste Laro Baker Clerk

In the Name of God Amen I Thomas Pullington of
Gates County & State of North Carolina being old weak in body but
Perfect mind & memory thanks be given to God therefore calling to mind
the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men
once to die do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament that
is to say Principally and first of all I give my Soul into the hands of