

In the Name of God Amen.

first Day of August One thousand Seven Hundred and fifty Five, I William Bridges
of the County of Granville & Province of North Carolina Being of Sound mind & memory
Praised be God for ever, calling to mind the Uncertainty of this Life, knowing that it
is appointed for all men to die, Do make, Ordain, constitute & Appoint this my Last
Will & Testament in manner & form following, Viz:

Item I Give & bequeath unto my Daughter Mary the Wife of Henry Porch five Shillings to be
Paid her ^{for} my Wifes Decease,

Item I Give & Bequeath unto my Daughter Elizabeth the Wife of William Freeman five Shillings
to be Paid her after my Wifes Decease.

Item I Give & Bequeath unto my Daughter Susannah the Wife of John Hencock, five Shillings
to be Paid her after my Wifes Decease.

Item I Give & bequeath unto my Grandson Thomas Bridges son of William Bridges two Coats
& half, two Pewter Dishes, & two Plates Pewter, and all that he has now in Possession Except
a Day those named Tiddler that to be Returned to my Executor the Coats & half & Pewter to be
Paid him after my ^{Wifes} Decease,

Item I Give & bequeath unto ~~my~~ the Daughter of William Porch a Coats & half the male
Third (of their Increase) for William Porch her Father, the female for her self & to be
Paid her after my Wifes Decease.

Item I Leave a Tract of Land of one Hundred Acres & Plantation unto Joseph Bridges, of the
my Wifes Decease, and to the Heirs of his Body Lawfully begotten and so to the Heirs
of mine & theirs ~~bridges~~ ^{lawfully} begotten and so to the Heirs
next of Kin and so to continue to them & their Heirs Lawfully begotten & Procees
for ever

Paid her after my Wifes Decease.
Item I Leave a Tract of Land of one Hundred Acres & Plantation unto Joseph Bridges after
my Wifes Decease and to the Heir of his Body Lawfully begotten and so to the Heirs
of them & theirs to enjoy the same for ever & to the Heir of the Heir of the Heir of the Heir
next of Kin and so to continue to them & their Heirs Lawfully begotten & to receive
for ever.

Item after my Wifes Decease Then I do Give unto Mary Daughter of Thomas Bridges
one Negro man named Bob to be delivered to her when she shall attain to the Age of
Eighteen Years if in case my Wife should Die before that, and if my Wife should
Die before she attain to Eighteen Years, then my Executor or Executors to Give out
the Negro yearly and what comes out of the Price to ^{her} Mary three Pounds ^{per} Year
yearly till she comes of Eighteen Years and when she shall attain to Eighteen Years then
to Pay her what Remained out of the Price besides the three Pounds, with the Negro
to be Delivered by my Executors to ^{the} Daughters of ~~William~~ ^{Thomas} Bridges
to her Heirs for ever.

Item I do Leave unto my beloved Wife Susanna During her Natural Life all my Lands
Goods Chattels & Credits and after her Decease for my Legacies being Paid & my Debts &
Funeral Expences are fully Satisfied, ^{then} I Give unto my Son Joseph Bridges
all the Rest, Residue, & Remainder of my Estate, he Paying as is before Specified &
mentioned by me as my last Will & Testament,

Lastly I do Remanet, constitute & appoint my Son Joseph Bridges my sole Executor, hoping he
will execute & perform, ^{the same} as my Trust is in Reposed Given forth under my hand & Seal
the Day & year above.

Wm. Cotton
Ambrose Cook

William Bridges