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1st to one of the Exec<sup>r</sup>s in so will appointed & qualified as such agreeable to law  
I herewith bequeath the other Exec<sup>r</sup>s declined nothing

Test John Hamilton Esq

File # 0235

# James Martin

I James Martin of Guilford County and State of North Carolina  
doe knowing the uncertainty of life & the certainty of death do leave the following  
as my last will and Testament That is to say Principally and first of all  
I command my soul to God and my body to the earth to be buried in a Christian  
manner w<sup>t</sup> the despatch of my Executors hereafter named and as to the mortallity  
time wherwith I am possessed I give bequeath and despose of in the following manner  
First It is my will that all my just debts & funeral expences be paid up and  
charged in a reasonable time

2<sup>y</sup> I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Mary Martin the use & proper  
whole of my Estate both Real & personal during her videlicet

3<sup>y</sup> And at the death of my said wife I give into my son John Martin Secontry son  
of said I mean on the north East part of my Land I give it unto him his  
sons and assigns forever

4<sup>y</sup> I give unto my son James Martin one hundred acres of Land on the South  
part of my Land abuting the same of which he may prosper and live on  
same to him his heirs and assigns forever

5<sup>y</sup> I give unto my son Henry Martin all the residue of my Land after the death  
the aforesaid wife I give it unto him his heirs and assigns forever

6<sup>th</sup> I give unto my Daughter Francis Martin<sup>2</sup> as of my ninth Room with  
especial privilege therewith belonging together with her furniture so long as she  
lives. 7<sup>th</sup> I give unto my two Daughters Francis Martin<sup>2</sup> and Mary Brown all my  
gold furniture after the Death of my said wife Equally to be divided between them.

8<sup>th</sup> I give to my Daughter Hannah Sullivan I give five Shillings

9<sup>th</sup> I give unto my two Sons James and Henry Martin<sup>2</sup> and my two Daughters  
namely Francis Martin and Mary Brown after my debts are all paid off the residue  
of my Estate part and part alike.

I And Lastly I beseeche and beseech my Esteemed friends Francis, Mary,  
Paul, Nancy & Paul Encouragers of this my last will and Testament Ratifying  
allowing whatsoever they may lawfully do or cause to be done.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this sixteenth day  
the fourth month in the year one Thousand Seven Hundred and Sixty three  
Signed Sealed Promised and declared by the sd James Martin to his  
will & Testament the day and year as above written in the presence of  
Joseph Palmer, William Moore &  
Samuel Lamb.

James Martin Jr

(Attest S. Smith, Notary)

Guilford County 3 February Court 1796

It is ordered Samuel Lamb from the Execution of the within will  
be open hand & on notice let it be Proved; There came in  
Richard May & Paul May who were appointed Executors  
by the will of the Testator & qualified as such agreeable to Law

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