

In the name of God amen I John Sims of the County of
 Guilford & State of North Carolina Being Weak of body but of
 perfect mind & memory calling to mind the mortality of the Body &
 that it is appointed for all men once to die do make & ordain this
 My Last will & Testament announcing disarming and making
 void all former ones & first I recommend my soul to Almighty God
 who know it and my Body to the dust to be decently buried in a
 Christian manner at the discretion of my Executors nothing doubting
 but at the general resurrection I shall receive the same and as for
 such worldly goods as at last I desired God to bless me with
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 My Last Wills are paid & disposed of in the following manner Viz.
 I have and bequeath unto my Daughter Sally one Negro Woman named
 Sal one young Man named Doll two cows & calves in choice of the
 flock also my Dresser and other furniture I also will that should she
 remain single she have choice of the rooms in the East end of my house
 with free access to use of the Dressing room & free passage to use of
 dwelling house and Kitchen also that she have free passage to use of
 my sister Housers Spring & Springhouse also one half of the Garden & one
 acre of ground under good fence suitable for any better other such
 such as she may choose to sow or plant to be paid in order to her
 hand by her Brother Daniel & change to a different part of the
 plantation as occasion may require and that he the said Daniel
 furnish and provide her usually with twenty bushels of corn & twelve
 bushels of wheat off the plantation whereon I now live with rough food
 sufficient for her maintenance & wear whilst she remain single & also allow
 her the things which have been provided for her Viz. one saddle bridle
 about two good feather beds and furniture one of which is to be the bed
 I myself have used to sleep on also my room with all its appurtenances
 with a suitable place for it to stand in. In the next place I will &
 bequeath unto my son Ebenezer my Oak and Golding Pith Nest &
 will & bequeath unto my son Daniel the whole of the plantation & tract
 of land which I now live on except the above provisions for my
 Daughter Sally of one acre & half the Garden During her abode I also
 leave my black clock case & two keels to my son Daniel I also will &
 bequeath my Wagon hind horse Wagon cover & dog chain & feed
 my trough equally between my two youngest sons Ebenezer & Daniel
 I next leave one young heifer to each of my little grand daughters Viz.

That it is appointed for all men once to die & in due season
My Last will & Testament renouncing disavowing and making
Void all former ones & Justly recommend my soul to Almighty God
Who have it and my Body to the dust to be decently buried in a
Christian manner at the discretion of my Executors nothing doubting
but at the general resurrection I shall receive the same and as for
such worldly goods as it hath pleased God to bestow upon me
My Last Wills are paid & disposed of in the following manner Viz.
I have and bequeath unto my Daughter Abby one Negro Woman named
Sally one young Man named Will two cows & calves in choice of the
Stock also my Dresser and other furniture I also will that should she
remain single she have choice of the rooms in the East end of my house
with free access to use of the Dressing room & free passage off both the
swelling house and Kitchen also that she have free passage to use
my smother house & spring & I pray her also one half of the Garden & one
acre of ground under good fenced suitable for any bottom either such
such as she may choose to sow or plant to be kept in order to her
hand by her Brother Daniel & change to a different part of the
Plantation as occasion may require and that he the said Daniel
furnish and provide her annually with twenty Bushels of Corn & twenty
Bushels of Wheat off the Plantation Whence I now live with rough food
sufficient for her maintenance & also what she remain single & also allow
her the things which have been provided for her Viz. one saddle bridle
about two good feather beds and furniture one of which is to be the bed
I myself have used to sleep on also my room with all the appurtenances
with a suitable place for it to stand in. In the next place I will &
bequeath unto my son Ebenezer my Oak and Golding Table next I
will & bequeath unto my son Daniel the whole of the Plantation & Tract
of Land which I now live on except the above provisions for my
Daughter Abby of one acre & half the Garden During her abode I also
leave my black clock and two cows to my son Daniel I also will &
bequeath my Wagon hind bears Wagon cover & Log chain & feed
my Trough equally between my two youngest sons Ebenezer & Daniel
I next leave one young heifer to each of my little grand daughters Viz.
Sally & Mary & I will & bequeath two Dollars to
each of my married sons at my Decease In the next place I
will and bequeath unto my Daughter Abby her two Dollars

To be equally divided amongst them that I will & bequeath unto
 my Daughter Catharine her right portion to be equally divided
 amongst them I will & bequeath unto my Daughter
 Jane her portion & the balance of my personal property to be
 left to the discretionary management of my Executors to be applied
 by them to the purpose of defraying debts of any kind & to the
 purpose of paying of the Legacies after which if there be a remain-
 der let it be divided as my Executors think proper & also do hereby
 constitute and appoint my two sons William & David Thom
 Executors of this my last will and Testament. It is my Desire that
 there be no public sale or any return made to Court of my Estate
 this I pronounce to be my last will & Testament the which whereof
 I have hereunto subscribed my name this 9th day of June 1824

Attest

John Wiley Esqr

John Cooper

John Thom

State of North Carolina

Guilford County 3 May Term 1824

The Execution of the within Will was proven
 in open Court by the Oaths of John Wiley one of the
 subscribing Witnesses ordered to be recorded then came in
 David Thom one of the Executors & qualified

Just.

Matthew Cole