

Richard Montfort Ward

In the Name of God Amen I Richard Montfort of the County of Calhoun
and State of North Carolina, being of a Sound mind & memory do declare this my last Will
& Testament, in Manner & form following Vizt. I recommend my Soul to almighty
God in hopes of a happy resurrection, thro the mediation of his Son Jesus Christ; Item, My
Body I give to the Earth from whence it sprang with a desire that it may be decently buried
by my Executors but without any unnecessary expense; The worldly Goods it has pleased the
Bestow on me I give and bequeath in the following manner Vizt. I give to my Wife Ann
Montfort five Shillings; Item I give to my Daughter Polly, five Shillings; Item I give
to my Son John, five Shillings; Item I give to my Son William five Shillings; Item I give to my
Son Thomas five Shillings; Item I give to my Son Samuel five Shillings; Item I give to my
Son Robert five Shillings; Item I give to my Son Geoffrey Fifty dollars in Silver to be raised
and paid out of Ambrose Harpers Bonds being for three hundred dollars; I also give & bequeath
to my said Son one feather Bed commonly called the new Bed; Item I give & bequeath to my
Daughter Polly the Bed commonly use; I also give to my said Daughter Fifty Silver dollars to
be raised & paid out of the Bonds of Ambrose Harper, that I have already mentioned; I also give the cow
& calf known by the name of ~~La Harpe~~ the Red Cow to my said Daughter & her heirs forever
Item I give & bequeath

Son Thomas five Shillings, Item I give to my Son Samuel five Shillings, Item I give to my
Son Robert five Shillings, Item I give to my Son Geoffry Fifty dollars in Silver to be raised
and paid out of Ambrose Harpers Bonds being for three hundred dollars, I also give & bequeath
to my said son one feather Bed commonly called the new Bed, Item I give & bequeath to my
Daughter Polly the Bed commonly use, I also give to my said Daughter Fifty Silver dollars to
be raised & paid out of the Bonds of Ambrose Harper, that I have already mentioned, I also give the cow
& calf known by the name of ~~the cow~~ of the well now to my said Daughter & her heirs forever.
Item I give & bequeath to my son Joseph my two feather Beds known by the name of the Boys Bed
Patsy Bed, I also give to my said son Joseph two cows & calves & two huffer, and the balance of
two hundred dollars due of Ambrose Harpers Bonds which I have already mentioned, The balance
due me of thirty five dollars by Ambrose Harper and my household furniture I wish to go towards
my just debts, and if this should not be sufficient, then the money I am to have for corn, I am to draw
Col: Davis to be applied to the same purpose, should this not be sufficient, the balance of my debts
to be paid out of the money I have given my son Joseph, should there be any overplus in the property
above mentioned to go to paying my debts, I desire & my will is that the same shall go to my son
Joseph, I leave my son Geoffry Munford & Vincent Harper Executors of this my last will &
Testament hereby revoking all other Wills & Testaments, whatsoever made by me, my wife & children.

