

In the Name of God, Amen, I James Brown of  
Sullivan County, in North Carolina being senior and weaker  
Body, yet of perfect Sense and Memory; Thanks be to God  
and our Consideration of Life, and Death is uncertain to make  
and ordain this my Last Will and Testament. Yet I do  
recommend my Soul to God and my Body to the Earth, at the  
discretion of my Executors, & as to my Mortal Estate, I give  
simple Requital & dispose of the same in the following  
Manner and Form.

Imprimis, it is my Will and pleasure, that my Wife  
Ann Browne enjoy my whole Estate, both real and personal  
during her life —

I think I give to my Wifes Grandson, Willibr Williams, all and  
singular my Land & other & all tenements, to enjoy the same after  
my Wifes decease: provided if the said Willibr Williams should  
decease without lawful Issue, I give the Land & tenements to  
Willibr Conen Williams Williams Son of John Williams —

If in all my personal Estate of what kind soever, my pleasure is  
it shall be equally divided, between Willibr Williams, & William  
Williams Son of John Williams, after the decease of my Wifes  
& I appoint George Endopone of my Executors, to let little  
Willibr Williams part of the Estate till his Grandson, till the said  
Willibr Williams come to the age of eighteen Years, and then to  
be delivered up to the said Willibr Williams, and all the rest  
as shall arise from it, till that time shall be apprehended, in Debating,  
the said Willibr, and in Case he shall die before he cometh to age  
of twenty one Years, or in case of his lawful Issue, my  
Will and Desire is that his Son of his Estate, shall go to the next  
Heir of John Williams —

Lasty, I appoint my Loring wife Testatrix, and the said John  
Williams, and George Endopone Executors of this my last Will and  
Testament, and I hereby revoke & disannul all other Wills  
formally made, I do set by and renounce all former Wills  
I have hereunto set

Imprimis, it is my Will and Pleasure, that my Wife Ann Browne enjoy my Whole Estate, both real and personal during her life & then to my Wifes Grand son, Willibr Williams, all and singular my Lands, & all tenements, to enjoy the same after my Wifes decease: provided if the s<sup>d</sup> Willibr Williams should decease without lawful issue, I give the said Lands & tenements to Willibr Conson Williams Son of John Williams — Item all my personal Estate of what kind soever, my wife is it shall be equally divided, between Willibr Williams, & William Williams Son of John Williams, after exploring his decease & I do appoint George Cudor one of my Speculators, to have & take Willibr Williams part of the Estate in his hand, till the s<sup>d</sup> Willibr Williams come to the age of eighteen years, and then to be delivered up to the s<sup>d</sup> Willibr Williams, and all the interest we shall die from it, till that time shall be suspended, in desiring, the s<sup>d</sup> Willibr, and in case he shall die before he cometh to age of twenty one years, or in case of lawful issue from his Body, my Will and Pleasure is that his share of my Estate, shall go to the next Heir of John Williams —

Lastly, I appoint my loving Wife Testatrix, and the afo<sup>s</sup> John Williams, and George Cudor Speculators of this my last Will and Testament, and I hereby do revoke & disannul, all other Wills formerly made, & do witness and confirm this and none other to be my last Will and Testament in this State of North Carolina at my Hand and Seal this of month of March 1764 — Samuel H Browne his mark signed sealed and delivered in presence of Samuel Edwards, Thomas Harris son Will  
Halifax Co<sup>n</sup> 1764 — The above Will was exhibited on the 1<sup>st</sup> instant to the Court by the Speculators, and being proved by the Oath of Benjamin Hill a Subscribing Witness thereto, whereupon the Speculators were caused to sign the same same into Court and were duly qualified ordered the s<sup>d</sup> to stand fast