

Thomas Amis ch. W. & W.

I Thomas Amis of the State of North Carolina & Town of Raleigh
do constitute this my last Will & Testament as follows.

1st I give & bequeath unto my niece Rebecca Bennahan daughter of Richard
& Mary Bennahan. all my Estate both real & personal. (except the Legacy hereafter
named to her & her heirs forever

2nd I give & bequeath unto Thomas Gale Amis one Thousand Dollars to be
advanced one year after my Death and the money placed on Interest and the
Interest to be employed in Educating him.

3rd In case either or both the above named Legatus Should die before they come
of age or marry and in that case such part of my Estate so willed to them
I give and bequeath unto Thomas Dudley Bennahan son of Richard & Mary
Bennahan.

4th I hereby appoint Richard Bennahan & William Amis Executors of this
my last Will & Testament authorising them to settle all my accounts & pay all
debts that may appear to them to be Just & to sell & dispose of the whole or any part
of my real Estate that they may think for the benefit of my Estate. Witness my
hand & seal this 7th day of October 1796

Signed Sealed published & acknowledged
in presence of us John J. Long

Thomas Amis Secy.

my will that they may think for the benefit of my Estate. Witness my
hand & seal this 7th day of October 1796
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in presence of us } Thomas Amis Secy.
John Jo. Long
B. # 11th

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Codicil to the above will.

I lend unto my friend & partner Jesse Rhymes the use of the house & lot
which was bought of John Killups during his natural life all the necessary
improvements to be completed at the joint expense of the Company
I do also lend unto the said Jesse Rhymes, Grace & her son Henry during his
natural life requesting that he will on his part embrace the first opportunity to
obtain their liberation whenever the same shall be allowed by Law.
I give & bequeath to my Friend Sterling Marshall my Gold watch
I do request my Executors to pay unto my Metatto Woman Grace the sum of one
hundred dollars on her liberation. I give unto the following Slaves Jim Bray and
Duncan a pair of Cloathes to each of second Quality Cloth. to Cost eight Shillings
Sterling.
Signed & acknowledged in presence of us }
John Jo. Long B. # 11th

Thomas Amis.

Nov. 22nd 1797 I do hereby certify the above execution of the Segary of our Thomas

Halifax County 7th May Septem 1798 Then this Will was exhibited in open Court
and duly proved by the oath of Jno Joseph Long & Baptst With the subscribing witnesses thereto
and at the same time the witnesses aforesaid made oath that they said the Testator Subscrib'd
his name to the Codicil thereto Subjoined & heard him acknowledge the same as a Confirmation
& in republication of his said last Will & Testament and on Motion ordered to be Recorded
Whereupon Richard Bennet one of the Executors therein named came in & was duly
Qualified to this same

Witness

J Long C.C.

In The Name of God Amen. I Edward King of Halifax County, in the State of
North Carolina, North America being thro' the abundant Mercy & Goodness of God the
Weak in body yet of a Sound & perfect understanding & Memory do constitute this my
last Will & Testament & desire it may be received by all such. First I most humbly
bequeath my Soul to God my maker, beseeching his most Gracious acceptance of it. Through
the all Sufficient merits & Mediation of my most Compassionate Redeemer Jesus Christ
who gave himself to be an atonement for my sins and is able to save to the uttermost
all that come unto God by him seeing he ever liveth to make Intercession for them
and who I trust will not reject me a returning Penitent Sinner when I come to him

Edward King