

In The Name of God Amen.

Thomas Edmundson, of Halifax County, in the province of North Carolina planters being sick
& Weak but of sound Memory & understanding, thanks be to God for the same & calling to mind the
uncertainty of time, & the certainty of death, & trusting in the meritorious Death and passion of my blessed
Lord & Saviour Jesus Christ to obtain pardon & remission of all my sins, to make this my last
Will & Testament in manner & form following vizt. And first, I bequeath my soul to God that
gave it me, & as for my body I desire it may have a decent burial at the discretion of my Executors,
hereafter mentioned & as for all my Worldly goods and Chattels that it hath pleased God to bless me
with, I will & bequeath in manner following. Item I give & bequeath to my beloved wife Elizabeth Edmundson
the use of all my whole estate both real & personal during her widowhood or natural life to enable her to raise
my Children thereon, & in case that my Wife should marry after my decease my will & desire is that my
whole estate should be sold by my Executors & my wife to have the third part of my whole Estate, &
the surplus to be equally divided amongst my surviving Children in manner following. Item I give
& bequeath to my son William Edmundson two Cows & Lambs & likewise five shillings proclamation
money Over & above what I have already given him, Item I give & bequeath to my Daughter Phebe
Edmundson One hundred pounds proclamation money to be paid out of my whole estate at my wife's dea-
th or on the day she may marry; to her heirs heirs forever. Item I give & bequeath to my son Am-
brose Edmundson One hundred pounds proclamation money to be paid out of my whole estate at my wife's
death or on the day he may marry; to his heirs heirs forever. Item I give & bequeath to my son John Edmundson

I bequeath to my son William Edmundson two Acres of Land & fifteen fine shillings Proclamation
Money Over of above what I have already given him. Then I give & bequeath to my Daughter Inda
Edmundson One hundred pounds Proclamation Money to be paid out of my whole estate at my wife's dea-
th, or on the Day she may marry; to her & her heirs forever. Then I give & bequeath to my son Am-
brose Edmundson One hundred pounds Proclamation Money to be paid out of my whole estate at my wife's
Death or Marriage; & likewise One house call by the name of Champica to him & his heirs forever. Then
I give & bequeath to my son Humphry Edmundson One hundred pounds Proclamation Money to be paid out of
the remaining part of my estate at my Wife's death or Marriage. And that the Money coming to him to be
deposited in One of his Father's hands whom he may chuse to live with to maintain him therein, by the occasion of his being
Then I give & bequeath to my Daughter Sally Edmundson One hundred pounds to be paid to her out of the remaining
part of my Estate after my Wife's death or Marriage to her & her heirs forever. Then I give & bequeath to my son
Thomas Edmundson One hundred pounds Proclamation Money to be paid out of the remaining part of my Estate
after my wife's death or Marriage to him & his heirs forever. Then I give & bequeath to my Daughter El-
izabeth Edmundson One hundred pounds Proc. Money to be paid out of the remaining part of my Estate
after my Wife's death or Marriage to her & her heirs forever. Then I give & bequeath to my youngest
son Willie Edmundson the plantation which I now dwell with One hundred Acres of Land to him & his
heirs forever it being the one half of my two hundred Acres of Land to be equally divided after
the Death or Marriage of my wife. Then I give & bequeath to my Grandson Daniel Edmundson
Twenty pounds Proc. Money to be paid out of the remaining part of my Estate after my wife's
Death

Death or marriage to him & his heirs forever, Furthermore, it is my will & desire, that if my Estate
 when sold should not hold out for to pay my Children their Legacies as I have left them that they may
 be contented with each an equal part of my whole estate, & my will & desire, that if my Estate when
 sold should amount to more than I have left in Legacies, that then the overplus to be Equally divided
 amongs my living Children after my wifes Death or Marriage, My Son William only excepted, Then
 I constitute & appoint my living wife Elizabeth Edmondson Executrix of my trusty friend William
 Brown Junr. Executor of this my last Will & Testament, utterly revoking & disannulling all other
 Wills & Testaments that may formerly by me be made, now in Witness whereof, I have hereunto
 set my hand & seal this twelfth Day of July in the year of our Lord Christ one thousand
 seven hundred & seventy eight — Thomas Edmondson 

Signed Sealed & delivered in presence of

Philip Corlew, Joseph B. Beck, ^{his} John Justice

Halifax County Ist. February Session 1772.
 Then this Will was exhibited in open Court, & duly proved by the Oath of Philip Corlew
 one of the subscribing Witnesses thereto; & on Motion Ordered to be Recorded
 Just Wm. Collins Clk.

In the Name of God Amen, I William Smith of Halifax County, State of
 North Carolina being weak in body but of Sound Memory, & of good Understanding, do
 hereby make & Ordain my last will and Testament in manner & form as follow. Item
 It is my will & desire, that all my Just & lawfull debts should be paid; My last & plan
 tation stock of every kind & every thing else that I possess, I give to my wife Patsy
 Smith & her heirs & friends, William Rowe, should Act & do my business

William Smith late