

In the Name of God Amen! I William Branch
sen^r being sick but of sound mind and disposing memory
do make and Ordain this my last will and testament my will
and desire is that all my just debts should be paid them.
I give and bequeath unto my son Samuel Branch the land
and plantation I now live on with the Orchard where my
son William Branch live place called the Land man field
also two Negroes Rachael and Allen also a Still and bed and
furniture them I give and bequeath unto my son William
Branch the land and plantation he now live on except
the Orchard called Landmans field not to exceed one hundred
and twelve acres them I give and bequeath unto my Daughter
Lucy Seunkock two Negroes girls by the name of Brineca and
Amy my will and desire is that if my Daughter Lucy die
without leaving an heir lawfully begotten ^{and} the two Negroes
Brineca and Amy Decend to Samuel Branch and Sally
B. Branch. them I give and bequeath to my Daughter Sarah
B. Branch one Negro girl by the name Gilly one feather
bed and furniture and one Chist if my Daughter Sarah dies
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is that the said Gilley descend to my son Samuel Branch
them I give and bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth Meritt
five shillings, them I give and bequeath to my grand son
John Bayacan Branch one horse one bed and a good suit of
clothes as for the rest of my estate I leave to be sold and my
debts to be paid out of the money and if any remaining to be
equally divided between my four children Samuel, William
Lucy, and Sarah B. Branch (and lastly) I nominate and
appoint my worthy friends Edward Brown, Joseph Pearce
and Samuel Branch my Executors to this my last will and
testament revoking and annulling all other wills or bequests
witness my hand and seal the thirteenth day of
April 1808

Joshua Cole

Joseph I. Pearce

Salisbury County Set

Amos Branch (Seal)

November Session 1808 Then this will was exhibited
in open court and duly proved by the oath of Joshua Cole and Joseph I
Pearce the witnesses thereto and on motion ordered to be recorded when
upon Joseph Pearce and Samuel Branch two of the executors, their
names come and was duly qualified thereto

Witness L Long C.C.