

In the name of God Amen, I Benjamin Gibbs of the State of North Carolina and County of Hyde being infirm in body but of sound and disposing mind and memory do make and contain this my Last will & Testament in force following, that is to say, I give and recommend my soul into the hands of almighty God who gave it, and my body I recommend to the earth to be decently interred at the discretion of my Executors and as touching such worldly Estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with, I give and bequeath it in the following manner. I give & bequeath to my Daughter Mary Gibbs one negro man named Otho and fifty Dollars in money. I give to my daughter Ann Cannon one negro man named Christine. I give to my daughter Sarah Roper one negro man named Hame. I give to my daughter Rebecca Gibbs forty three acres of land lying with Ridge it being the same which I have laid off for her lying on the north side of my Ridge Land & plantation. I bequeath to my said daughter Rebecca one negro man named Boston and then two Calves one horse and one feather bed and furniture and one bedstead. I give to my daughter Phebe Young one negro woman named Phebe with all her increase and fifty Dollars in money. I give to my son Benjamin Gibbs my plantation and land whereon I live and one negro girl named Lyd and all her increase one mare named Diamond and her increase one feather bed & furniture one bedstead and three Calves & Calves. I give to my daughter Jane Gibbs forty three acres of Land lying on the Eastward end of the Lot of Land on the Ridge which I give to others of my daughters either in this my Last will or by Deeds hereafter I shall give her one negro girl named Easter and all her increase three Calves & Calves one mare one bed & furniture one bedstead. I give to my beloved wife Mary Gibbs all the remaining part of my Estate which hath not been herein before otherwise disposed of during her widowhood and my will is that this part of my Estate shall remain in the hands of my Executors, and by them be distributed or delivered to her in such manner and at such times as her Real wants may require and their Discretion may dictate.

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and not otherwise and after her death or marriage I give all which then remains of this part of my Estate to be equally divided among all my children; and my will is that after the marriage or death of my said wife Mary Gibbs that so much of this part of my Estate as shall appear to be the equal part of my Daughter Elizabeth Gibbs shall remain in the hands of my Executors and by them be distributed as necessity may require and they shall judge proper to supply the wants of my said daughter Elizabeth Gibbs or her children. And lastly I make and contain my son Benjamin Gibbs and my son in law Frederick Roper whole & sole Executors of this my Last will & Testament and I do hereby utterly revoke and disannul all former wills and Testaments by me in anywise made ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my Last will and Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this eight day of November in the year of our Lord 1807—

signed sealed published and pronounced by the testator as his Last will & Testament

in presence of us

Ben<sup>th</sup> Gibbs

Samuel Spencer

John Jemmet

The Due Execution of this Last will & Testament of Benjamin Gibbs, Esq. last mentioned in open Court by the oath of John Jemmet & subscribing witnesses to the same & ordered to be

Recorded

Not. Ben. Townsend Clerk

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