

In the Name of God Amen I Malisha Burges of the State
of North Carolina & County of Hyde being sick but in perfect
Senses & Thanks be given to God for it. I do make and ordain
this my last will and Testament do I recommend my soul
to God who gave it and my Body to the Earth to be buried in a
Christian like manner as touching my worldly goods which
it hath been pleased God to bestow me with I give & bequeath as follows

Item I give and Bequeath to my daughter Lydia Burges the most
part of my land that I Bought of Benben Dartin Beginning on
the river in a Branch running up the Branch to Dick then
up the ditch to the head then of there to the Back line of my
Ditch at the head of Jamiesons Corridor I give all the land I hold
on the west side of the above mentioned line to her & her
heirs & assigns for ever

Item I give to Lydia Burges one Cow marked Two over two and one
Heifer for my will is that the money Thomas Brownies owing
of me shall be laid out to the Best advantage by my Executor
to purchase two small Negroes

Item I give and Bequeath to my son Timothy Burges the plantation
I now live on with all the land thereunto belonging except
what I have already given away

Item I bequeath to my beloved wife Mary Burges all the remainder of my
Estate during her natural life to raise my Children on then
after her Death to be Equally divided amongst my four
Children as here named Littlecks Burges Mary Burges
Timothy Burges & Sakey Burges to be Equally divided
amongst them, & I do hereby constitute and appoint
my wife Mary Burges & Richard Jordan my Executor
& Executor to this my last will & Testament as witness
my hand & seal this 11th day of February one thousand
seven hundred & ninety three
Test John Russel Malisha Burges JS
Richard Jordan

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Hyde 11 May term 1793 this may Certify This last will & Testament
of Malisha Burges was exhibited into Court & proved by the oath
of Richard Jordan and Evidence there to who swore the Testator was
of a sound disposing mind & memory at the time of his
signing the same also swore he saw John Russel
sign with him as a subscribing witness at the same time
ordered to be Recorded

Test C. Forman tell

Forwriten January 5th 1800

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Q. D. Harris c. c.

In the Name of God Amen I Benjamin Neal of the State of
North Carolina and County of Hyde being Suffer in Body
but of sound and disposing mind and memory do make
and ordain this my last will & Testament in form following
that is to say I give & recommend my soul into the hand of
almighty God who gave it and my Body I recommend to the
Earth to be decently Entombed at the discretion of my Executors &
Touching such worldly Estate as it hath pleased God to bestow me with
I will and Bequeath it in the following manner

Imprimis I give to my daughter Nancy Neal one nice cold bedstead &
Covers and one feather bed & furniture and half a dozen puter plates

Item I give to my daughter Sarah Neal one mare one Cow and calf and one
Heifer and one feather bed and furniture and a half dozen puter plates

Item I give to my daughter Hannah Neal fifty acres of Land joining
Claytons line & running the use of said Land to my wife
Margret Neal during her Life.

Item I give to my daughter Mary Neal one Cow & calf and two Heifers
one feather bed & furniture and one puter Dish & three puter
Cassons. Item I give to my beloved wife Margret Neal the use of
the fifty acres of Land above mentioned during her Life

I give to my said wife all & singular the rest of my Estate
of every kind which has not already been herein

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otherwise disposed of during her life and after her
decease to be Equally divided amongst my four Daughters
Hannah, Nancy, Sarah & Mary Neal,
and I lastly do constitute and appoint my Brother
John Neal & my beloved wife Margaret Neal Executors to this
my last will & Testament and I do hereby solemnly revoke
and disannul all and every former will and Testament by
me in any wise made ratifying & Confirming this & no
other to be my last will and Testament
In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal
this 16th day of February 1793

Signed Sealed published and pronounced,
by the Testator in presence of

Israel Watson

Isaiah Harris } May term 1793 This Last will & Testament
Ezekiel Harris of Benj Neal was exhibited into Court on oath
of Israel Watson and Evidence thereto who swore he believed
The Testator was of a sound disposing mind & memory at
the time of his Executing the same also swore he saw
Isaiah Harris & Ezekiel Harris sign with him a
subscribing witnesses at the same time ordered
to be Recorded. Test

Benj Foreman tell

Transcribed June 8th 1800

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J. D. Harris c. c.

In the name of God Amen, I Thomas Cleaves of the County of
Hyde Being very sick and weak in order in perfect health of
body But or and of perfect mind and memory I thank be given unto
God Calling unto mind the mortality of my Body and knowing
that it is appointed for all men once to die do make & ordain
this my last will and Testament That is to say principally
& first of all I give and recommend my soul into the hands
of Almighty God that give it and my body I recommend to the
earth to be Buried in decent Christian burial at the discretion
of my Executors nothing doubting but at the great Resurrection
I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God
and as touching such worldly Estate wherewith it hath
pleased God to bless me with in this Life I give devise &
dispose of the same in the following manner & form

Item I give unto my well beloved wife Hannah Cleaves all my house-
hold furniture with one negro girl and child named Beck
and commit to her & her heirs forever and if it please God that
wife Hannah Cleaves and the child that she is with should die
then my will and desire is that the negro boy as a gift should
Return to my sister Mary Cleaves to her & her heirs forever.
I likewise give all my cattle and hogs to my wife Hannah
Cleaves to her & her heirs forever

Item I give unto my dear Brother John Cleaves one hundred and
thirty two acres of land to him and his heirs for ever with all
my working tools and wearing apparel to & her heirs forever
I also give to my well beloved Brother John Cleaves & my father
John Cleaves Executors to this my last will & Testament
Revoking all will or wills to before former last wills with
Legacies Legate & Executors by me in any wise before
named called & bequeathed ratifying & Confirming this &
no other to be my last will and Testament in witness
whereof I have unto set my hand and seal this 5th day
of April in the year of Our Lord 1793

Signed Sealed published & pronounced
& Delivered by the said

Test John Bagleton
Thos. Brownings

Thomas Cleaves Test

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