

In the name of God I move this twentyeth ninth day
of Aprile Anno Domini One Thousand eight hundred & three, I
Joseph Bordon of the County of Iredeell & State of North Carolina
being very sick and weak but of perfect mind & memory thank
be rendered unto God for the same & willing to mend the frailty
of this mortal state & considering that all flesh must yield unto
death when it doth please God to call. Principally & first of all, I
leave my Soul with God that gave it, & my body I recommend to lie buried
in a Christian like manner at the discretion of my Executors here after
named, & as for the settling of my temporal Estate which it hath
pleased God to bestow on me do order give & dispose of in the manner &
form following Viz. I will that my Funeral charges, & all my Just
debts be first paid & satisfied, Item I lend to my wife Jane Borden
the use of my negre. Man Isom, my negre Boy Joe, & my negre girl
Hannah, my young boy nurse, one feather bed & furniture, & two trunk
during her natural life. Item I give and bequeath to my Son Levi Borden
all my land lying on Gran river in the State of Kentucky also my
negre women vield Ther son bury & my negre boy Washington to his
Ther heirs forever. I give & bequeath to my Son Benjamin Joseph
Borden my negre ^{Man} boy Isom my negre lad Tom my negre boy
Rebeck, my negre girl Piles, & my negre girl Hannah together with
all my Stock, house hold & Kitchen furniture, my Gray Horse &
young bay Horse excepted which I desire to be sold, Item I give and be-
= wealth to my Grand Daughter Sally Asmell Daughter of Richard
Asmell & Rebecca his Wife my negre girl Phurlette, & five hundred
Silver dollars without any exceptions, to her & her heirs forever. Item I
give & bequeath to my Grand Son Joseph Asmell son of the said
Richard Asmell & Rebecca his wife my Negre boy Joe, & three
Hundred Silver Dollars Item I give & bequeath to my Grand Daught
Mary Asmell Daughter of the said Richard Asmell & Rebecca his
wife three hundred silver dollars Item I give & bequeath to my

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Grand Children, of William Scameters I. My Wife One thousand
Silver Dollars my Will is further that all the land for which I
Contracted with W. John Wallis on which I now live, should be
Sold, & further that All the lands lying in the State of Virginia
left to me by my Fathers last will & Testament Also, the land
for the land which I contracted with my Brother in Law
Thomas Branson, and my Sister Deborah Morrey, two of the leg-
legates of my Fathers will, for which I have commenced
a suit in the high Court of Chancery, the said Lands & other to be
Sold by my Executors hereafter named two fifth of the value of the said
lands lying in the State of Virginia after ample relation be-
ing made for their expence & trouble, I bestow upon my Executors,
& constitute, Ordain & appoint my son Levi Borden, & Benjamin
Joseph Borden my executors & the said Levi Borden & Benjamin
Joseph Borden are hereby authorized to dispose of the lands above men-
tioned & I do hereby empower them the said executors to make con-
veyances & to execute Deeds & I do further nominate & appoint and
authorize the said executors to carry on & manage the suit commenced
against Robert Harvey & others in the high Court of Chancery in the State
of Virginia & they are thereby authorized & have full power & authority
to do carry on & perform the same as I could have done were I person-
ally presented, My Will is further that all my estate, or the remain-
der thereof arising from the sales of the said lands together with
other things that I have not heretofore given away by legacies my Will
that it shall be equally divided between my son Levi Borden, Benjamin
Joseph Borden & my daughter Mary Scameters, but provided the remainder the am-
ount of the different sales of the said lands together with other things is not sufficient to
discharge the different Legacies each legatee shall

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Receive a sum in proportion to the sum arising from the different sales But provided
any Obstacle should intervene so as to prevent the recovery of the said lands
the aforesaid money Legacies are hereby revoked & rendered null & void, exclusive
of that of Sarah Asmet, which shall not be conditional but positive I do hereby
declare this to be my last will & testament & making void all other Wills or
Wills by me or made I declare this only to be my last will & testament In
Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal
the day & year above written Signed Sealed & delivered in the presence
of
Jas
Jest Braxton Bryan Jurat Joseph Borders
Seth Nathan. Monty Church Jurat
Thomas Snoddy Jurat
Thad

In the name of God I, John William Beard of Inlet County & State of
North Carolina being weak in body but of sound mind & memory calling to
mind the mortality of my body & knowing that it is appointed once for all men
to die do constitute make & ordain this my last will & testament in witness
whereof I first of all I recommend my soul to God who gave it nothing doubting
but at the general resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty
power of God & my body I recommend to the earth to be buried in decent Chri-
stian burial at the discretion of my executor hereafter named & as to such
such worldly estate as it has pleased God to bless me with in this life I
give & demise & dispose of in the following manner I join viz first I give &
bequeath to my two sons David & Thomas all my lands to be equally
divided between them agreeable to an article between us now lying in
the hands of Alex^r. Wilson also I give & bequeath to William Newstone
my negro boy Harry providing nevertheless that Agnes Newstone
his mother shall have the use of said boy during her natural life
also I give & bequeath unto William Beard my negro girl Felt