

In the name of God Amen this 12th day
of May in the year of our Lord Eighteen hundred ¹⁸⁰⁷ Nine I
John M. Conalder S^r of the County of Iredell in the state of
North Carolina being old & Stricken in years I not in a good state
of health but of perfect sound mind & memory I Calling to
mind my mortality & that it is appointed for all once to die
Do make this my Last will & Testament in the following manner
I form first of Recommending my soul to God who gave it my body
to the Earth to be buried in Christian burial without pomp hoping
through the merits Death & portion of my Lord & Savior Jesus Christ to receive
a full & free pardon of all my sins & to inherit everlasting Life.
As touching such worldly estate as God hath blessed me with in
this Life I Give & bequeath in the following manner & form.
Viz) It is my will & I order that all my Just Debts be paid & satisfied
by my Executors hereafter named including my funeral Expenses
Then I give & bequeath to my loving Wife the plantation on which
I now live my dwelling house with all the furniture therein two
choirs of two negroes, & one horse, of her own choosing four cows, six
head of Sheep, Saddle & bridle, six head of hogs & her choirs all
to be at her ^{own} disposal the house I stand Excepted but to be peacefully
reposed by her during her life & at her Death, I house & land
to descend to my son Benjamin both old & New tracks to them
their heirs and assigns for ever.

Item I give & bequeath to my Daughter Mary
husband five Shillings Sterling money to be paid twice
out of my estate to him & his heirs forever.

Item I give & bequeath to my grand sons William Andrew St. John
John Lata McConel, David St. Rees, son of Benjamin St. Conal, son
five hundred acres of land Lying & being in Cumberland to be equally
divided between them & if either of 3 boys should die before mature
age of 21 their part to be at their fathers Disposal to them their
heirs I assign forever.

Item, I Give & bequeath to my Loving sons John & Benjamin at
my Wifes Decease all my books to be equally divided between them
& their heirs forever. Item, it is my will & I order that the residue
part of my Estate heretofore not mentioned be put to sale Excepting my
wearing Apparel which I leave to my two sons Equal & the money
arising from the said sale to be equally divided between my
Wife, W^m Andrew M^{ee}, my daughter Margret, my son John, my
daughter Rebekah, my daughter Ann, my daughter Sarah, &
my daughter Jane, & my son Benjⁿ to them for ever.

Item, I name, nominate, constitute, & appoint, my loving
friend Moses Winslow, & my son Benjamin, Executors of the my
last will & Testament, hereby revoking all other wills heretofore
by me made either by word or writing & ratifying & confirming
this & no other to be my last will & Testament.

(Turn over)

182 Signed, Sealed and Forworned by the said

John McDonald as his last will & Testament
In the presence of us.

W^m M^r Graham

James Corner

Sa^r Price Son^r

John^r M^r Connel Sec^y

State of North Carolina
Iredell County

Shun Corner^r William^r Graham

into Court & made oath when he

did the last of John McDonald test. because that he the
said John McDonald did allow his wife her choice of two negroes
out of his stock as p^r Will, Will appear & that he the Sa^r William
Graham understood as in the above manner & form & that he
the Sa^r Dependant believes it was his real intention to bequeath
two negroes to his sa^r wife & further said not.

Sworn to in open Court

August 14th 1801

William M Graham