

Will of John Newson

March the third day 1780.

To all whom these presents shall come or that may be concerned, here with know that I John Newson of Johnston County and person of North Carolina, do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form as follows.

Item My desire is that all of my just debts be paid in due time after my decease.

Item I lend to my wife beloved wife Patience Newson two negroes namely Hannah and Jacob during her life also two hundred, and fifty acres of land whereon I now live including the plantation, with two dishes two basins and four plates with one bed, and furniture and eight cows and calves and ten head of hogs and ten head of sheep and one work horse.

Item I give to my daughter Gilphias one negro girl named Suck.

Item I give to my son Joel one negro boy named London.

Item I give to my daughter Sarah one negro girl named Luke.

Item I give to my daughter Martha, one negro girl named, ^{the}

Item I give to my daughter Elizabeth one negro boy named Ned.

Item I give to my daughter Bethana one negro girl named Rose.

Item Leave one negro boy to be sold named Sam and the money to be divided, between all my children and my desire is that the remainder part of my cattle, hogs, sheep, and household goods and horses be equally divided, between all my children.

Item I give to my son Joel all the rest of my land, not mentioned.

Item I give to my daughter Bethana, the land and negroes that I lent to my wife after her decease and my desire is that my still and money be divided, equally between my children and lastly I leave my son Joel Newson my Executor and my

and my well beloved wife executrix of this my last will and testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand, and find my seal. Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of

John ^{mark} Newson (seal)

Hardy Williamson
Johnathan Bateman