

## Will of William Tucker.

In the name of God Amen I William Tucker of Johnston County in the State of North Carolina being through the abundant mercy and goodness of God though weak in body yet of a perfect mind and memory do make and ordain this instrument of writing my last will and testament in manner and form following Viz.

*First* I lend unto my loving wife during the term of her life this plantation and house wherein I now dwell with one third part of my land. I also lend unto my said wife during the term of her life my negro man Sew and negro girl Winney. I give unto my beloved wife one roan mare and one bay gelding called Buckskin and one half of my cattle and hogs and half of my household and kitchen furniture and all my plantation tools.

*Item* I give and devise to my son William Tucker and his heirs forever all my lands with the house wherein I now dwell first receiving the lease of said house &c and one third part of my lands as aforesaid mentioned to my wife during the term of natural life. I give and bequeath to my said son my negro fellow Dwig and negro boys Charles Montgomery and Laushee and the half of my stock of cattle and hogs and household and kitchen furniture and my negro Sew and Winney and other increase after the death of my wife. I also give to my son William one roan filly and in case my said son should die without a lawful heir then and in that case I give all my estate real and personal to my son in law John Russell after the death of my wife. The remainder of my estate I leave to be sold by executors for the purpose of paying my debts and if any balance remains after paying my debts I leave the same to be equally divided between my wife and son as aforesaid. I do constitute and appoint my beloved wife Mary Tucker executrix and my friends John Russell and Robert Gulley executors of this my last will and testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 18<sup>th</sup> day of May 1797 acknowledge by the testator to contain his last will and testament in presence of

William Robertson  
Paschal Tucker

William Tucker (seal)

## Will of Thomas Oliver.

In the name of God Amen, the 8<sup>th</sup> day of September one thousand seven hundred and ninety nine, I Thomas Oliver of Johnston County and State of North Carolina being sick and weak of body but of perfect mind, and memory thanks be given to God therefore calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my last will and testament—that is to say principally and first of all I give and recommend my soul into the hands of God that gave it and for my body I recommend to the earth to be buried in a christian like and decent manner at the discretion of my executors nothing doubting but at the general 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 and dispose of the same in manner following

*Impium* I give and bequeath unto my son John Oliver one hundred and sixty five acres of land, deeded to me by Isaac Powell also one church table.

*Impium* I give and bequeath to my son Stephen Oliver one hundred acres land lying on Stephens branch also one feather bed & furniture.

*Impium* I give and bequeath unto my two sons Isaac Oliver and Alexander Oliver two hundred acres land wherein I now live to be equally divided between the two after their mothers death I also give to my son Isaac Oliver one shot gun. I also give and bequeath to my son Alexander Oliver one mare, one cow and calf.

*Impium* I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Elizabeth Oliver one mare called Pigeon with her saddle and bridle one feather bed and furniture one cow and calf and as for the remainder of my estate that is not already mentioned, I lend to my wife Elizabeth during her life

*Lastly* I do appoint my wife and her brother John Pool executors of this my last will and testament revoking and disannulling all former gifts and bequests by me made satisfying & confirming this and only this to be and contain my last will and testament the day and year first above written signed sealed published, declared and pronounced by the testator as his last will and testament. In presence of

Thomas Oliver (seal)

Jeremiah Gurley.  
Isaac Stallings.  
William Powers.