

State of North Carolina

Superior Court of Law Term 1774

This was the within last will & testament of the said deceased duly proved in open Court by the oath of Peter Smith a subscribing witness thereto & ordered to be recorded At the same time John Saunders the Executor therein named qualified as such according to Law ordered that Letters Testamentary issue accordingly

Wm. Smith Esq. Clerk

In the name of God Amen I Alexander Taylor of Wake County North Carolina being in good health sound mind & memory being to God do this first day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy one make & publish this my last will & testament in manner following that is to say I give and bequeath to David Taylor son of Philip Taylor and Susannah his wife a piece of Land lying on Quaker Run Wharves & now live a farming to Lewis Bryan and Bazel Simmons one hundred & twenty acres to him and his heirs Lawfully Begotten of his Body and again forever And I make and ordain Lewis Bryan and Edward Bryan my Executors of this my last will and Testament to see the same performed according to my true intent In Witness whereof I the said Alexander Taylor have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day & year above written

Alexander Taylor Test

Signed sealed published by the said Alexander Taylor for his last will & testament in presence of us whose names are hereunder written who did each of us subscribe as Witnesses at his request where he then was July first 1771

Edw. Bryan Philip Taylor

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This was the within last will & testament of Cornelius Taylor dec. duly proved in open Court by the oath of Edward Bryan & Philip Taylor the subscribing Witnesses & ordered to be recorded at the same time Lewis Bryan one of the Executors therein named qualified as such according to Law ordered that Letters Testamentary issue accordingly

Wm. Smith Esq. Clerk

In the name of God Amen I Alexander Taylor of the County of Wake formerly being sick and weak in body but in perfect mind and memory thanks be to God for the same calling to mind the Mercy & truth of my Duty and knowing that it is appointed for all men and women once to Die do make and ordain this my last will and Testament that is to say for everlastingly and first of all I give and recommend my soul into the hands of Almighty God that gave it and my body I recommend my to the earth to be buried in Decent Christian burial 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 a Touching such worldly estate wherewith it has pleased God to bless me in this Life I give and devise of the same in the following manner and form first I give and bequeath Alexander Taylor my beloved son one Cow and a half also my beloved Daughter Rebekah Thutson one Cow and half three pewter plates and one five point barn also to my Daughter Mary Stotts one Cow and half also to Sarah Thutson one Cow and half three pewter plates and a half gallon Basin = Also to my son Isaac Thutson one hundred acres of Land on the West side of Truss Swamp also one Bed and furniture one Horse also I give to my Daughter Sarah one Bed and furniture one Cow and Carting three pewter plates one Gallon Basin = Also I give to my three sons John Thutson Jesse Thutson and Elijah Thutson twenty Shillings apiece to be raised out of my Estate also I give to my Daughter Elizabeth Thutson one Bed and furniture three pewter