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In the name of God Amen I Joseph Gilbert being weak in
body but of sound mind and memory, Kleepe to God for the same and
calling to mind that it is appointed for man once to die do make and
ordain this my last will and Testament in manner and form following.

Item I give and bequeath to my beloved Wife Catherine all the Land lying on the
North side of Conners Branch during her life or Widowhood also a Negro
Girl named Nell during her natural life also one Sorrel Coloure Two
Beds and Furniture Two Cows and Calves Thirty head of Hogs and all
the Plantation Tools.

Item I give and bequeath to my son Edward One Hundred Acres of Land
lying on Little Chinguepin, also the land lying on the South side of Conners
Branch, also the Land Life to my Wife at her death, to my son Edward
to him and his Heirs forever. Also one Horse and Colt the horse named
Arel and Colt Shandy also One Saddle and Bridle One Yoke of Oxen
One Cow and Calf, Three and Twenty head of Hogs running on Little
Chinguepin.

Item I give and bequeath to my Son William One Negro fellow named Sam
to him and his Heirs forever. Also one Horse Saddle and Bridle at his
arrival of age. Provided my Son William should die before he arrives at the
age of Twenty One Or has an heir lawfully begotten of his body the
said Negro Sam is then to go my son Edward to him and his Heirs forever.

Item I give and bequeath to my daughters Nancey and Polly the above mentioned
Negro Girl named Nell and her increase to be equally divided between them
and their Heirs for ever after my Wifes decease.

I also give to my daughters Nancey and Polly One Bed and Furniture to each
of them also Two Cows and Calves to each of them also I give to my daughter
Polly one Hunting Saddle.

My further Will and desire is after all my just debts being paid all
my property not before devised be equally divided between my three
Youngest Children.

And lastly I do appoint and ordain my Trusty friends Richard Hoone
and John Westbrook Executors to this my last Will and Testament.

Given under my hand and seal this 5th day of October In the
Year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seven —

Signature Sealed

Acknowledged

In Presence of us

Waiman Ho Stricklin

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William Lake & Stricklin

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John & Stricklin

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North Carolina Jones County Court

The last Will of Joseph Gilbert dec^d was duly proven in open Court by the
Oath of John Stricklin one of the subscribing witnesses ordered that the
same be recorded at same time the executors therein named qualified
as such agreeable to law ordered that letters of Testamentary issue
accordingly

In the Name of God Amen.

I John Becton of the State of North Carolina and County of Jones
being in common health and of sound mind and memory thanks unto Almighty
God for the same do this thirteenth day of September in the year of our
Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Thirteen make and ordain
this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following That
is to say

Imprimis I lend to my beloved wife Susannah Becton the use and benefit of
the Lands and Plantation whereon I now live, purchased of the Heirs and Repre-
sentatives of Clement Prichard dec^d except the Lot st. 6. known by the name
Rice Field and one half of Lot st. 1. One Dutch Fan one Cotton Gin the use
and labour of five negroes namely old Daniel Dinah Thamer Charles and old
Sarah, to her during her widowhood and no longer also I lend to my beloved wife
Susannah the use and labour of two of the negroes herein after to be given to
my daughter Elizabeth and son Simon S Becton her choice from each of
their lots during her widowhood or until they arrive of age or marry and no
longer.