

testament in presence of my who were present at
the signing & sealing thereof
Test. Wm. A. Fitzgerald Jurat Susanna^{or} Spain (Grd.)
Jas T. Hixson - Mark -

Elizabeth Sargason's Will.

I Elizabeth Sargason of the County of Lincoln and
State of North Carolina being of sound mind & memory
but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence
do make & declare this my last will & testament
in manner & form following that is to say first that
Executors (herein after named) shall provide for my body
a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my relations
& friends. I pay all my funeral expenses together with
my just debts hereunto & whomsoever owing out
of the moneys that may first come into their
hands as a part or parcel of my estate. Item second
I give & devise unto my daughter Mary Ann Sargason
all this tract of land wherein I now live to have
& to hold to her & her heirs in fee simple forever
I also give & devise unto my said daughter Mary
Ann Sargason my Negro Woman named Milly & her
three eldest children (viz) a boy named George near
eight years old, another boy named Cato about six
years old & a girl named Sarah about four years
of age. I also give & devise to my said daughter
two beds & furniture her choice, my two walnut tables

my Cupboard & contenty six chairs her choice
 And all my Kitchen furniture, also our hand basket
 the side Saddle Biddle two cow scales, &c.
 her choice in the above mentioned stock
 all the domestic fowl & poultry, also my Threshing
 Machine Wind Mill to her & her heirs forever.
 Now third, I will bequeath unto James Ferguson
 (Widow of Andrew Ferguson dead) my negro woman
 named Hannah to her & her personal repre-
 =sentatives forever. Now fourth, I give & bequeath
 unto Mary McArthur (daughter of Thomas McArthur)
 the bed Furniture as her property forever.
 Now fifth, my will & desire is, that my negro man
 named Jack my negro girl named Nancy both
 be sold, also that all the residue of my estate
 (if any after taking out the debts & legacies above
 mentioned) shall be sold & the moneys owing to me
 all collected & if there should be any surplus
 over & above the payment of debts & legacies
 that such surplus shall after paying to my son
 as headstone be equally divided between James Ferguson
 (son of Andrew Ferguson dead) Elizabeth ~~daughter~~ (daughter
 of Francis Beattie) Sarah Fells (daughter of David L
 Fells) Thomas McFerguson (son of said Andrew Ferguson
 dead) and Mary McArthur (daughter of Thomas
 McArthur) to each of them I share alike
 to the

All the domestic fowl & Houſhold, alſo my Threſhing
Machine Wind Mill to her & her heirs forever.
Item Third. I will bequeath unto Jane Ferguson
(Widow of Andrew Ferguson dec'd) my negro woman
named Anniah to her & her personal Repre-
=sentatives forever. Item fourth. I give & bequeath
unto Mary McArthur (daughter of Thomas McArthur)
my bed Furniture as her property forever.
Item fifth. My Will & deſire is, that my negro man
named Jack my negro Girl named Mary both
be ſold, alſo that all the reſidue of my eſtate
(if any after taking out the deſires & legacies above
mentioned). Shall be ſold & the debts owing to me
all collected. If there ſhould be any Surplus
over & above the payment of debts & expenſes, Legacies
that ſuch Surplus ſhall after proceeding to my ſon
a headſtand be equally divided between James Ferguson
(ſon of Andrew Ferguson dec'd) Elizabeth ~~daughter~~ (daughter
of Francis Beattie) Sarah Falls (daughter of David L
Falls) Thomas McFerguson (ſon of ſaid Andrew Ferguson
dec'd) And Mary McArthur (daughter of Thomas
McArthur) to each of them I ſhare alike
to them their heirs & aſſigns forever. And laſtly
I do hereby conſtitute & appoint my truſty friends
Andrew Lord Esqr & James Ferguson my lawful
executors to all intents & purpoſes to execute this
my laſt Will & Teſtament, according to the true

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intent meaning of the same every part & clause
thereof, hereby revoking & declaring utterly void all other
wills & testaments, by me heretofore made. In witness
whereof I the said Elizabeth Ferguson do hereunto set
my hand & seal this twenty fourth day of June one
thousand eight hundred forty five

signed sealed published & declared Elizabeth Ferguson
by the said Elizabeth Ferguson to be
her last will & testament in presence of us who at her
request, in her presence in the presence of each other do
subscribe our names as witnesses thereto

W. J. P. Adams Junr

John H. Adams Junr