

And her children if she should have any is to be sold and
the money price Equally Divided amongst my four Daughters
and all my have told you and every individual that as
yet mentioned is to be sold and given with my wife to her use
and at her own Disposal for ever and further more I make
main, constitute and appoint my well Beloved wife Sarah
Innkeeper and my son Thos. Innkeeper and Speller Ward
Executors and Executors of this my last will and testament
as though my hand and seal this Eighth Day of June in
the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and
seventy seven

Signed, Sealed &
In presence of us
John Dupont
Cader Biggs
Marcom Short

Witness
William M. M. M. M.
mark

Martin D. July Court 1777 Then the above
County Will & Testament was proved in
Open Court In Due form of Law by the oath
of Marcom Short a subscribing Witness thereto
and on motion ordered to be Recorded

Test Thos. Hunter

In the name of God amen, the seventh day of
May 1777 Elizabeth Gardner of the County of Warr
being very Sick and weak in body but of perfect
mind and memory thanks be given to God thought fitting
to mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing that
it is appointed for all flesh once to die I 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 and my body to the Earth
to be Buried in Decent Christian Burial at the Discretion
of my Executors Nothing Withholding that at the General
Resurrection I shall Receive the same again by the
mighty power of God, and as touching such worldly
estate where with it hath pleased God to bless me with
in this life, I give, devise and Dispose of the same in
the following manner and form

First I give and Bequeath unto my son in Law
Thomson four shilling proclamation money to be
Paid out of my Estate

Item I give to my son in Law John flye four shilling
proclamation money to be Paid out of my Estate

Item I give to Mary Simson one shilling and half

Item I give and Bequeath to my four children James
Joseph Henry Cooper Edward Cooper and

Elizabeth all my Real Estate without Fine
and Within to be Equally Divided Between them

on an all that is Not already Bequeathed to them my
proper use for ever

Notifying and Confirming this to be my last will
and Testament, and shortly constitute and appoint

Elizabeth Gardner Will

Edward Cooper Thomas comes to be my last will & testament
to this my last will and testament and I hereby
utterly Disallow Revoke and Cancell all other other
former Testament will Legues and Bequests or Executors
by one annas Named willed and Bequested Ratifying
and Confirming this and no other to be my last will &
Testament in Witness whereof I have hereunto set my
hand and seal the Day and Year above written

Signed sealed and Delivered
In the presence of us } Elizabeth ^{his} Gardner
Mark
Samuel Gardner
Edward Cooper Junr.

Martin J. J. J. Court 1777 Then the Above Will.
County of July Court 1777 Then the Above Will.
The last will & testament was proved to be the last
deceased in due form of Law by the Oath of
Samuel Gardner a subscribing Witness Hereto
and on motion Ordered to be Recorded
Ls. Tho. Kunkler

In the Name of God Amen, I Elizabeth ^{his} Gardner
of the County of Martin in North Carolina being in
a Very poor state of health but of perfect mind and
memory thanks be to almighty god for the same, calling to
mind the mortality of my body I make this my last will
and Testament in manner and form following (viz)
First and principally I bequeath my soul into the hands
of almighty God that gave it and my Body to the Earth
to be Buried in a Christian manner at the Discretion
of my Executors hereafter Named and as to such worldly
Estate wherewith it hath pleased almighty God to bless
me with I Dispose of as follows

I give and Bequeath unto my well Beloved son John
Gardner one shilling Sterling, I also Give and Bequeath unto
his three first Children Sarah Mary & William the one
Sixth part of my Estate to them and there heirs for ever
I give and Bequeath unto My Well Beloved Son John
Gardner my best bed and furniture and Bedstead one large
Black walnut oval Table the Chest that was called his
father and all the plow Roes and hoes and the labor of my
poor and poor servants and all the tools about the plantation
on and about Martin

I give and Bequeath unto Robert Capistrano
Gardner Forty Shillings

I give and Bequeath unto John Ward one hundred
Shillings

I give and Bequeath unto William Gardner
Forty Shillings

I give and Bequeath unto my grand son John
Forty Shillings

Elizabeth ^{his} Gardner Will