

Rowley Satyr. and I have been married and  
After my wife Marys and will leave in that  
one Negro man called Jerry and all my stock of Cattle  
and Hogs be sold and my household furniture and  
Cott that now stands at my place of the Negroes except  
as be sold for hard Money and the Money to be apply-  
ed to use of Raising the Children the Children to  
Come from my Wife and put in care of some person at  
the discretion of my Executors to be Educated and kept  
till they are about 15 years of Age and then they shall  
Negroes Bound to some good Trade

And I Henry Mose and declare my loving friends  
John this John Swallow and John Williams  
witness of this my last will and Testament Henry Mose  
thing and Dismissing all other Will that I have  
By me made I Make whereof I have Robert Menden  
Davidson have to Witness last will and Testament  
my Hand and Seal the Day and Year first above  
Written

Signe sealed published and Declared  
By the said Barthle Menden and Davidson  
The Testator in his last Will and Testament  
Confessing of us who were present at  
The time of making and Signing thereof

Joseph Cropper  
his  
John I Jones  
Mose  
his  
Davidson  
Mose

Barthle Menden  
his  
Davidson  
Mose

### In the name of God Amen

I the said Thomas being Sick and weak but of perfect memory  
and Memory thank be to Almighty God for the same in  
Calony to Mind the uncertainty of Man's life I do bequeath  
and bequeath this to be my last will and Testament in witness  
whereof I have following first and Principally Give and bequeath  
and my sole to give that give it me and my body to be  
in the said Christian Manner Also Give and bequeath  
unto my Daughter Fenton Menden my Manour plantation  
where I lived in Golden Hill all the furniture this to be my  
Will give her and her husband James Menden to be my  
Heir and name I Give Also my two Acres of land and my  
Also Give my household Goods that is at Thomas Menden  
to be Divided Between James Menden and William Menden  
that I have Dividing with Blunt I will mention the  
particulars I Give to Blunt one full Table Kitchen give him  
one set one Stilet one foyon four <sup>old</sup> Chairs and 2  
of further plates two Dishes a pair of Sticks Kitchen give him  
The plantation where Gabriel Stephens Die live and all the  
Land Belonging to it Down to John Mays and two two  
to Thomas Give Also to James Menden and Fenton  
his wife all my Ready Money Give Also to John Menden  
one hundred that I Give Also to Thomas Menden one hundred  
that I Give Also to James Menden and Fenton Menden  
All the remainder of my household Goods and tools and all  
my Dishes which is due to me Give Also to my Grandson  
John Menden a full price of land lying between my house  
plantation live and Menden live I Give Also to my  
Brother Joseph Menden one Negro man called Sam During  
his Natural life and after his Death I Give him to James  
Menden and his wife and also all my books Menden  
And I Give James Menden and Doctor Menden  
My whole estate to this my last will and Testament  
Witnessing the other three or four before the

Third from Apparent to me  
I do And so hereby acknowledge him to be my last  
And testament given under my hand and seal this  
22<sup>nd</sup> day of July 1784

R. Menden



Joseph Rice  
Wm. Menden  
David Goodrich

In the Name of God Amen, I Henry Wade of Martin  
County & State of North Carolina being very sick  
of sound Mind & memory thank to Almighty God  
for the same & knowing that it is appointed for all men  
Once to die, have made and obtained this to be my  
last Will & Testament first of all I recommend my soul  
into the hands of Almighty God who gave it & my body to  
be decently Buried —

Item I give and bequeath to my Well beloved sister Fanny Wade  
An Negro man named Sander one two year old man on  
four head of cattle ten yards of white linen to her and her heirs  
for ever —

Item I give and bequeath to my Well beloved Brother William  
Wade one bay mare called Nancy, one piece of Buff three  
yards of white lining one blue suit of clothes from cloth to  
him and his heirs for ever. —

Item I give & bequeath to my Well beloved Brother George  
Wade one bay horse called Tom one suit of blue homespun  
cloath linen and white linen one piece of moss I leave to  
him and his heirs for ever —

Item I give and bequeath to my Well beloved sister Elizabeth  
Wade one white linen yard, white linen, five dollars in  
silver to her and her heirs for ever —

Item I give and bequeath to my Well beloved father Henry  
Wade one third Part of a small little bought of Thomas Wade  
& also one third Part of all the Pigger land my to have  
uple one Coat & piece of brooch of broad cloth & all  
he have that to me belonged at the time he died and his  
heirs for ever —

Henry Wade of Martin County & State of North Carolina being very sick  
of sound Mind & memory thank to Almighty God  
for the same & knowing that it is appointed for all men  
Once to die, have made and obtained this to be my  
last Will & Testament first of all I recommend my soul  
into the hands of Almighty God who gave it & my body to  
be decently Buried —

Item I give & bequeath to my Well beloved Brother William  
Wade my services from the 1<sup>st</sup> of January 1784 to the 1<sup>st</sup> of  
January 1785 for ever —

Item I give & bequeath to my Well beloved Brother George  
Wade one gun he best that I own to him & his heirs for ever —

Item I appoint George Wade my Father's only brother  
William Wade Executors to this my last Will & Testament  
revoking all other former Will or Wills by me made  
acknowledging this to be my last Will & Testament in  
Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal  
22<sup>nd</sup> Day of July 1784

Published Pronounced &  
Declared to be my last Will  
& Testament in Presence of

Henry Wade

John Pierce  
his  
Clerk of Pierce  
Mark

In the Name of God, A Woman, this 22<sup>nd</sup> day  
of June in the year of our Lord 1784, Mary Menden  
County of Martin in the State of North Carolina  
being of sound Mind & memory thank to  
Almighty God, knowing that it is appointed for all men  
Once to die, have made and obtained this to be my  
last Will & Testament, that I may  
Primarily and finally of all I give & recommend my soul  
into the hands of Almighty God that I may be  
after John Pierce I give and bequeath all that is in my hands  
I give likewise to my Brother John Menden I give him  
that is in his hands all the ready money I give to him  
and his heirs for ever —