

My Estate I set as will other part to be sold & paid
amongst my children including the one that my wife is
left with - The land as well as other parts of my Estate I
influence my wife Margaret & her brother Thomas Wier who
I alone constitute & certain to be my Executrix of this my last
will & Testament to sell when they see necessary for the use of
family & convey a proportionable to the land when sold. I do her
utterly disallow such & demands all & every other like
testament, legacies & executors by me in any wise before the
time named, witness & beareth, Ratifying & confirming
this & no other my last will & Testament, in witness -
whereof I have caused set my hand & seal the day & year
above written - Robert Houston

Robert Houston
Thomas Wier
Samuel Davis

George Houston

In the Name of God Amen. The 6th day of January 171
I Karen Houston of Carolina & Barbadoes being then
the husband man & master of your tho' weather be
got of a sound perfect understanding & memory do consti-
tute this my last will & Testament where it may be received by
all as such, his friends I most humbly begeath my Gods
God my Master beseeching his most gracious acceptance of
tho' this sufficient merit & in view of my most long life
and the Name Jesus Christ Amen. By God he God. This will
I give my body to the earth, from whence it was taken
full assurance of its Resurrection from thence at that
day before my burial & desire it may be decent without
pomp or state at the discretion of my dear wife & her
sons & daughters & dividing my worldly effects where
it health pleased God to bless me both in this life & in
eternal happiness in the following manner & form viz
I nominate constitute certain & appoint my dear
beloved wife & my brother William & my kind neighbour Henry
Dawson Executors of this my last will & Testament whom I dictate

to pay all my funeral debts & several charges before any division
made of my personal effects & then by them duly to be performed and
fulfilled according to the true intent & meaning hereof -

I give & bequeath to my loving wife all the furniture of my house also
all weaving apparel her Riding Saddle & one bay filly called Diamond
a Negro jellion called Jim so long as she can keep him if she
herself should prove stalebone so that she dont care to keep him
allow my executors to make sale of him & money arising therefrom
to be equally divided among my children I likewise give & bequeath
to my loving wife the House I now live in & plantation adjoining
it during her widowhood one two year old grey colt or horse
called Rose horse one mare called Mullica mare & also four Milch
cows two two year old others two Yearlings as she shall see cause to
be out of my stock likewise my Stock of Hogs, like wife my Corn
& other grain that is useful for the family & such tools as she thinks
will be most useful for the plantation - Item I give & bequeath
unto my beloved sons David & James after their mothers wedowhood
or death the plantation I now live on & all my lands adjoining to it
including three dees - Item Item I give & bequeath to my beloved
son John three hundred acres of Land lying being in the County of
Rockbridge in the province of N^t Carolina on Crooked creek
the Patent bearing date the 30th of January 1773 & Number 465
Item I give & bequeath to my beloved daughters Agnes & Mary
thirty pounds lawful money, and all other effects to be sold &
equally divided among my sons, likewise I desire my brother
should not be sold but converted to the use of my children as
their mother shall see cause for want of whereof I have
at my hand and witness present.

James Houston &
Isabell Stewart &
Joseph Davis }

James Houston Esq^r

In the Name of God Amen. I Habert Hall late of Rowan
County & State of N^t Carolina, but now residing in Rockbridge
County with Thomas & his son in the State aforesaid, being for
some time sickly & weak in body, and blessed in the Lord