

children what money is owing to me of the former Estate I leave to my
son Robert, I leave my spinning wheel to be kept for my daughter
Mary, I leave the Room & its furniture & big wheel to Jane Anne, I
leave my small chest to my son John, the thick cloth falling the
covering of it to be paid back my other just debts and the cloth to be
made into cloths for my children, I leave my silk gown to Sarah
Daff my other gown I leave to Jane Anne, and I do bid my Hogs to
be sold for the advantage of my Children - and I do hereby disannul
to make all other wills, testaments Legacies or Bequests by me at any
time heretofore made or begotten, Ratifying & confirming this
one above to be my last will & Testament, In witness whereof I have
hereunto set my hand & seal This 7th day of February in the year of our
Lord 1781. Signed sealed, published pronounced and
declared to be my last will & Testament in presence of the
Subscribers who in the presence of each other have subscribed
the names James Sample
Henry Granleis }
Catharine Sample
Mary Morrison


In the name of God Amen, I Andrew Steele of the County of New Hanover
in the State of North Carolina, being very sick & weak, but of perfect
sound mind & memory, Do make the following clauses, as my last
Will & Testament, I order my Corpse to be buried in Christian like
& decent form at the discretion of my Executors. I bequeath my
soul to God that gave it, And Touching such worldly effects as
pleased God to bless me with at this time, I give & devise in the
following manner. I give & bequeath to my beloved wife Eliza
one Brown Mass branded this 5th on back & bedclothes, and her
weaving cloths together with her spinning wheel, one lace & half
8th, half of the household furniture gold I bequeath to my
Daughter Jane one lace & bedding, the other half of the household
furniture, one lace & half, And gold I give & bequeath unto my
two sons Robert & James my plantation that I now live on
to be equally divided between them, Reserving to my wife her
use of her inheritance off the same plantation, likewise
to my two sons each of them a Horse, together with their working tools.

18. Together with my wearing Apparel, I desire the remainder part of my
Stock for the use of my wife & children during her widowhood or their
Minority & then to be Equally divided among my three children --
I constitute & appoint John Wilson, James & Charles & my wife Eliza
my executors and I allow them to dispose of such part of Stock as
can be best shared for the schooling of the children &c &c If my wife
Marrys she may remain on the lands if the executors see fit --
In witness whereunto I have set my hand & seal this 6th day of
November in the year of our Lord 1781 In the presence of

John Scott Andrew H. Earle
William & Morry

19. In the name of God Amen. I Joseph Mitchell of Bucklbury
County & State of Carolina being thro' the abundance of mercy of
the goodness of God this week in body yet perfect understanding &
memory. Do constitute this my last will & testament & desire it may be
recorded by all as such, first of most humbly begin with my son to God
my maker beseeching his most gracious acceptance of it, thro' the all
sufficient mediation of my most compassionate redeemer who gave
himself to be an offering for my sins & is able to save to the utmost
all men. I commit to God by him, seeing he will be to make intercession
for them, that he I trust will not reject me a returning penitent
sinner when I come to him, for mercy, in this hope & confidence I render
up my soul with respect, Humbly beseeching the all glorious Trinity
our Gods all glorious & merciful to prepare me for the time of my Disso-
lution & take me to himself into that rest & incomparable felicity which
he has prepared for them that love & serve his Holy Name. I now beseech
my God, I give my body to the Earth from whence it was taken in full
assurance of its resurrection at the last day and as for my burial
I desire it may be decent without superfluity at the direction of my
dear wife, & my executors hereafter named, who I doubt not will manage
it with all Requisite decorum. As to my worldly Estate, I will so
humbly desire that all my lawfull debts be paid. First I give to
my dear & loving wife one small house, a black yearling Calf & her
flock, I likewise give to her all the utensils belonging to the House
Kitchen & such as bacon, turnips, Brooks, wool, Cotton, Hay and