

69 In the name of God Amen. Henry Trespagnan of Mecklenburg
County State of N. Carolina Geo. being very sick & weak in body but
perfect mind & memory blessed be God for that am having considered
the mortality of this transitory world well know that it is
appointed for all men to die. Therefore thought proper to make
& declare this my last Will & Testament touching & concerning this
worldly Estate, where with it has pleased God to bless me in this life
and first of all I recommend my soul into the hands of Almighty
God who gave it me; and my body to be buried in a Christian &
decent manner according to the direction of my Executors named
executors. And further I give & bequeath unto my well beloved
wife Christina the only & free possession of the present house & habitation
wherein I now live together with all such moveable Household &
Furniture, furniture, as also all beds, bedsteads, clothes & all other
personal Estates of what kind or denomination they might be during
her my said wife's natural life without any interruption or Possession
of my heirs or Executors. further I give & bequeath unto her my
said wife sufficient firewood cut & hauled to the door of the
said house fit for her my said wife's household use, further I give
& bequeath to my said wife twelve bushels of clean and good
merchantable wheat & Ditto of the same quality twelve bushels
of Corn yearly & every year to be delivered to her my said wife
during her natural life and also the said wheat & Corn to be
brought to the mill & the mill home again according to her
order & direction, further I give & bequeath to her my said wife
two Cows & two Calves, Pasturage in the Summer & fodder & good
Stable in the winter, also I give & bequeath to her my said wife my
present bay mare & also Saddle & Stable in winter & Pasture in
Summer, also I give & bequeath to her my said wife my whole Stock
of hogs, further I give & bequeath to her my said wife one hundred
weight of Good fat pork & fifty weight of ditto Beef to be delivered
to her my said wife yearly & every year during her natural life
further I give & bequeath to her my said wife yearly & every year
during her natural life Eight pounds of Good Merchantable brood
Further I give & bequeath to her my said wife one acre of clean
Ground of the farm formerly my whole land which said ground

appointed for all men even to die, Therefore thought proper to make
I receive this my last Will & Testament, Touching & concerning this
worldly Estate, where with it has pleased God to bless me in this life
and first of all I recommend my soul into the hands of Almighty
God who gave it me; and my body to be buried in a Christian &
decent manner according to the direction of my servants named
executors. And further I give & bequeath unto my well beloved
wife Christina the only & free possession of the present house & habitation
wherein I now live together with all such moveable Household &
Kitchen furniture, as also all beds bedsteads Clothes & all other
personal Estates of what kind or denomination they might be during
her my said wife's natural life without any interruption or Possession
of my heirs or Executors. further I give & bequeath unto her my
said wife sufficient firewood cut & hauled to the door of the
said house fit for her my said wife's household use, further I give
& bequeath to my said wife twelve bushels of clean and good
chickentate wheat & Ditto of the same quality twelve bushels
of Corn yearly & every Year to be delivered to her my said wife
during her natural life and also the said wheat & Corn to be
brought to the mill & the mill home again according to her
order & directions, further I give & bequeath to her my said wife
two Cows & two Calves, Pasturage in the Summer & fodder & good
Stable in the winter, Also I give & bequeath to her my said wife my
present bay mare & also Fodder & Stable in winter & pasture in
Summer, Also I give & bequeath to her my said wife my whole flock
of hogs, further I give & bequeath to her my said wife one hundred
weight of Good fat pork & fifty weight of ditto Beef to be delivered
to her my said wife yearly & every Year during her natural life
further I give & bequeath to her my said wife yearly & every Year
during her natural life Eight pounds of Good Merchantable Iron
Further I give & bequeath to her my said wife one acre of clear
Ground of the first quality upon my whole land which said ground
to be dugged & plowed & in every way well ordered yearly & every
Year during her natural life which my said wife may use &
plant with such kind of seeds as she pleases, And to her Choice to

4
like the said acre of ground from my said land where she pleases
also the full use & benefit of the present Kitchen Garden upon my
said Habitation to be changed Ditched & ordered in the best manner
during her my said wife's life. I give & bequeath to
my said wife full liberty for her self her cows & creatures (Liberty
to ^{keep} much fowls as she pleases) Ingeese, Eggeese & Geese in & upon my
whole land & plantation during her life time.
Further I give & bequeath to my Oldest son Fesperman the sum of two
hundred lawful money of N^c Carolina as a regardation to his Elder ship
& forty shillings more to be paid to him out of my said Estate six years
after my decease; Further I give & bequeath to my son John
Fesperman & to his heirs & assigns for ever the land & plantation where
I now live contains two hundred & twenty acres more or less on
Term & Condition follows. I give deliver & completely fulfill all
such articles & legacies here above before mentioned specified &
enumerated of wheat Corn &c. to my wife Christiana with
out any Alteration Inconvenience or hindrance & to have &
keep the Buildings, Improvements bequeathed to my wife in the
constant & best repair & neither he my said son John
Fesperman nor his Heirs Executors, Administrators nor attorney
agent or Creditor not to be intitled to sell the said land nor
any part of it during my said wife's natural life time
without her my said wife's and my executors minde Ex^{co}
Consent and also to pay forty pounds lawful money of
N^c Carolina into the hands of my said Executors in four
equal times & payments the first payment to be pay able
twelve months after my decease & Twelve months after
the first payment the second & so on till the sum of forty
pounds be fully paid according to bond & security to be given
for the same which said money to be contributed & paid to my other
Children as follows, four pounds Harsh to my deest son Michael
Fesperman as above said, & then the rest of thirty six pounds I give &
bequeath in like & equal shares to my son Frederick Fesperman
& Margaret the daughter of my son Henry Fesperman deed and to
Margaret entered to Henry Fesperman & then their lawful
Heirs & assigns in like & equal shares with other moveable Effects

My said wife full liberty for her self her coirs & children (to wit)
to much ^{high} ~~as~~ ^{as} she pleases) Ingeers, Egeers & Regers in & upon my
whole land & plantation during her life time.
Further I give & bequeath to my Oldest son Fesperman the sum of two
hundred lawful money of N^c Carolina as a regardation to his Eldership
& forty Shillings more to be paid to him out of my said Estate six years
after my decease. Further I give & bequeath to my son John
Fesperman & to his heirs & assigns for ever the land & plantation where
I now live. contains Two hundred & Twenty acres more or less on
Term & Condition following. I give deliver & completely fulfill all
such articles & legacies here above before mentioned specified &
enumerated of School Corn &c &c to my wife Christine with
out any Alteration Inconsistency or hindrance & to keep &
keep the Buildings, Improvements bequeathed to my wife in the
constant & best repair & neither he my said son John
Fesperman nor his Heirs Executors, Administrators nor attorney
agent or Creditor not to be intitled to sell the said land nor
any part of it during my said wife's natural life time
with out her my said wife and my heirs heirs Executors
Consent and also to pay forty pounds lawful money of
N^c Carolina into the hands of my said Executors in four
equal times & payments the first payment to be payable
twelve months after my decease & Twelve months after
the first payment the second & so on till the sum of forty
pounds be fully paid according to bonds & securities to be given
for the same to which said money to be contributed & paid to my other
Children as follows, four pounds thereof to my oldest son Michael
Fesperman as above said, & then the rest of thirty six pounds I give &
bequeath in like & equal shares to my son Frederick Fesperman
& Margaret the daughter of my son Henry Fesperman De^d and to
Margaret entombed to Henry Nicks & to them their lawful
Heirs & assigns; and what concerns my other moveable Effects
not bequeathed already above the said shall be sold capable
within four weeks after my decease & the money & sum out
of the said shall be used & expended to pay my funeral & other debts

and Expenses & if it not should be sufficient then the Arriars must
 be taken out of the said forty pounds before the division, & each of
 my legates to suffer an equal deduction—further I give & bequeath
 to my said wife Christina the sum of seven hundred lawful
 money of N^o Carolina, of said to be paid to her thirty days after
 my decease, and I give full power to my said wife to do use
 expend & be a testament make over & give all her above said legins
 as she please & judge to do and in accidents the my said wife
 should become unable to maintain herself then my said son John
 shall without any charge or demand support her in all her
 =stanes as need may require—Also lastly I constitute & appoint
 my trusty, friends Boston Leroy & Henry Long to be my lawful
 executors of this my last will & Testament with full power to sign
 seal execute & make over to my said son John his heirs and to his
 heirs all such lawful tenings & conveyances over the said land above
 bequeathed to him so completely as I myself could or might do
 according to this my said will & Testament, & I revoke & make
 void all other will & Testaments by me before made & declare
 this only to be my last will & Testament, In confirmation
 whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal dated the 2^d day of
 July 1791. in the 15th of American Independence—
 Signed Seal executed & declared by the said
 Henry Ferpman as his last will & Testament
 in the presence of us as witnesses thereto

To George J. Jones & George
 To Simbach

Henry Ferpman 

23

In the name of God Amen. I Phillis Fort of the County of
 Mecklenburg & State of N^o Carolina single woman being of sound
 & disposing mind & memory, do make & ordain this my last will
 & Testament in manner & form following that is to say. I hereby
 will & order that all my just debts & general charges be paid &
 discharged by my executors herein after named—

First I give & bequeath unto James Rivers son of John Rivers
 one Negro boy 