

mentioned. As for my worldly Estate which it hath
pleased God to bless me with I desire it may be given
after my deceased Expenses & just debts are paid as follows
Viz I give & bequeath to my beloved wife the plantation
whereon I now live, her life time & at her decease to my
beloved son William Stewart his heirs & assigns forever
I give & bequeath the half of my land lying on North
Side Creek the upper end of the Survey to my beloved
son James Stewart his heirs & assigns forever & the remain-
der of said tract to be sold & the money arising from said
sale to be applied in paying my debts, I bequeath to
my beloved wife all my household furniture & plate
& gear & a Room where & a Brown Horse & two cows & the
largest of my Bulls, And the remainder of my Estate after
debts are paid to be equally divided among my four
daughters Viz Agnes, Elizabeth, Margaret & Jane Stewart
And do hereby constitute & appoint my beloved wife to be
Steward & my dear friend James Houston as my Executors
to this my last will & Testament. Given under my hand
At date this 25th day of September 1777

Witness

Henry Deane

Hugh Houston

Robert Stewart

In the Name of God Amen, I Henry Deane of the County
of Rockbridge & State of Carolina being very weak of body
but of perfect memory & mind Thanks be given to God calling
to mind the mortality of my body, knowing that it is appointed
unto all men to die do make & declare this my last will
& Testament, That is to say primarily & first of all I give
& recommend my soul into the hands of Almighty God
that gave it. Secondly my body to be buried in the earth
in a decent & Christian manner at the direction of
my Executors without doubting but the general Resur-
rection I shall receive the same again by the Mercy
of God. And as touching such worldly Estate

where with it hath pleased the Almighty God to bless me
with. I give & devise & dispose of the same in the follow-
ing manner & form, First I Order in my will that all my
lawful dues, debts & charges be paid out of my reasonable
Effects. Secondly I give & bequeath unto my well beloved
wife Elizabeth Sopeman the following that she is to
have the peaceable possession in the House wherein I
now live as long as she remains a widow. And give her
her Bed & my bed more this she is to enjoy free besides
her third of the Movable Goods, but if she marries
again said more & her Bed is to be sold & she to have the
third part of the amount & the remainder to be divided
amongst all my Children, & she is to receive Seventy
five pounds of hard money & she is to have of the money
which I have at present if enough & if not then the Re-
mainder as soon as it can be got this sum she is to have
free if she marries or not. Secondly I give & bequeath to my
well beloved son Henry Sopeman being my eldest son the
the sum of Fifty pounds hard money to be levied out of
my Estate to be given to him Intersitancy of the rest &
then the improvement that I bought of Godfrid Laps
with three hundred acres of Land to be laid off to him
by the vestry, And to my son Michael Sopeman the spring
which is up towards Slithleders with three hundred
acres adjoining Slithleders; And my son John Sopeman
is to have my plantation with the mill after paying his
youngest brother Jacob Sopeman the sum of one hundred
pounds of hard money for his part Equal or in proportion with
his brother in the land way. Also my son John is to provide
& provide such necessaries for maintenance of his that is, for
for two horses & grain for Hogs as many as may be sufficient
for her maintenance as long as she remains a widow.
And to my daughter Catherine Sopeman the sum of seventy
five pounds of hard money to be taken out of the same
And to my daughter Sophia Sopeman the like sum of seventy
five pounds of hard money also out of the said lands, & also
to my daughter Catherine Sopeman the like sum of seventy

five pounds of hard money out of said bonds, And to my daughter
Elizabeth Sepman the like sum of seventy five pounds of hard
 money out of said bonds, And to my youngest daughter Mary
 Sepman the like sum of seventy five pounds of hard money
 of the same bonds, And if there be any sum a lacking out
 of the bond or bonds that don't compleat the said sums for
 my daughters it shall be taken & liened out of my moveable
 goods to compleat said sums, & the residue & all the Re-
 mainder of my goods shall be sold at public auction & my
 just debts & charges shall be paid out of them & the
 remainder shall be divided amongst all my Children after
 my wife Elizabeth Sepman has Drawd her third of said
 sum that is remaining of the moveables, This all I do give
 & bequeath to the parties above mentioned by them freely
 to be enjoyed - Also I do hereby appoint & make John
 Herringe & Daniel Boye my true & trusty friends & ex-
 ecutors of this my last will & Testament, I do hereby dis-
 allow & Rescind all other wills, Testaments former legacies
 Executors any way before mine, written & bequeathed, But
 Ratifying Confirming this & no other to be my last will and
 Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand
 & seal this 28th day of January 1783 in the 7th year of the Ame-
 rican Independence - Signed, Sealed, published pronounced
 & declared by the said Henry Sepman as his last will and
 Testament in the presence of us, who in his presence & in
 the presence of each other have subscribed our names.

Leonard Green

John Boye

Witness

Henry Sepman

In the name of God Amen, I Walter Smiley of the County
 of Beeklenburg & State of N. Carolina, being weak of body,
 but of perfect mind & memory & knowing that it is appointed
 for all men once to die, Do make & declare this my last will
 & Testament, Principally & first of all I give & bequeath
 my soul into the hands of almighty God living &