

beis are to be equally divided between them. Of any of  
them I could die before they come of age, the rest of the boys  
to have their part, but their mother to have her living  
of either life time or as long as she remains my widow  
I give & bequeath to my beloved wife Susannah all the household  
furniture & utensils & black earth tools her horses to  
all the slaves & years & horses for her to ride two horses & pigs  
to raise the family and as long as she remains my widow  
if she marries there things to be sold by auctioneers if the two  
negroes do not, estate cash five hundred & forty three, I  
want them hired till better times I will and all the  
monies arising from the personal estate with all my slaves  
in possession with all my outstanding debts to be equally  
divided between all my children only Margaret and  
Sarah Pennington, Mass I will give Dollars —

I hereby nominate constitute & appoint William Houston  
the sole executor of this my last will & Testament hereby  
replacing all other will & Testaments he witness whereof I  
have set my hand & seal my 20<sup>th</sup> November 1827  
Signed sealed in presence of us.

Michael Walker

John Daffy

Samuel Becket

I James Potts in the name of God I man do make this  
my will & testament and the world by for, testy that it is the  
pleasure god to give me to be disposed of in the following man  
ner viz - I give & bequeath to my wife and son Harry 2<sup>nd</sup>  
my plantation on which I now live together with the farm  
house doors & natural life & corn bags & women house  
pigs & one child and one 11<sup>th</sup> year named Jacob & a 10  
year named Isaac & his own property as I disposed of, also  
my wagon & harness and four beds & necessaries also all my  
goods of like descriptions and all my household

Kitchen furniture, less my Smith tools all other own disposed  
 I give & bequeath to my beloved Daughter Elizabeth G. M.  
 Potts one negro boy named Jim now with John Patterson  
 One negro girl named Nelly from Horse Saddle & saddle  
 at her choice after her Mother's choice of the horses & one  
 Bed & furniture and one commode & one jutting log  
 Table at Saml Pattersons & one bed & furniture in my  
 own Room —

I give & bequeath to my beloved son William G. Potts  
 my Negroes Simmons, Lige, London & Lewis, all the debts that  
 are owing to me to be collected by my executors here often  
 named, and after my wife & Daughter have their choice  
 of the horses the remainder of them to be sold by my  
 executors to be equally divided between my wife and  
 two children —

And I do hereby constitute & appoint the Reverend  
 Samuel Williamson Guardian to my son William  
 G. Potts, and I hereby leave him the sole executor of  
 this my will. In witness whereof I seal my hand and  
 sign this

Thomas Evans

Sam'l Potts, 1<sup>st</sup> Aug'

Mary Evans

2d

In the Name of God amen. I John Thompson of  
 Edgecombe County North Carolina being in sound mind  
 & memory I make & declare this my last will & Testament in the  
 presence following. I give & bequeath to my daughter  
 Elizabeth & future, son, my black servant my  
 one brother, probably John, & my wife & all  
 my deceasing children. I give & bequeath to my  
 Daughter Fanny Garrison all those she only for her &  
 her husband money, in Hopes her young chd, she will  
 & consider her six months pds, and fees. —  
 I give & bequeath to my son John & wife  
 Thompson Mecklenburg Co., NC Wills 1783-1844.