

In the name of God amen. I Jeptha Ballard being sick &
lame in body but of perfect sound mind & memory do now
that it is appointed for all men once to die and think it
probable that this is my last illness thinks it proper to leave
my affairs as follows after committing my body to the grave
and my spirit to God who gave it

In witness I do will that all my lawful debts be paid & my funeral
expenses as soon as possible

Item I do will & bequeath the remainder of my estate to my beloved
wife Rosanna & little my business I do constitute & appoint
Sugar Martin my Executor March the 10th 1808

John Morris

Daniel Dulon

Jeptha Ballard

In the name of God amen I John Barnett of the County of
Rockingham State of North Carolina being of perfect mind
Memory & full calling to mind the mortality of my body & th^t
it is appointed for all men once to die Do make & ordain this
my last will & Testament this 24th day of April 1805 Principally
& first of all I command my soul to God that gave it, my body
to the grave to be buried in a decent, plain manner at the discretion
of my executors nothing doubting what I shall meet with
the same at the resurrection etc In the first place I doow
all my just debts to be paid out of my estate & what pr. part
God has been pleased to bless me with in this world to be dis-
posed of in the following manner and form

Item I give & bequeath unto my dearly & well beloved wife
Rosanna my bay mare commonly called Madam together
with her saddle & bridle together with my chest Likewise the
bed that my wife Rosanna & myself commonly makes use of
with all its furniture, together with the fifth part of all the
chairs, furniture & the other property to be equally divided
between my five Daughters viz Eliza, Mary, Azaria, Elizabeth
Jennet & to my beloved wife Rosanna my big Household
like wise Mecklenburg Co., NC withs 1788-1844 being hence & half
the time L. D. L. & the rest and my widow & all the other

and my spirit to God who gave it
I do Will that all my lawful debts be paid & my funeral
expenses as soon as possible
I also will & bequeath the remainder of my estate to my beloved
wife, Reid, for to settle my business & to constitute & appoint
my Executor.

Reid, Nathan Morris

John Morris

Daniel Dunbar

In the Name of God Amen I John Barnett of the County of
Mecklenburg State of North Carolina being of perfect mind
now & full willing to mind the mortality of my body & the
world appointed for all men once to die Domine dona eis
my last will & Testament this 24th day of April 1805 Principally
& first of all I command my soul to God that gave it, my body
to the grave to be buried in a decent form & manner at the time
of my death nothing doubting but I shall meet with
the same at the resurrection He in his first place I now
call my just Judge to inform me with in this world to be des-
posed of in the following manner and form
Item I give & bequeath unto my dearly & well beloved wife
Rebecca my boy mare commonly called Madam together
with her saddle & bridle together with my best saddle & bridle
with all its/unniters together with my best saddle & bridle
sheep, unniters & other property to be equally divided
between my two daughters Mary & Maria. Also I bequeath
unto my beloved wife Rebecca my dwelling House & all the
land which she receives my widow & all the
property mentioned to my wife Rebecca by her
widow enjoyed it at her discretion for ever
Item It is my will that my executors sell the
my four sons in this County, & when the same are bought