

In the name of God Amen. Be it remembered that I John
 Davis of Mecklenburg County, Carolina, being weak in body
 but of sound & perfect mind & memory considering the uncertainty
 of this mortal life, and being of sound & perfect mind and
 memory do hereby be God, in the name of God make & publish this
 my last will & Testament in manner & form following
 That is to say, first. I give & bequeath unto my beloved
 wife Gertrude Davis the whole benefit of my plantation
 to raise the Children & all farming utensils & the two Port
 houses & the third of the cattle & likewise one year's provision
 laid off for the support of the family & one third of the stock &
 Hogs, Lickens and all household, as return to Sept. 1st
 year of the family and if any of my Children marries
 what they get by be valued & counted in their share
 & Abraham & them as their lands & other property that
 is named to them by valuation, all personal, so per-
 sonal to be sold at my decease & in agon and what money
 is found in hand, all are equally divided amongst my
 wife & Children and at the decease of my wife or Mar-
 age, all the remainder of property to be sold & equally divided
 amongst all my Children & my wife if marries a child
 part of the land likewise the land not to be sold but divided
 when the Children all comes of age laying off the widow's
 Dower for life time to be divided by valuation equally
 amongst boys & girls - I do hereby appoint & give
 Steven & Abraham Davis to be Executors of my last will
 and Testament in Witness whereof I set my hand
 & seal this the 11th day of March in the year of our Lord 1818
 & 44.

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