

WILL made in 1779.

In the name of God, I, John Rivers, of Mecklingburg, County being of sound mind and memory blessed be God do this twentyth day of May in the year of our Lord Christ one thousand seven hundred and seventy nine, make and publish this my last will and testament in manner as following that is to say--inprimise, I lend to my loving wife all my household furniture and four head of horses and gears, two cows and calfs and one negro woman, named Bitty, and one negro boy, named George, as long as she remains a widow and if my said loving wife should marry then only a child's part or her thirds and if the said negro woman should have any more children my desire is that ~~she should have~~ I lend them also to my loving wife and whenever she should get married or deceased the hold of my estate is to be sold and the money laide out in land in Georgia to the best advantage and that equally divided between my three children, and if my wife should be with a child for that to have an equal part with the rest of the children. Item I give and bequeath to my loving sister, Lucy Rivers, one gray horse named Spider and I do make constitute and ordain my loving wife and my brother Jones Rivers and my friend Robert Thomson my executors of this last will and testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year above written.

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Signed, Sealed, Published

and subscribed by the said

John Rivers, as for his last Will and

Testament in presence of us.

John Rivers.