

Testamentary Dispositions. That
my Debts & the ~~Expenses~~^{Expenses} of my Family & fines
should get an equal share among the other assets
excepting one third that I give to my daughter with her
my Children should equally share the remainder. And
and do not sell them out to Strangers, but if they
can't agree that they should be sold at the price equally
divided amongst them all. It is my further will and
pleasure that all the remainder of my estate be sold by
my Executors & after all my just debts are paid & the above
legacies are distributed, that then the remainder shall be
equally divided among my six daughters & their sons &
those of them who may die leaving no Heirs of their body
that the Survivors may have an equal division of
their property, — last I do nominate & appoint my wife
before her self Anna Rufus, James Hovey & my son Samuel Hovey
Wiley to be my whole sole Executrix of this my last will &
testament hereby revoking all former Wills, Gifts, & bequests
by me made or done otherwise than as aforesaid or before this day of
confining this to no better to be my last will & Testament.
In Testimony whereof I David Rufus have hereunto set
my hand & seal this 13th day of March 1797

Signed sealed, published pronounced & declared by the said
David Rufus as his last will & Testament witness in
his presence & in the presence of each other and
our hands — Sam'l Caldwell  David Rufus 
Wallace Alexander 

In the Name of God Amen. I John Rogers of Chelmsford
County & State of N^o Carolina, being at present weak in body
but of a sound & disposing mind & memory before he goes
& abiding to mind the mortality of the body & that it is ex-
pected for all men here to die, Do make & ordain this
my last will & Testament in the manner & form following
My first of all I recommend my soul to God who gave it

and my body to the earth to be buried in a Christian like
 & decent manner at the direction of my executors herein
 after I make, back & touching such worldly estate as it
 hath pleased God to bless me in this world given & disposed
 of the same by my will & desire that my best debts
 & funeral expenses be paid & discharged by my executors
 as soon as convenient after my death pro rata

I give & bequeath unto my wife Anna
 all my beds & furniture, Household Utensils, furniture
 & my plantation tools & serving utensils, my Bay
 horse and bay Stock of cattle & horses all my money in
 hand & the outstanding debt due to me to her due to
 to be at her disposal. Item I leave unto my grandson
John son to Hugh McRory my saddle & bridle, and it
 is my will that the plantation I now live on contain-
 ing one hundred fifty acres more or less together with
 fifty acres adjoining thereto be sold by my executors
 at public Vadeum as soon as convenient after my
 death & the monies arising from the sale of said land
 to be equally divided between ten of my grand children
 viz Hugh & James sons to my son William and
Mary & Elizabeth daughters to my son William &
John & Hugh sons to my daughter Jane wife to Hugh
McRory & Anna, Harriet & Wheeler daughters to my said
 daughter Jane. I say the monies arising from the sale
 of the aforesaid lands to be equally divided between
 these my ten grand children three & three else the sons
 to have their share when they are for every one year of
 age & the daughters when they are eighteen years of
 age or the day of their marriage. And I do hereby further
 give my executors or either of them to make a good &
 sufficient title or deed of conveyance to the premises
 of said lands as I myself would have done when person-
 ally present. Lastly I do hereby nominate & appoint
 my son William & my son in law Hugh McRory to be
 the executors of this my last will & testament, hereby
 making void all former wills by me heretofore made
 modifying & confirming this to be my last will

102 last Testament in witness whereof I here set my hand and
affixed my seal this 10th day of December 1803
Signed & acknowledged by the said John Rogers
to be his last will & Testament in the presence of
us who at his request signed our names witness
William Horn { John Rogers -
John M. Clark 

In the name of God our Lord. This 6th day of May in the year of
our Lord 1805 I John Rogers being very weak in body
but of sound mind & memory thank be to Almighty God. His
calling so near the Mortality of my body knowing that it is
appointed for all men once to die. Do make & bid in this
my last will & Testament in manner & form following, that
is to say principally & first of all. I give & recommend my
soul to God who gave it, and my body I recommend to the
Earth to be buried at the discretion of my executors
nothing doubting but at the general Resurrection I shall
receive the same again by the mighty power of God. &
as touching such worldly estate wherewith it hath pleased
God to bless me in this life I give devise & dispose of.

The same in the following manner & form -
Imprimis I give & bequeath to my loving wife Duchess the planter
- ion house & snow line, with all its appurtenances, with all
the farming tools, all my house creatures, my horses & cattle
sheep & hogs & all my other property that is now in my
possession during her life or widowhood to be disposed of
as she thinks fit & right paying all my just debts & expenses
hereafter mentioned & if she should marry before my young
est child is of age. Then all the property in her hands or
possession to be sold & equally divided between her & the
children then living with her - Then I give & bequeath
to my son William one Dollar - Then I give & bequeath
to my son James one Dollar and lastly I nominate
Hannah my loving wife Duchess & my two sons