

In the name of God Amen I John Taylor of the County of Middlesex
 within the State of Carolina being in a very low state of health at
 present but blessed be God that I am yet possessed of a sound mind
 disposing memory & calling to mind the mortality of the body &
 that it is appointed for all men once to die, Do constitute & declare
 this to be my last will & Testament in manner & form following to wit
 First of all I give & bequeath my spirit to God who gave it hoping
 for mercy & acceptance in Jesus Christ Jesus my Lord, & my body
 to the earth to be decently buried. At the direction of my executor
 hereafter named; And as touching my worldly concerns I order &
 my Will is that they be disposed in manner & form following to wit
 First that all my Just debts & several Charges be paid as soon as may
 be by my executors. - Then I give & bequeath to my ever loving wife
 Taylor her own bed & furniture belonging to the same & also her own
 & the young man & all the pewee pots Dishes & other furniture belong-
 ing to that house to be her own forever & that her disposal after my
 decease & also to be further provided for by my son John as well after
 her death. - Then I give & bequeath to my son Abraham Taylor five
 shillings current money of Carolina. Also I give & bequeath
 to my daughter Mary now wife to William Reed five shillings
 current money as aforesaid & also to my son in Law William Reed
 the sum of five shillings current money as aforesaid. - Then
 I give & bequeath to my Daughter Margaret now wife to Daniel
 Watson five shillings like money & also to my son in Law Daniel
 Watson five shillings current money as aforesaid. - Then I give
 devise to my son John two hundred acres of Land where I now live
 including all my improvements & also all the plantations tools pots
 pans & all other things belonging to me on said place & also
 three hundred acres of Land in Tryon County in the State of Car-
 olina Also I give & bequeath unto my son John after my
 debts are all paid & my other children receive their parts as
 mentioned in this Will, all the rest of my Goods & Chattels to be
 his own use & at his disposal & since provided were that by
 my said son John shall always take care of my ever loving
 Beulah Taylor & give her a proper & decent maintenance during
 her life & also take care of & feed the two Cows & one

disposing myself & calling to mind the mortality of the body &
that it is appointed for all men once to die, Do constitute & declare
this to be my last will & Testament in manner & form following to wit
First of all I give & bequeath my spirit to God who gave it hoping
for mercy & acceptance in Jesus Christ Jesus my Lord, & my Body
to be buried in decently buried. All the direction of my business
hereafter named: And as touching my worldly concerns I order &
my Will is that they be disposed in manner & form following viz
First that all my just debts & several charges be paid as soon as may
be by my executors. - Then I give & bequeath to my ever loving wife Rebecca
Taylor her own bed & furniture belonging to the same & also her own
& the young men & all the household goods & other furniture but my
-ing to that degree to be her own forever but her disposal after my
decease & also to be further provided for by my son John as here after
hereafter - Then I give & bequeath to my son Abraham Taylor five
shillings current money of N. Carolina. Also I give & bequeath
to my daughter Mary now wife to William Reed five shillings
current money as aforesaid & also to my son in law William Reed
the sum of five shillings current money as aforesaid - Then
I give & bequeath to my daughter Margaret now wife to Daniel
Watson five shillings like money & also to my son in law Daniel
Watson five shillings current money as aforesaid - Then I give
devise to my son John two hundred acres of Land where now lies
including all my improvements & also all the plantations tools & all
Gears & all other things belonging to me on said place & also
three hundred acres of Land in Tryon County in the State of N.C.
Carolina also I give & bequeath unto my son John after my
debts are all paid & my other children's portions thereof as
mentioned in this Will, all the rest of my Goods & Chattels left for
his own use & at his disposal & further provided more that after
my said son John shall always take care of my ever loving
Rebecca Taylor & give her a proper & decent maintenance during
her natural life & also to take care of & pay the two Cures & more
left to my wife aforesaid. Then I give & devise to my daughter
Jane one hundred & twenty five acres of Land lying in the County
of Northampton & State of N. Carolina joining my son Abraham

Land, John Bells & Isaac Harding Land & also the Cow & Horses & Yearling
then were named to my said Daughter & the more & last formerly named
John & also one large pot now in the house, & also six new pewter plates
& four small basins & a large one - And lastly I do constitute and
appoint my Trusty & well beloved friend William Barnett & Robert
Green to be my whole & sole Executors to manage & settle my affairs
after my decease according to the true intent & meaning of this my
last will & Testament, the Witness whereof I have hereunto set my
hand & affixed my seal this 8th day of February 1777 -

Signed Sealed & declared by the above named John Taylor
to be his last will & Testament in presence of us.

Abraham Taylor

George Baker Junr.

George Baker

John Taylor 

In the name of God Amen. I, Abraham Taylor being weak in body
but of perfect sound memory & judgment, and calling to mind the mortality
of my body, that it is appointed for all men once to die, have therefore
thought fit to make this my last will & Testament, thereby Reversing &
making void all other wills & Testaments by me heretofore made
& done of whatever kind or form whatsoever; And first I recommend
my body to the Earth to be buried in a Christian & decent manner at
the discretion of my Executors, and my soul to God that gave it me
in hopes of a glorious Resurrection through my Lord & Saviour Jesus
Christ. And next I will & appoint that all my lawful Debts be paid
them. I will & bequeath unto Mary Taylor my loving wife her lawful
share of all my personal & moveable Estate, I also will & bequeath unto
my wife during her life time this tract of Land of 75 acres on which
I now live as also this other tract of Land, joining this of 125 acres (willed
bequeathed & left to me by my sister Jane Taylor now deceased) to have &
enjoy the said Lands with all its profits & whatsoever belonging to
the same whilst she my said wife lives upon condition that she my
said wife gives up all her right of Dower or profits which by law may
by her be claimed of all the rest of my Land to the proper Heirs & Legatees that
I now have now willed it to or to come acting for them in their name