

John Thompson

Robert J. Johnston

In the name of God Amen I John Thompson of the County of Mecklenburg in the State of Maryland being in a low condition but in perfect mind & memory, knowing that it is appointed for all men here to die, Make & Declare this my last Will & Testament that I being principally & first of all I give & recommend my soul to God. & I give it & my body to the earth to be buried in Christian manner at the discretion of my Executors, And for such worldly Estate wherewith I hath pleased God to bless me with, I give & dispose of in the following manner — I give & bequeath my Estate real & personal to my three Brothers & Sister and they are to divide it as they please — I also constitute & appoint my beloved brother William Thompson as my Executor to this my last Will & Testament, Signed, Sealed & pronounced this 10th day April 1790.

Archibald Cochrane
William Potts

John Thompson

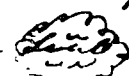
In the name of God Amen March the 8th 1800 I John Taylor of the County of Chickland & State of N Carolina being very sick but of perfect mind & memory Thanks be to God I do make this my last Will & Testament, First I commend my soul to God that gave it in hopes of acceptance through Jesus Christ, & my body to the dust And as to my worldly property I will & devise it in the following manner I will that all my just debts I owe be paid that I owe to my best friend within a reasonable time after my decease — I give & bequeath to Margaret my beloved wife a comfortable main tenance off this my farm & the help of this my dwelling house as long as she remains my widow, I also will to my wife one negro girl called Rhoda & one negro boy called Samuay, I also will to my wife a young sorrel mare & her saddle & bridle, I also will to my wife a bed called post & furniture for the same — I give & bequeath to Margaret my daughter one negro woman Sarah & her young girl called Sarah & I also will to my Margaret one young boy

more named Ribbons the Saddle & bridle, and I will the said
 Margaret a bed called hers & its furniture — I give & bequeath
 to my son Abraham one tract of land that I purchased from Hugh
 Biggam which contains by survey 128 acres, I also will to my
 son Abraham one negro named Chamon & one negro woman called Liddy
 I will to the said Abraham one colts first yearling colt called his
 and my Saddle & bridle — I will & bequeath to my son John
 that tract of land that I purchased from Samuel Givins which
 contains by survey 158 acres together with a tract of 89 acres that
 I purchased from James Miller, I also will to my son John one
 negro boy called More I also will to John the value of a boy that
 is called Halbut, I will to John one bay mare colt that is
 called his & a new saddle when he arrives to the age eighteen
 & bridle to be raised out of the remainder of my estate —
 I will & bequeath to my son James that tract of land that I pur-
 chased from Thomas Spencer containing by survey 330 acres, I also
 will to my son James my negro boy called London, I will to
 the said James another negro boy called Halbut, I also will to
 James one horse named Rob & a new saddle & bridle to have
 at the age of Eighteen — I give & bequeath to my son William
 Barnatt & to my son Archibald Armstrong this tract that now lies
 on which contains 281 acres together with two other tracts one
 that lies joining ^{this tract} one of 18 acres that I purchased from Hugh
 Biggam & the other of 100 acres that lies joining Patrick Boyd
 & Lees & Wilsons lands, I will that the whole of the before describ-
 ed lands that is not before willed be equally divided between the said
 William and Archibald — I will unto my son William
 one negro boy called Paris & one negro girl called Phillis, &
 I also will to William one bay mare called the old bay, I will
 to the said William ~~and~~ a new saddle & bridle to be given to
 him at the age of eighteen out of the remainder of my estate —
 I give & bequeath unto my son Archibald one negro woman called Peggy
 her youngest child called Sam I also will to the said Archibald one
 new horse or colt or colts in cash, I also will to said Archibald a
 new saddle to be given to him at the age of Eighteen out of the
 remainder of my estate — And all my body clothes I will to be equally

Byham to which contains by survey 128 acres, I also will to my son Abraham one negro man named Chas. & one negro woman called Liddy I will to the said Abraham one cattle & best speckling coll called his and my saddle & bridle — I will & bequeath to my son John that Tract of Land that I purchased from Samuel Givens which contains by survey 158 acres together with a tract of 89 acres that I purchased from James McLee, I also will to my son John one negro boy called Mose I also will to John the value of a boy that is called Halbert, I will to John one bay mare coll that is called his & a new saddle when he arrives to the age eighteen & bridle to be raised out of the remainder of my estate — I will & bequeath to my son James that Tract of Land that I purchased from Thomas Spencer containing by survey 990 acres, I also will to my son James my negro boy called London, I will to the said James another negro boy called Halbert, I also will to James one horse named Rob & a new saddle & bridle to have at the age of eighteen. — I give & bequeath to my son William Barnett & to my son Archibald Leathron, this Tract that I now live in which contains 281 acres together with two other tracts one that lies joining ^{his tract} one of 18 acres that I purchased from Hugh Wiggan & the other of 100 acres that lies joining Patrick Boyd & Lees & Wilsons lands, I will that the whole of the before described lands that is not before willed be equally divided between the said William and Archibald. — I will unto my son William one negro boy called Paris & one negro girl called Phillis, & I also will to William one bay mare called the old bay, I will to the said William ~~and~~ a new saddle & bridle to be given to him at the age of eighteen out of the remainder of my estate. — I give & bequeath unto my son Archibald one negro woman called Peggy her youngest child called Sam I also will to the said Archibald one new horse or sixty dollars in cash, I also will to said Archibald a new saddle to be given to him at the age of eighteen out of the remains of my estate. — And all my body clothes I will to be equally divided amongst my sons. — I will that there shall be kept a sufficient quantity of all things necessary for house keeping & carrying on the farm be valued for the use of my family whilst they are in a

family capacity but when a Separation becomes necessary I will that they be received & equally divided. — I give & bequeath to my two sons viz Abraham & John one Tract of Land which contains 3000 acres it lies on the waters Potter Creek in Lincoln County for to be equally divided between them both. — I will to my son James one Tract of Land containing 200 acres lying on the waters of Indian Creek in Lincoln County. — I also will one Tract of Land that I purchased called part of Giles old place together with 20 acres that lies joining James lands to be equally divided between my five sons viz Abram, John, James William & Archibald. — I also will that Abram & John is for to have one year's schooling out of the remains of my Estate. — I will that James & William shall have two years schooling out of the remains of my Estate. — I also will that Archibald shall have three years schooling to be raised out of the remains of my Estate. —

I give & bequeath to each of my sons viz Abram, John, James William & Archibald one Good bed & furniture for the same to get them when the come of age for to be taken out of the remains of my Estate.

John Taylor 

I also will that two Horses shall be kept for the use of the Farm viz one Horse called Dick & the other ~~one~~ called Diamond. — I will that the whole of my Hogs shall be kept for the use of my family. — I will that all the other perishable property which may not be necessary for the before mentioned purposes that I have not willed be sold & the money equally divided amongst my legates. — I appoint James Spratt Junr & Margaret my wife & John McDowell my Executors of this my last will & Testament. As witnesses my hands and feet the day & year first above written

Test Joseph Harte

Test Allen Reed

Hugh McDowell

John Taylor 

55 In the name of God Amen I John Todd being sound in mind & Memory thanks to Almighty God therefor, but being afflicted in body & knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die & not knowing how soon the messenger of death may call me out of time to Eternity I have thought fit to make this my last will & Testament. First I