

In the name of God Amen. I George Berryhill of the County of Mecklenburg & State of N. Carolina, being very sick & weak in body, but of free mind & memory (thanks be given unto God for this same) calling unto mind the mortality of my body & desiring that it is appointed unto all men once to die, Do make & declare this my last will and Testament in form & manner following, that is to say, Principally & first of all being penitent & sorry from the heart for all my aggravated sins & Heinous Transgressions most humbly desiring & trusting thro' the merits of Christ for pardon & forgiveness for the same I do commend my soul into the hands of Almighty God that gave it me and my body I recommend to the Earth to be buried in a decent Christian Buriall at the discretion of my loving wife & Executors here after named, Nothing doubting but at the general Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty Power of God. And as Touching such worldly Estate which with it hath pleased God, to bestow me in this life, I Give devise & dispose of the same in the following manner to wit I Give & Bequeath unto my well beloved wife Hannah as her right and property my Negro woman named Bet, my Negro male Kidney by the name of Nabe a good feather bed, bedstead & furniture necessary belonging, 3 good Cows with their Calves viz a certain Dun Cow named Dan, a black Cow named Brindle, & a black & white Cow named Blacke a black conveniently made box, the Bridle, the halter of what breed belongs to the dropper, 2 Iron pots, the wooden Cupbe, the Iron Chain &c. at the same time transferring her right & title to the Saddle, the bearing Apparel & what so ever else was always used & used to be her property, whether by Gift, Dower or otherwise; and she to remain in the enjoyment & possession of my dwelling house Furniture & Improvements there unto belonging except those Improvements here after mentioned & bequeathed to my son named John condition of her endeavoring to take the premises care of my family while I was alive, that I should be natural Affection I owe to them & she will Oblige her words

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To well beloved son named John my Young Negro Boy named Jack my late wife's personal household furniture commonly known by the name of

Testament in form & manner following, that is to say, principally
I first of all being penitent & sorry from the heart for all my ag-
-grieved sins & Heinous Transgressions most humbly desiring I trusting
thru the merits of Christ for pardon & forgiveness for the same I
do commend my soul into the hands of Almighty God that gave them
and my body I recommend to the Earth to be buried in a decent
Christian Burial at the discretion of my loving wife & children
here after named. Nothing relating but at the general
Resurrection I shall revive the same again by the mighty
Power of God. And as Touching such worldly Estate which
with it hath pleased God, to bestow me in this life, I give
Admission & Dispose of the same in the following manner & manner
I give & bequeath unto my well beloved wife Hannah as her right and
property my Negro woman named Bet, my Negro man named by the name
of Nath. a good feather bedstead & four white Sheets with belonging,
3 good Cows with three Calves viz a certain Deer Cow named Deer,
A white Cow named Brindle, the black Cow named Black
a black cow named Red head, the Bridle, the half of what wood
belongs to the dropper, 2 Iron pots, the wooden Spade, the hoe, which
he at the same time confirming her right & title to the saddle, he
bearing offered & whatsoever else was always used to be
has been properly, whether by gift, Deed or otherwise; and she
to remain in the enjoyment & possession of my dwelling house
Furniture & Improvements there unto belonging except those
Improvements here after mentioned & be attached to my land and
then condition of her endeavoring to take the personal care
of my family while I am afe, that I should be natural Affection
I have to them & you will Oblige her with

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Wife

To well beloved son Samuel I give & bequeath my young Negro boy
named Jack, my little gray horse commonly known by the name of
Little Gray, at the same time confirming his title & claim to his
own white Horse, saddle, wearing apparel given to him & to be
was always understood to be his whether be gift purchase or
otherwise also certain place called his own space of

Best chains, Double tree & chains, one bed & furniture have been
 & value \$75 a certain named blaze & saddle & find the 2 acres of
 land containing the improvement of the lower field & meadow
 adjoining to him his heirs & assigns & to their heirs and
 assigns, to wit, black half of my wearing apparel & my large Bible
 To my Daughter Jane Married to Thomas Williams to her child
 Sarah I give with a certain young cow & calf named Denny
 at the same time confirming to said Daughter Jane all the
 singular whatsoever I have already given her either at or
 before her marriage the above mentioned legacy & no more
 in consequence of my love & good will to her & her heirs in
 said child -

To my beloved daughter Mary Married to David Lead give
 a certain white cow named Rachel & to her confirming
 her right & title all & singular whatsoever I have formerly bestowed
 upon her to her by gift, Dower or otherwise -

To my kind & affectionate son Andrew I give & give with a certain
 black mare commonly Denominated his horse & give and a
 place claimed by him likewise two pair of chains, Double
 tree & chains 2 cows viz Denny & a certain cow bought
 frome Mr Cummings together with her calves & am both three
 years old, Bed & furniture 140 acres of Land adjoining
 Robert & Knight & Andrew Persons line to be surveyed
 in such a manner as not to injure that tract adjoining to
 adjacent to my dwelling house & improvements in use so
 of timber also the black half of my wearing apparel & my
 Iron bound chest -

To my loving daughter Sarah I give & give with a certain
 black horse commonly known as the name of little black as
 certain white cow, the speaking mare both usually
 called her a certain horse old Hips, Bed & furniture -
 her own wearing apparel & saddle to be given up in
 the presence of what is hereafter mentioned as left with her
 I give & give with a certain young cow & calf named Denny

11th To my Daughter Jane Married to Thomas Williams to her child Sarah I bequeath a certain Young Lion & both named Denny at the same time confirming to said Daughter Jane all the singular whatsoome I have already given her either at or before her Marriage in above mentioned Legacy & no more in consequence of any Lien & Good will to her I bequeath to her said Child -

12th To my beloved daughter Mary Married to David Lead give a certain White Cow named Rachel & no more confirming in Right & Title all & singular whatsoome I have, or may hereafter have upon her whether by gift, Denny or otherwise -

13th To my kind & affectional Son Andrew I give & bequeath a certain Black mare commonly Denominated in some Legions and a place claimed by him likewise two pair of Chains & Double Tree & Chains 2 Cows viz Denny & a certain Cow bought from Mr Cummings together with her calves & Deer both three years old, Bed & Furniture 140 Acres of Land adjoining Robert McKnight & Andrew Persons here to be surveyed in such a manner as not to injure that part adjoining to adjacent to my dwelling house & improvements in use so of Timber also the other half of my wearing apparel & my Iron bound Chest -

14th To my loving & affectional Sarah I give & bequeath a certain Black horse commonly known in the name of little Black as certain White Cows, the speaking mare last usually called her a certain pair of Iron old Hoops, Bed & Furniture - her own wearing apparel & a saddle to be given in part the produce of what is hereafter mentioned as well as the support & maintenance of my family in their connected state also the use half of the Room of my dressing furniture

15th To my beloved Daughter Betty I bequeath a certain Red Cow bought from Mr Wickert & a certain Black filly two years old and Bed & Furniture to David as a present from the produce of my farm & ^{the} half the remainder of my wearing furniture

Item To my loving & dear daughter Hannah I give a certain indenting Heifer
and of Mr Berryhill & one fourth of present value of my Negro man
Wagon & white horse here after mentioned.

Item To my beloved son William I give a certain Yeading home
Coll Com. called his & a certain red Heifer head of Mr Berryhill
together with Bed & furniture as of our side & also him I give
my Rifle gun.

Item To my much beloved son Joseph I give demise & give with all the
reversioning part of my lands Viz that halving & adjacent
to my dwelling house & improvements thereunto belonging,
together all Tenements, Appurages & buildings thereunto be-
longing on any & every appurtenance & in case of death before
he come to the full enjoyment thereof then I do & promise
with the same appurtenances to descend to his Brother James
here after mentioned.

Item To my several children Hannah, Margaret, Thomas & James
I give with my Negro man named Sampson my Wagon & break
bands & one pair of chains together with my white horse afore
mentioned, then to be valued at their present full value &
Equally divided among them when become of age these
appurtenances be taken together with the whole of my stock of
sheep all the wood & other things I had to be kept for & applied to
the use support & maintenance of my family while they live
together in a family connected state, also with the implement
of husbandry, Farming & the like to me belonged or in an
any appurtenances & not particularly disposed of by this my
last Will & Test to the same use & purpose also all the good
of the present or any ensuing Crop that may be raised on said
Farm except so much as will be necessary to defray the expense
of schooling & other necessary Education of my Children who
need the same & pay just Debts I owe to others, which I will the
they be faithfully & honestly paid without Inquiries or demands
any, also I will that 3 of my Young Cattle not here disposed
of & who are now in the hands of the said James I do & hereby

my Rifle gun -

Item To my much beloved Son Joseph I give demise & give with all the remaining part of my lands & My that belonging & adjacent to my dwelling house & improvements thereunto belonging, together all Tenements, Appurages & buildings thereunto belonging on any & in any appertaining & in Case of death before he come to the full enjoyment thereof that I and I remain with the said appertaining to descend to his Brother James here after mentioned - - -

Item To my several children Hannah, Mary and Abigail & I give I give with my negro man named Sampson my Wagon & truck & my pair of chains together with my white horse as before mentioned, these to be valued at their present full value & Equally divided among my three children herein of age these appertaining to be taken together with the whole of my stock of sheep all the wood & the land to be kept in & applied to the use support & maintenance of my Family while they keep together in a family connected State, also with the implement of husbandry, & farming & the like to me belonged or in any wise appertained & not particularly disposed of by this my last Will & Test to the same use & purposes also all the goods of the present or any ensuing year that may be raised on the said Farm except so much as will be necessary to pay and in expense of schooling & other necessary Education of my Children who need the same & pay just Debts I owe to others, which I will they be faithfully & honestly paid without Inquiries or demands, also I will that 3 of my young Cattle not here shipped or taken are most fit, for the same be applied for & taken care for in the support of my Family as aforesaid, whom I cheerfully assign up to his Guardian Care & Protection who gave them & who has promised to be a father to the fatherless & Judge of the widows - take my cross and I have to my two sons so much and more -

I constitute make & assign Col. Robert Swinburn & my son
Samuel Berryhill the sole executors of this my last will & testament
all & singular my lands & tenements, debts & movable
effects in & out my whole estate real & personal hereby giving the
full power & authority & solemnly charging them to dispose
of the same according to the tenor & manner & force, and I
do hereby wholly disallow, revoke & disannul by these
presents all & every other former Testament & Testaments
wills & wills, legacies bequests & incumbrances heretofore by me
in any wise lawfully made or bequeathed either by word
or writing, Notifying & confirming this & no other to be my
last will & testament In Witness whereof these executors affixed
my hand & seal the 22^d day of May Anno Domini 1781

signed sealed published pronounced & declared by said
Robert Swinburn as his last will & testament in the presence
of us who in his presence then the persons & such other
have now so subscribed our names -

Robert Swinburn } Joseph Berryhill (Seal)
Samuel Taylor }
Moses Shufley }

In the name of God Amen. I Janet Brantly of Mecklenburg
County North Carolina being in health & of perfect mind
& memory do hereby commend my soul to God, calling to mind the
mortality of my body & knowing that it is appointed for all
men once to die, do make & declare this my last will and
testament that is to say principally & first of all, I give to
recommending my soul into the hand of God that gave it to
my body I recommend to the care to be taken in a decent
Christian Burial at the discretion of my Executors with
standing that at the General resurrection I shall
receive this same again by the mighty power of God -
I did as touching these worldly estate & movables it was
pleased God to bless me in this life, & give children & issue
of the same in the following manner to wit