

to in my last will & Testament. In witness whereof I have here  
unto set my hand & seal the day & year above written.

Signed sealed & declared

In presence of

Joseph Swan

Joseph Simpson

Robert McCarwick.

Matthew Jones 

12 In the name of God Amen. The 13<sup>th</sup> day of March 1806 I Henry  
Here of the County of Mecklenburg & State of N. Carolina being sick  
& weak in body but of sound mind & memory thanks be to God for  
the same, & calling to mind the mortality of my body, & knowing  
that it is appointed unto all men once to die, Do make & declare  
this my last will & Testament, And principally & first of all I  
recommend my soul into the hands of God who gave it, & my  
body, to be buried in a Christian like & decent manner, nothing  
denying but I shall receive the same again by the mighty  
power of God; And as touching such worldly Estate wherewith  
I hath pleased God to bless me in this life, I give & dispose of  
the same in manner & form following that is to say  
In the first place I give & bequeath to my son William my tract of  
Land (in order to enable him to discharge all my lawful debts) for his  
only proper use & his heirs & assigns forever, & negro boy named  
Stephen my negro woman named Rhoda, my baggage and all my  
draps, furniture. — I give to my son & Daughter David & Ann  
Reed my negro girl named Linda and my yearling Colt —  
I give & bequeath to my daughter Catherine my negro girl named  
Mariah, my bay three years old mare my feather bed & furniture  
and my Chest. I allow the remainder of my Stock to be equally  
Divided amongst my three Children, It is also my will that all  
my Cloathing be equally divided amongst my three children.  
And I do hereby constitute & appoint my Trusty son William here  
& also the James McKnight Executors of this my last Will & Testament  
And I do hereby utterly revoke and disannul all former

Wills, Legacies & bequests by me before this time made, ratifying & confirming this & no other to be my last will and Testament In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal the day and year first above written.

Signed Sealed published & declared

In presence of

Joseph Swann  
Reuben Freeman  
Wm. C. Todd

Mary Kerr 

23 In the name of God Amen, I John Kirkpatrick of the state of North Carolina, the County being weak in body & thinking it probable that God may soon remove me from this life think proper that while my Judgment remains & my memory perfect to dispose of my property as follows - I will that all my lawful debts be paid out of my Estate -

Item I will & bequeath unto my beloved wife Margaret a negro woman named Milly & her child Violet to her & her heirs forever also a Negro Child named Billy during her natural life, also all my household & kitchen furniture to her & her heirs & also all my outstanding debts after all my debts are paid, also I will that my son Hugh Kirkpatrick keep one horse & two cows for her use on the plantation I own here, the room to the East end of the House during her life, also that he supply her annually with forty bushels of Corn & ten of wheat for her maintenance during her life also that he furnish her with an acre of land for her use on what time she may make choice during her life -

Item I will & bequeath unto my daughter Jennet a negro woman named Bet & her three oldest children during her life & her full power to dispense to whom she pleases at her death, but if it should so happen in Providence that she should die before her Husband William Witherspoon in that case the said negro woman & children shall be to the use of the said Witherspoon during his natural life, & at his death the said Bet & her children shall be the property of John Deasmond the son of my daughter Jennet & to him & his heirs &c

Item I will & bequeath to my son Thomas the negro boy named Jack