

in the presence of us

James Orr

Thomas Wilson



Thomas Wilson

John Wilson

North Carolina Mecklenburg County Nov^r 30th 1795

I being of sound mind & memory & willing to Remembrance

the mortality of my nature & the uncertainty of Life -

Do think it convenient to constitute this my last will

& Testament & by these presents to will & dispose of my

Temporal concerns in the following manner Viz

1st I give & bequeath my body to the debt to be decently

interred there in at the discretion of my Executors & my

soul into the hands of God who gave it Item I give

& bequeath to my well beloved wife Elizabeth Woods

all my household furniture her spinning wheel one

black horse called black one brown mare called Fil one

large & one small set of plow horses with the plow tacking

two pair of new chains & their Tacklings, three Coward

Calves one three year old steer four head of sheep, four

of my best Bees or hogs all the grain & produce belong

ing to the plantation, her riding saddle the chosen

articles to be valued by persons appointed by my execs

& to be & remain the property of my wife Elizabeth

during her widowhood & in case of a marriage then

the one half of said valuation to be equally divided

between my four children, such articles as are for

immediate family consumption are not to be apprais

or valued Item I give & bequeath to my well beloved

son Cyrus all that part of my lands & possessions which

lieth South & South East of a line running from a black

oak corner above my Spring House to a Hickory corner

mine & Richard Hays corner - Item I give & bequeath

to my beloved son James all that part of my lands

lying North & North west of said line -

Item I give & bequeath to my brother Samuel five or
 six pounds Item It is my will that all the remainder
 of my property be sold & the monies arising therefrom
 after paying all my just debts be equally divided
 between my two beloved daughters Peggy & Rachel.
Item I do by these presents constitute & appoint Joseph
& James Henry Executors of this my last will & Testament
 & also to Superintend & direct the running of the law
 dividing my said between my two sons by read &
 James agreeable to the intent & meaning of this my will
 I do also by these presents utterly revoke & disannul
 all & every other will that might have been or might
 be supposed to have been made by me previous to
 the date of these presents - In witness whereof I
 have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal this
 day & year first above written

Signed & sealed in the presence of

John Davidson

James A. Bradley

James R. Alexander

Matthew Wood



State of North Carolina, Mecklenburg County -
 I Benjamin Wilson of said County, being of sound
 mind & memory do make & ordain this my last will
 & Testament viz - Imprimis I give & bequeath to
 my beloved wife Margaret Wilson - one Negro woman
 named Fena also one white named Plum & also one
 Negro girl named Beale & one Negro boy named Will
 & her choice of two horned creatures, four cows & hogs
 one beef steer & one young hifer four head of sheep, six
 head of hogs, and all my household furniture except
 & give for two horses, one Cox Matlock & also three
 five pounds in money to be raised & paid out of my
 Estates further it is my will that my said wife have
 her residence in my mansion house & the use &
 the use of the same & I now live