

In the name of God Amen, I John Barnett of the County of Mecklenburg
State of North Carolina being through the great goodness of God, this week
in body fit of a sound & perfect memory & understanding do constitute
this my last Will & Testament & declare that it may be recorded as such
in the Court of Records in my said County of Mecklenburg, my wife & children his
most glorious acceptance through the all sufficient merit & mediation
of my most beloved Saviour Jesus Christ who gave himself
to be an ~~atonement~~ for our sins this able to go to the uttermost
all that comes to God that his desire is we live to make no
exceptions for us & that I trust will not reject me a returning
penitent sinner when I come to him for mercy in the hope and
confidence thereof I render up my soul with comfort humbly be-
seeching the most glorious Trinity one God to prepare me for the time
of my dissolution & then to take me to himself into that precious
& incomparable felicity which he has prepared for all that love
& fear his Holy name -

And as to my worldly Estate I will & positively bequeath unto my
true & loving wife Hannah I now live in & all my lands & part of
the plantation I now live on during her life as her dower & also
the land & mill to be for her use, also a three pound silver & silver & silver
Hugon to be for her use & this in every also I will unto my true &
loving wife the negro girl named Peg to be for her use during her
life & at her death her share & estate to be equally divided among her
children, also our bed & furniture to be for her use with all the rest
of the household furniture to be for her use, the land I now live on
I will unto my son Hugh the Child my wife is now with is a boy
there to be equally divided amongst them equally; the negro boy
named Prince I will to be hired out or sold & to be equally divided
between Martin & the Child my wife is now with is a girl
if not to be for the use of Martin, the two beds I will to the use of
my children, the boy left to be sold & sent to the use of my children
I do constitute my wife William Potter & John Robinson as
executors of this my last Will & Testament & the same before this my
will executed, in Witness whereof I have hereunto set my
hand & affixed seal this 31st day of August 1798

John Barnett

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of my most comfortable and Redeemer Jesus Christ who gave himself
to be an ~~expiation~~ ^{expiation} for our sins this able to save to the uttermost
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-ceptions for us & that a trust will not reject me a returning
penitent sinner when I come to him for mercy in the hope and
confidence that if I render up my soul with comfort humbly be-
-sleaching the most glorious Trinity one God to prepare me for the time
of my death & then to take me to himself into that precious
incomparable felicity which he has prepared for all that love
his Holy name.

And as to my lastly estate I will & positively bequeath unto my
true & loving wife the house I now live in & all my household part of
the plantation I now live on during her life as her dower & also
the double silby to be for her use, also three cows silby & silby & silby
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loving wife the negro girl named Peggy to be for her use during her
life & at her death her share is to be equally divided among her
children, also one bed & furniture to be for her use with all the rest
of the household furniture to be for her use, the land I now live on
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named prince I will to be hired out or sold & to be equally divided
between Martin & the child my wife is now with is a girl
if not to be for the use of Martin, the two beds & quilts to the use of
my children, the boy Lott to be sold & sent to the use of my children
I do constitute my wife William Potter & John Robinson as
executors of this my last will & testament & they have this my
will executed, in witness whereof I have hereunto set my
hand & affixed seal this 31st day of August 1798

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John Potter }
Thomas Burnett }

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