

of my Hugs & I will tell as my Executors may think fit to be
Reserved for that purpose. And Lastly. I do constable Mr
& Captain my Brother I leave bequeath to other in law Richard
Brown & my loving friend John Healy to be my whole & sole
Executors of this my last will & Testament. And do hereby
make, Procurate & refuse all will & Testaments her
before made, now I do publish, pronounce & declare this & this
only to be my last will & Testament. As witness my hand
yest this 15th of September 1785

Signed, sealed, pronounced, & declared in the presence of

Robert Green
John Healy
Richard Brown

Robert Maxwell

To all Christians people whom these presents may concern
Know ye that I Major Moore of Beaufort County in the
Independent State of Carolina, having long labored under
severe Chronical disease by which the dissolution of my body
I daily appear to be nearly approaching & as I have been
singularly blessed with the use of my senses & reasoning
powers (Thanks be to my all bountious God that when he left
with the one hand, he addis & freely give singular blessing and
the other) I now therefore make this my last will & Testament
viz I recommend my soul to my all generous & merciful God,
God, and my poor decaying dying body I give to it, m. the &c
believing that by the Almighty power of God they will again
be reunited at the last Judgement day, when thro' the infinite
merit & mediation of my only Saviour Jesus Christ, / and by hope/
a glorious immortality. And as touching such worldly estate
which hath blessed me with in this life. I will give & dispose
of the same in the following manner & form.

I will, give & bequeath unto my dearly beloved wife Mrs.
Brown in place of her Dowry one further bed & furniture
big Black man, 1. no Cows & all the sheep & the premises
of having an Enjoying the profits of the plantation & living
privileges clearing, or otherwise had him with the said D.

support our three Children & both Schools them clear of Charge.
 I likewise give her my said wife Ann, all my plantation too
 place, Hanes, Gravel & to carry on the farm. Has much more
 as well purchase one new set of plantations. And as much for
 grain, meat & as will support the family until next Harvest
 & all the Kitchen/pantry pots pans etc. And all the clothes
 now in the house to be made up for the Children. And my
 Spanish & Indian etc to be kept for the boys at the discretion
 of my said wife Anne. Item I give & bequeath unto my
 beloved Daughter Abigail Robison one Pair of Drawers & the
 sum of five Shillings. Item I give & bequeath unto my beloved
 son James eleven the sum of Fifteen pounds. Item I give and
 bequeath unto my beloved son William Moore the sum of
 Fifteen pounds. Item I give & bequeath unto my beloved daughter Mary
 Socorro the sum of Thirty pounds. Item It is my will & pleasure that it
 be kept in the family for their use, and when my executors see fit, then
 to sell the said bay filly & her foal to be equally divided between
 my said Sons James & William Moore. It is my further will and
 pleasure that all the rest of my personal estate be sold by my Execut
 (except my Negroes) and the money thence arising together with all
 monies due me, after paying all my just debts & the said Legacies
 be equally divided among my said Children, James Moore, called
 Moore Victory Scott Moore. It is my will & pleasure that my Negro
 which death & his child be the property of my wife Ann who ever
 during his widowhood in order to carry on said farm for her and
 the Childrens benefit. Conditioned that if the said Negro
 prove obstinate, that my executors may sell him and apply the pro
 perty to the intentions of this will. And if my said wife
 shall die before either of my said Sons comes to
 at the age of Twenty one years, that then & in that case my faith
 neigbours, James Henry, Ezekiel Alexander & John Whittle. These
 do sell & dispose of this said plantation and divide the same
 equally between my said Sons James & William. So as that
 each of them to enjoy the 1/2, there left of they both to share
 having no doubt that there shall be an equal division.

Brain, meat & as will support the family until we next have
all the kitchen furniture pots pans &c. And all the clothes
now in the house to be made up for the children. Also my
spoon & candle stick to be kept for the boys at the discretion
of my said wife. Also — I give & bequeath unto my
beloved Daughter Abigail Robinson one pair of Drawers & the
sum of five shillings — I give & bequeath unto my beloved
Son James eleven Shillings the sum of fifteen pounds — I give and
bequeath unto my beloved Son William Moore the sum of
fifteen pounds. I give & bequeath unto my beloved daughter Mary
Scott Abigail the sum of Forty pounds. It is my will & pleasure that it
be kept in the family for their use, and when my executors see fit, then
to sell the said boy fifty Pounds price to be equally divided between
my said Sons James & William Moore. It is my further will and
pleasure that all the rest of my personal estate be sold by my Execut
(except my negroes) and the money thence arising together with all
monies due me after paying all my just debts & the said Legacies
be equally divided among my said Children, James, Moore, William
Moore & Harry Scott Abigail. It is my will & pleasure that my wife
Sarah Weston & her child be the property of my wife Ann who
during her widowhood is to be to her on said farm for her and
the Childrens benefit. Conditioned that if the said wife
prove obstinate, that my executors may sell her and apply the sum
equable to the intentions of this will. And if my said wife
Sarah Weston die before either of my said Sons Moore or
at the age of Twenty one years, that then & in that case my fourth
neighbour, James Henry, Ezekiel Abraam & John Williams. They
to sell & dispose of this said plantation and divide the sum
equally between my said Sons James & William. Sarah Weston
or either of them to enjoy the fifth. There will if they both shall die
leaving no heirs that there shall be an equal division
there Estate be given to these said daughters Abigail Weston & Scott Abigail
And for the above said purpose hereby gives Grant, Trustee, Capet
& set over unto them the said James Henry, Ezekiel Abraam & John
Williams & Abigail to them there Heirs & assigns, upon all that go
to said wife & husband in & their I mean him in trust present life.

they apply the same thereof as above specified, and also that
when my said wife & son shall die or marry the 1st time my Executors
James Henry & Ezekiel Alexander or either of them do sell my
said Negro woman Ruth (provided that she is not obliged to
be sold before as above hinted) & all her children the 1st time may
have for the last payment the price thereof arising from said Negro
to be equally divided among all my children then then
except the joint Trustees.

And whereas I have long intended to have conveyed by Deed to
John McWhorter Alexander a piece of the above described tract of
Land & as yet not done it which piece lies on Sheep Branch
leaving the Boundary & said the aforesd line including & spring
near said line. Therein having empowered my said Executors
James Henry & Ezekiel Alexander to sell as above, Do hereby
order them to make said Alexander hold for said piece of
Land he paying my said Executors a proportionable price for
the same & the Interest during their time since the date of
my Death. And Lastly. I hereby nominate & appoint my beloved
wife Anna Moore, my brother-in-law Ezekiel Alexander & my
dearly friend James Henry to be my whole & sole Executors of this
my last Will & Testament. hereby utterly revoking & disannulling
all & every other, former wills, gifts & bequests by me made either
by word or writing Ratifying & confirming this 2nd October to
be my last Will & Testament. In Testimony whereof I have here
unto set my hand & seal this 5th day of October 1785. / in
Signed Sealed published and declared to be dictated by the
said Anna Moore as his last Will & Testament, who
in his presence & in the presence of each other abovesigned
was present.

James Sharpe }
Anna Moore }
John Alexander }

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In the name of God Amen. I Sarah McMassey, being in perfect
mind & memory thank the Almighty for it & calling to mind the