



grain that is now in hand with all my Goddes of every kind, two of either  
back & four others, the one third of the Cupboard furniture, the one third of my  
Poultry with the one half of my Kitchen furniture, one large fine Table  
etc... That is, one large Walnut Chest down small pine Chest down old French  
otherwise as much bacon as will be necessary for the support of the family  
till fall, with a Spinning wheel. Wool & Card also materials to make up  
till fall, All therefore mentioned property I give unto my beloved wife  
in her own use & disposal. It is likewise my will that my beloved wife  
have the East end of my plantation beginning on the Creek bank on  
George Howies line & runs down the various courses of the Creek until a  
large W.O. on the bank of the Creek at the foot of a new bottom field  
cleared by Joseph Esterton & runs a south direction unto a crook of A.O.  
that bounds corner from thence the various courses until the  
beginning to have & to hold during life, likewise it is my will that my  
beloved wife have the use of the remainder of all my lands for the term  
of six years for the schooling & raising my family with utensils of every  
kind for to be used in the land with ~~the~~ <sup>the</sup> wife. It is likewise my will that  
she my slave if my beloved wife don't find it convenient for herself  
& family to live on the plantation that she shall have the power in  
list in her ~~affairs~~ to expose the whole of the land to sale. It is further  
my will that my beloved wife have six hundred dollars of the money  
arising from the sale for to purchase land, or to support during life  
etc... I do authorize any one of my sons who is twenty one years of age  
to make a sufficient note or deed of Conveyance as if I myself were  
busily present. It is likewise my will that my son John  
have the property that he made with him at the value of two hundred  
& thirty dollars. It is likewise my will that my two eldest daughters  
etc... Anne & Margaret have each of them a ~~set~~ <sup>a</sup> bed & furniture  
each of them to have one third of my Cupboard furniture, likewise  
it is my will that each of my daughters have ~~one~~ <sup>one</sup> bed each  
of them have a saddle & bridle etc... and her ~~one~~ <sup>one</sup> horse  
one to be purchased out of the estate. It is my will between  
my daughters Anne & Margaret has received the property men-  
tioned to them that each of them do refund back to the estate  
seventeen dollars etc... It is my will that my son Robert  
my bay filly and a saddle at the value of eighty dollars

likewise as much bacon at will for the support of the family  
till fall, with a spinning wheel. Reel & card also materials to make use of  
till fall, All therefore mentioned property I give unto my beloved wife  
in her own use & disposal, His likewise my will that my beloved wife  
have the East end of my plantation beginning on the Creek bank on  
George Harvey's line & runs down the various courses of the Creek until a  
large W. O. on the bank of the Creek at the foot of a new bottom field  
cleared by Joseph Riddick runs a south direction unto a crooked B. O.  
that bounds same from thence the various courses until the  
beginning to him to hold during life, likewise it is my will that my  
dear wife have the use of the remainder of all my lands for the sum  
of six years for the schooling & raising my family with utensils of every  
kind for to culti<sup>vate</sup> the land with to her it is likewise my will that  
all my slaves if my beloved wife don't find it convenient for herself  
& family to live on the plantation that she shall have the power in  
said in her ~~full~~ to expose the whole of the land to sale. His further  
my will that my beloved wife have six hundred dollars of the money  
arising from the sale, or to purchase land, or to support on during life  
him. I do further give any one of my sons who is twenty one years of age  
to make a sufficient full or deed of conveyance as if they all were  
presently present. It is likewise my will that my son John  
have the property that he moved with him at the value of two hundred  
& thirty dollars. His likewise my will that my two eldest daugh-  
ters Mary & Margaret have each of them a feather bed & furniture  
such of them to have one third of my Cupboard furniture, likewise  
it is my will that each of my daughters have bedding and each  
of them have a saddle & bridle & a carriage and horses to be  
paid to be purchased out of the estate. His my will before  
my daughters leave Margaret has received the property men-  
tioned to them that each of them do refund back to the estate  
one hundred dollars. Item. His my will that my son Robert  
my boy fifty and a saddle at the value of eighty dollars  
Item. His my will that the two thirds of my Poultry not disposed  
of be left to my beloved wife at her own discretion for the use of  
my family. His my will that after my decease the provisions

78 That I have made in regard of land for the support of my wife return to the State at her death to be disposed of as hereafter directed — Item It is further my will that all the remainder of my personal estate not heretofore mentioned be exposed to public sale as soon as convenient after my decease & the money arising from such sale together with my outstanding debts be equally divided with my beloved wife & family all three & three alike And lastly I do hereby nominate & appoint my trusty friend John Lassiter & my son John Howie to be the sole executors of this my last Will & Testament, hereby revoking all former wills by me heretofore made. Ratifying & confirming this to be my last will & testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal this 13<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 —

Signed, Sealed, Published & pronounced by the said William Howie to be his last Will & Testament in the presence of us who at his request have subscribed our names as witnesses

George Howie  
David Howie  
John Lassiter

William Howie

In the name of God amen. Ichery Henderson of the City of Charlotte  
do hereby declare & publish for the purpose of settling my earthly  
concerns & disposing of such Estate as it has pleased Almighty God to  
bestow on me, do make & publish this my last Will & Testament —  
First. I recommend my soul to God, thro' Jesus Christ & my body  
to be interred in a Christian manner at the discretion of my  
executors — g'dly I direct all my just debts & funeral expenses  
to be paid. I g'dly give & bequeath to my Daughter Mary A. Lister  
wife of John Robinson three hundred & fifty dollars. I also direct  
you & your wife to be in possession to her share of my Estate here  
after given & bequeathed in consequence of her not having received  
any part of the Estate of my deceased Husband Mr. Henderson  
I g'dly give & bequeath to my friends Andrew Henderson & Elizabeth  
& Alexander & to the survivor of them &c. These directions are to remain