

In The Name of God : Amen.

I Tompkin Sandeford of the county of Nash and State of North Carolina being weak of body but of good sence and memory thanks be to God do make and ordain this writing as and for my last will and testament in manner and form following viz:

Item: First of all I will that my two mares be immediately sold by my executor after mentioned.

Item: I lend all the rest and remainder of my estate be it of what nature ~~and~~ kind soever to my loving wife Mary during her natural life for the use of raising my children and after the decease of my said wife my will is that all my estate both real and personal be sold and the money arising therefrom to be equally divided between all my children namely Henry, Tompkins, and Nathan.

I also constitute and appoint by loving wife Mary and my brother in law Arthur Arrington whole and sole executors of this my last will and testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this second day of December Anno Dom 1782 .

Signed, sealed and

acknowledged in presents of

Tompkins Sandeford (Seal)

William Arrington

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Martha x Rose.

mark

Martha Arrington.

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NASH COUNTY.

APRIL COURT, 1783

The within will was exhibited in open court by one of the Executors therein named and proved by the oath of William Arrington who swore he saw Martha Rose and Martha Arrington sign the same as witnesses which is ordered to be recorded.

Attest.

Wm Hall, C.C.

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and is registered.

Wm Hall, C.C.

In The Name of God, Amen: This twelvth day of May in the year of our Lord 1782. I Benjamin Flowers sener of Nash County in the province of North Carolina, planter being weak in body but in perfect sence and memory thanks be giving to God for the same and calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, I do make my last will and testament that is to say principally and first of all I give my soul to God that gave it and as for my body I recommend it to the earth to be buried in a <sup>decent and</sup> christian like ~~and~~ <sup>decent</sup> manner at the discretion of my executors nothing doubting but at the general resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of god and as touching such worldly estate where with it hath pleased god to bless me in this life I give and dispose of the same in manner and form following that is to say in the first place.

Item: I give and bequeath to my son William Flowers my land and

plantation where on I now live if ever he comes back and if he never comes back and if he never comes back I give it unto my three daughters Dycea, Mary and Rachael to be equally divided amongst the three excepting my wives third.

Item: I also give unto my son William Flowers one bed and furniture and three cows and calves and my young Rone mare.

Item: I give and bequeath to my daughter Dycea Flowers three cows and calves and a young gray mare and a bed and furniture.

Item: I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary Flowers three cows and calves and a whitehorse and a bed and furniture.

Item: I give and bequeath to my daughter Reachel Flowers three cows and calves and my black colt and a bed and furniture I also give my old gray mare to my wife. and all the rest of my goods and chattels to be equally divided amongst my fore children william flowers ,Dycea Flowers , Mary Flowers and Reachel Flowers.

Item: I give to my daughter Lurana Nickols one shilling and no more.

Item: I give to my son Jacob Flowers one shilling and no more.

Item: I give to my son Benjamin Flowers one shillings and no more.

Item: I give to my son John Flowers one shilling and no more.

Item: I give to my daughter <sup>Jane</sup>/Row one shilling and no more.

I likewise constitute and make and ordain my wife Martha Flowers and Michel Hern my executors of this my last will and testament and I do hereby utterly disannull all other former testaments wills and legacies or executors by me in any ways before this time named willed or bequeathed confirming this and no other to be my last will and testament in witness whereof I have <sup>Signed</sup> set my hand and seal, the day and year above written.

Signed, sealed and delivered in presents of us

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Joseph x Phillips  
his mark

Jethrex Phillips  
mark.

Cornelius Jordan, Sen.

Nash County

his  
Benjaminx Flowers (Seal)  
mark.

The within will was exhibited in open court by one of the executors therein named and proved by the oath of Joseph Phillips asubscribing witness thereto who swore he saw Jethre Phillips and Cornelius Jordan Sen. sign the same as the witness which is ordered to be recorded.

and is registered Attest. Wm Hall, C.C.  
Wm Hall, C.C.