

Item:- I will and desire that if either of my above said sons die without heir all that is herein given to him may revert to the other to be held and enjoyed by him and his heirs forever. I also will and desire that one bay horse called Darby one barrell brandy and two suits clothes may be sold to the highest bidder and the money arising from the sale thereof be appropriated to the use of paying my debts.

Item:- I do constitute and appoint William Williams, Joseph Exum and Jesse Powell whole and sole executors and I do hereby disanul all and every other former wills, testaments and legacys bequeaths and executors by me ⁱⁿ any wise before named willed and bequeathed ratifying and confirming this and ^{as} other to be my last will and testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 30th day of November 1778.

Signed, sealed, published

and declared in presence

of us.

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William ^x Braswell (Seal)
mark

Wilson Vick
James Daniel
William Braswell.

Nash County January Court 1779

The within will was exhibited in open court and duly proved by the oath of William Braswell a subscribing witness thereto which is ordered to be recorded.

Attest Wm Hall, C.C.

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IN The Name of God, Amen:- I Edward Clinch of the County of Nash and State of North Carolina being in good health and of perfect sence and memory do therefore make and ordain this to be my last will and testament in the manner following, viz;

Item:- I lend unto my wife during her widow hood part of my plantation and tract of land whereon I now live and bounded as followeth, Beginning on Tar River at the mouth of the Beaver Dam Branch then up the various courses of the said Branch to the back line then the different courses of the lines to Tar River then up the different courses of the said river to the beginning.

Item:- I lend unto my wife during her natural life Great Gean, Jack & Judah and Bay Horse, a sorrel mare, ten head of cattle. Ten sheep, two feather beds and furniture, two chests, one square table, all my chairs Pewter pots and spinning wheels & cards and a frying pan and all my knives and forks and a gold ring.

Item:- I give and bequeath to my daughter Hannah Clinch to her and her heirs forever one negroe girl called little Gean and three hundred pounds current money of the State, one looking glass and plain gold ring.

Item:- I give and bequeath to my son Christopher Moore Clinch to him and his heirs forever all my land on Turkey Creek reference being had unto the deeds will appear and one negroe called James and one Black Walnut table and a gold mourning ring.

for Item:- I give and bequeath to my son Horatio Gates Clinch to him and his heirs forever, all my land on Tar River reference being had unto the deeds will appear and a negroe called George and a plain gold ring.

Item:- My further will and desire is that all the remainder of my estate that I have neither given nor lent be sold and equally divided amongst my three aforementioned children.

Item:- My further will and desire is that the estate that I lent unto my wife during her natural life at her death may be equally divided amongst my three afore mentioned children without selling any part thereof.

Item:- I do hereby ordain, constitute and appoint Dunkin Laman, Esq. and Joseph John Clinch and my wife Executrix. In witness whereof I have set my hand and affixed my seal this twenty third of November Anne Dom One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy Eight.

Signed and sealed in presence of

Attest. Edward Nicholson
Ethelred Dance
Edward Moore

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Edward Clinch (Seal)

Nash County, July Court 1779

The within will was exhibited in open court and duly proved by the oath of Edward Moore a subscribing witness thereto which is ordered to be recorded.

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In Thename of God amen: I Mourning Smith of Nash County, in the province of North Carolina, being in perfect health and memory thanks be to god but calling to mind the mortality of body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following to wit.

Item:- I give and bequeath to my daughter Chloe her heirs and assigns one negroe wench called Vilete also one hundred pounds proc. money also my English side saddle and bridle also one large looking glass. Also Twenty head of cattle and all my waring clothes.

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Item:- I give and bequeath to my grandson James Ricks twenty five pounds proc. money if he lives till he is twenty one years old.

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Item:- I give and bequeath to my Grand daughter Rhoda Ricks one negro boy called Luke, Also negro girl called Bett One hundred pounds proc. money. Also one feather bed and furniture and a side saddle and bridle to be paid to her when she is twenty one years of age or marrys and if she dies before she comes

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