

In the name of God Amen. Know all men
by these presents, that I David Forbes of Wilmington, being
of sound mind and memory, although weak in body, do
make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form
following, Vizt.

First, It is my desire that my funeral charges and just debts
be paid as soon as possible.

Secondly, I leave and bequeath as a free gift to my good friend
Robert Hogg of Wilmington for the many kindnesses and favors I have
received, and the love and esteem I now have for him, all my
estate real and personal of any kind whatever, during his nat-
ural life, and at his decease to my good friends Joseph Tilly
and John Gordon, to be equally divided between them at that
time, Vizt. Twelve negroes and the half of a negro, names as
under, Betty, Jim, Homer, Harriet, Ceres, Phillis, Robin, a
family of negroes, Ceres, Leticia, Tom, Silver, Phillis a family of
negroes, half of a negro boy, with any other part or parts of my
estate wherever the same may be or of what kind or kinds.

Lastly, I do appoint and constitute my trusty friends Joseph Tilly &
John Gordon both of Wilmington, Executors to this my last Will and
Testament, and my last desire is that they the said Joseph Tilly and
John Gordon shall deliver up to my good friend Robert Hogg for his use
during his natural life, my estate both real and personal wherever
he may think proper, to demand said estate or gift now left him
by me in Wilmington 15th July 1780.

Witness
Jno. Tilly
Alex. Horley }

This 15th July 1780, personally appeared before me, Mr John Terges,
and Alex Horley, and made oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almi-
ghty God, that the above instrument of writing contains the last
Will and desire of the late David Forbes, as by him dictated,
and that they believed him to be perfectly in his senses and memory
but grew too weak and incapable of signing the same.

Thos. Bloodworth. J.P.

Wilmington

Superior Court
November 1780

In open Court.

John Gordon produced a writing purporting to be the last Will
and Testament of David Forbes deceased; when John Terges made
oath upon the Evangelist of Almighty God, that he heard the said
David Forbes dictate to Alexander Horley, who with the deponent, signed

as a witness to the said Will; the words contained in the said Will or words in their meaning the same, I requested the said Hostler to reduce them to writing as the last Will and Testament of the said David, that the said Alexander Hostler did accordingly, and the said Will now produced, which appears in the handwriting of the said Alexander, was read to the deceased, and by him declared to be according to his true intent and meaning. The deponent further saith that the Testator was of sound, disposing mind and memory, but so weak in body, that they could raise him in the bed to sign his name without endangering his fainting and thereby as they feared hurrying his death.

A true copy from the records of the Superior Court of Wilmington

John Lillington. C. S. Ch

Wilmington Superior Court
November, 1780

In open Court

Alexander Hostler mentioned in the deposition of the said John Fergus, also maketh oath the several matters and things sworn to by the said John Fergus are true.

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At the same time, John Gordon and Joseph Titter, qualified as Executors to the said Will -

John Lillington. Ch. S. Ch

In the name of God Amen. I Sarah Fair of Wilmington being sick and weak in body, but of sound mind and memory, do make this my last Will and Testament, in manner following: I give and bequeath unto Miss Jenny Du Bois, my two negroes named Sydney and Belinda, and their increase to her, and her heirs forever.

Item. I give and bequeath unto Thomas Macclaine my two negroes named Lucy and Betty, with their increase, to him and his heirs forever likewise. I give unto the said Thomas, the amount of a bond due by Archibald Macclaine as one of the Executors of the late James Moran with all the interest due thereon.

Item. I give and bequeath unto my good friend Mrs. Poomey, such part of my worked muslin as she may choore, and a Seal, the round of which is lost, also any of my trinkets she may choore, and such part of my wearing apparel as she thinks worth her acceptance.

Item. I give and bequeath unto Thomas Macclaine afore said a lot in the town of Wilmington, adjoining the house in which I am