

I, David James of the town of Wilmington and State of North Carolina, being very sick and weak in body, but of perfect sound mind and memory, thanks be to God, do now make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in the following manner, and form —

First I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Jane James all the estate and property which she was possessed of, at and before the time of her marriage to me —

I give and bequeath to my son John James, one third of the remainder of my estate, both real and personal to be resigned and delivered to him, when he shall arrive at the age of thirty years and not before, by my executors —

I give and bequeath unto my son Thomas James, one third of the said remainder of my estate (being equal portion with my son John James) to be resigned and delivered him by my executors, at the age of twenty five years, and not before —

I give and bequeath unto my son William James, the remaining one third of my estate, being equal with the legacy of either John or Thomas James, to be likewise resigned and delivered him by my executors at the age of twenty five years, and not before he may be of that age —

I do hereby appoint my brothers John James and Thomas James, my executors, to act in all such of my affairs which may be or be remote from the town of Wilmington in the country; and in relation to such of the affairs of my estate as may be in and about the town of Wilmington, I do further appoint Capt John Brown and Mr Joshua Potts my executors; but in case of any thing very intricate, I desire that all the four executors may act jointly, or as many as may be survivors at such time —

In Witness of the within Will and Testament, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the tenth day of February, A.D. one thousand, seven hundred and ninety two —

Witness

David James (Seal)

Borthwick, & Gillespie

Desire Lamberth

Proved in February Term 1792 by Borthwick, & Gillespie and ordered to be recorded —

Anthony B. Toomer, Clk