

In the name of God Amen. I George Moore of New  
Hanover, County, in the Province of North Carolina, being of sound  
mind and memory (blessed be God) do this twentieth day of March  
in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy  
eight, make and publish this my last will and testament, in  
manner following, that is to say:-  
First. I bequeath my soul into the hands of Almighty God, hoping  
and believing a remission of my sins, through the merit & mediation  
of my blessed Saviour Jesus Christ; and my body I commit to the  
earth to be buried in the plainest manner, agreeable to the  
resolves of the worthy members of the Continental Congress, insisting that  
no further mourning be given. And my worldly estate I give and devise  
as follows:-

Item. I give, devise and bequeath unto my son James Moore, that  
part of my plantation called Moorefield, Beginning on my line that  
joins Mr John Ashe's, and to run from thence along the causeway  
towards my dwelling house, fifty four chains, and from thence a  
parallel line with Mr Ashe's line to each side of my line of my said  
land, being about four hundred acres; and all the residue of  
my said plantation I give, devise and bequeath unto my son  
George Moore, Nevertheless, it is my will, that if my said son  
James Moore should die without lawful issue begotten of his body  
then the whole of the said land to go to my said son George Moore,  
agreeable to the patent for the same, to them and their heirs forever.

Item. I give, devise and bequeath unto my son Thomas Moore  
five hundred acres of land, joining another piece I gave my son  
John Moore of the like quantity, being a patent for one thousand acres.

Item. I give, devise and bequeath unto my son William Harding  
Moore, all that my plantation in the County of Brunswick, in  
the fork of Lockwood's Holly, containing one thousand acres, as by  
patent granted to John Porter, and Nathaniel Moore, to him, his  
heirs and assigns forever.

Item. I give, devise and bequeath unto my son Frederick Moore five  
hundred acres of land in Mount Misery Neck, to be laid off for  
him joining on the upper line of the piece of land I gave to my son  
John Moore, Thomas Cooper, running along said line to the thence  
and thence up the river and N West river, sufficient to make out the  
full quantity of five hundred acres aforesaid, to him, his heirs  
and assigns forever.

Item. I give, devise and bequeath the remainder of my land in  
Mount Misery Neck, and also my land at the Hawfields, each to  
be divided into six equal parts, in such manner, as each piece may  
be as nearly equal in value as possible, by indifferent persons well  
skilled in the knowledge of lands, and then my sons George, John Baptist  
James, Thomas, William Harding and Frederick Moore, to draw,

lots for each of their parts, which when so drawn, I give each of  
them, drafts to them, their heirs and assigns forever.  
Item. It is my will that if any of my sons should die under the  
age of twenty one years, that such lands as are to be divided as  
above, be equally divided among all my children above mentioned.  
Item. All my other lands not before mentioned in this my will, such  
as I may now hold in my own right, or may be entitled to by the  
will of my father, Roger Moore, as well as my lots in Brunswick  
and Wilmington, I give either to be equally divided among my  
wife and all my sons, together, with my daughters Sarah, Bess,  
Margaret and Martha Moore, or to sell the same and convert  
it into money or young slaves, and the same to be equally divided  
among them all share and share alike, except my plantation  
on the sound which I devise to my wife Sarah Moore, together with  
all the house furniture that may be then on at my decease.  
Item. It is my will that my beloved wife Sarah Moore shall have  
the sole use of my plantation which I have given my son Thomas  
joining on John Moore during her widowhood, and whenever she  
may think proper to alter her state by marriage, that then the said  
land become the property of my said son Thomas. And I will that  
as soon as can be after my decease, a dwelling house of at least  
fifty feet long and twenty wide, be well framed, put up and finished  
off, on the said plantation, together with a barn, kitchen and other  
proper out houses necessary for the comfortable accommodation of  
my said wife. And it is further my will, that my said wife shall  
reside at Moorfield as sole mistress thereof until the said buildings  
are completed; and in order to expedite the same, I give the service  
of all my carpenters and blacksmiths, to forward the same, and  
the whole to be done at the expence of my estate in common.  
Item. I give to my dearly beloved wife Sarah Moore, her two maids  
named Hannah Sudley, also the wench Kelly left by her fathers  
will, my maids sempstresses Judy and Grace, together, with all their  
present and future increase, also my mulattoe man Ned.  
Item. I give to my son George my man Anthony, and carpenter, Jack,  
and to my son John I give Isaac and Hally. To my son James I give  
Harry the smith, with Flora and all her present and future increase  
together, with Anthony's Peg and all her children, also a boy called  
Zachariah, with a girl named Pamela.  
Item. It is my will that immediately after my decease my executors or qualified  
my wife do make choice of six boys and six girls out of my negroes (not  
before given off) none of which to exceed the age of twelve years, which said  
slaves I give to be equally divided among all her children, and the said  
slaves to be under the immediate care of my said wife for their use, and to  
be given according to their respective ages.  
Item. I give to my beloved wife Sarah Moore her own proper chest, and

table, her mahogany bedstead, together with the twelve mahogany chairs  
all my silver spoons with the case of knives and forks and silver  
spoons sent me by the grandmother of Alice Holland, and all my  
china, glass ware and pictures, with my Phacton and the two horses  
named Sam strong and Snap, that usually draws it  
them. I give to my son George Moore my gold watch, and all the rest  
of my house furniture except my beds and bedding, my wife to  
have her own first, and the rest to be equally divided among all  
my sons

them. After, all my just debts are paid and not before, then I give the  
residue of my estate not before given to be equally divided among  
my wife and all my sons and daughters; and when such division  
is made, I desire such slaves as may fall to the lot of her own  
proper children, may be delivered into her care for their use, to act  
as she may think proper, for their advantage, but in case any of  
them should die before they arrive to the age of twenty one years, or mar-  
riage, then such share to be equally divided among the rest of her chil-  
dren and my son James Moore; and if my said son James should die  
before he arrives to the age of twenty one years or marriage, then his part  
shall be divided among the sons and daughters of my said wife Sarah  
Moore by me begotten

them. I give unto my daughter Mary Davis, the sum of five pounds sterling  
money, to be paid her by my Executors, in full of any claim she may have  
in my estate, having already given her, what I esteem a full propor-  
tion of my estate

them. It is my will that one full half acre of ground be laid out  
round my family burying place at Moorefield, to be sacredly kept,  
for that use, with free ingress and egress from and thereunto, for all  
my family and descendants who shall choose to be buried there  
forever, notwithstanding any thing heretofore mentioned in this  
my will respecting any gift of my said plantation

Lastly, I do hereby nominate, constitute and appoint my beloved  
wife Sarah Moore my Executor and Guardian to all her children,  
together with my beloved friends Samuel Ashe, Frederick Jones  
Senior, Frederick Jones Junior, and my two sons George and John  
Baptista Moore, Executors to see this my last Will and Testament  
duly performed. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my  
hand and seal the day and year above written.

Signed, sealed, published and declared  
to be my last Will and Testament, in  
presence of

George Moore (Seal)

Thomas Jones  
Maurice Moore  
Maurice Jones

At New Hanover, October, Court 1778

The within last Will and Testament, was exhibited to the Court and proved on the oath of Maurice Moore a subscribing witness thereto, who saw the Testator sign, seal, publish and declare it to be and contain his last Will and Testament, and that at the same time he believed him to be of sound and disposing mind and memory, and that at the same time Thomas Jones and Maurice Jones signed as concurring evidences thereto. John Moore and Thos Jones, being qualified as Executors to the within will.

Saml Swann. C. Ct.

In the name of God Amen. I Hugh Munn, being of sound mind and memory, but weak in body, and considering the uncertainty of this life, do make this my last Will & Testament in manner and form following.

First. I commend my soul to Almighty God who gave it me, in hopes of mercy, through the merits of my blessed Saviour, Jesus Christ as to what worldly goods it has pleased God to bestow upon me I dispose of in manner following.

Impiumis. I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Ann Munn all my whole estate both real and personal. and do hereby appoint and nominate her the said Ann Munn sole Executrix, and by these presents revoking all former or other wills, acknowledging this only my last Will and Testament,

signed under my hand and seal this 19<sup>th</sup> Decy 1771.

Signed, sealed and confirmed

Hugh Munn. Seal

in the presence of us

John Fergus

Richard Quince Junr

Rebecca Quince

New Hanover County }  
July Term 1779

The within last Will and Testament of Hugh Munn, was exhibited in open Court and proved by the oath of Doctor John Fergus a subscribing witness thereto, who swore that he saw the testator sign, seal, publish and declare the same to be and contain his last Will and Testament, and that he believed the testator was of sound and disposing mind and memory; also that Richard Quince and Rebecca Quince signed at the same time as concurring evidences thereto.

Thos. McClaine. C. Ct.