

In the name of God Amen.

I John Batson being to in bodily health but sound in mind and memory; after I commit my Body to the dust; and my Soul to the God who gave it; I dispose of my Earthly substance as follows.

I give and bequeath to my Niece Martha Ann Anders my Negro girl Dorrahy, Also one Bed and furniture

It is my Will that my Lands, my Horses, Crop and what else I may be possessed of therein not mentioned shall be sold; and all my just Debts paid; And whatever may be left I lend to my Mother during her life time;—

It is my Will at the Death of my Mother that my Brother James Batson shall have One Hundred Dollars; and the balance to be equally divided between my Sisters Mary Anders and Sarah Batson.

I hereby appoint my Friend John Howard Executor to this my last Will Testament, as Witness my hand and Seal May 3rd 1848

Teste

Charles H. Alexander

James Anders

John ^{his} Batson
mark

State of North Carolina

New Hanover County Court

September Term
1848

This last Will and Testament of John Batson Deceased is exhibited in Open Court and duly proven by the Oath of Charles H. Alexander one of the subscribing Witnesses thereto, whereupon it is considered by the Court that the same is the last Will and Testament of said John Batson and as such Ordered to be Recorded and filed; and at the same time John Howard the Executor therein named duly qualified as such

Teste

L. H. Marsteller Clk.