

In the name of God Amen. I John Cowan of the town
 of Wilmington, do make and publish this instrument of
 writing my last Will and Testament -
 First. I do hereby authorize and empower my Executor
 herein after named to sell any part or the whole of my real
 estate, for the payment of my debts, upon such terms as he
 may think best -
 Lastly. I do hereby, nominate, constitute and appoint my
 beloved father, Thomas Cowan Executor, to this my last Will
 and Testament hereby revoking all former wills by me
 heretofore made - In witness whereof I have hereunto set my
 hand and seal this eighth day of August 1827 -
 Signed, sealed and delivered } John Cowan. (Seal)
 in presence of
 Gabl Holmes Jr,
 W H Halsey

New Hanover, County } County Court Sept, Term 1827

The within last Will and Testament of
 John Cowan was exhibited in open court and proved by Gabl
 Holmes Jr, one of the subscribing witnesses and ordered to be filed
 at the same time Thomas Cowan qualified as Executor -
 Witness
 Tho^s H Davis. Clk -

The Last Will and Testament of John Brews -

In the name of God Amen. I John Brews publish
 and declare the following instrument of writing as and for
 my last Will and Testament -
 I give and devise unto my wife Mary, her heirs and assigns
 forever, two negroes Daniel and Freed, and all the rest and
 residue of my estate of every kind and description whatso-
 ever, of which I may be possessed or entitled to; in trust and
 confidence to and for the sole and separate use of the said
 Mary during her natural life; this my last Will & Testament
 hereby revoking all others by me heretofore made. In witness
 whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this eleventh
 day of September in the year of our Lord 1828 - his
 John x Brews (Seal)
 Mary