

At the time thereof, he appeared to this Deponent to be of sound and disposing mind and memory. At the same time John Devine Esq., James Colvin and John McAllister, Executors and Executrix thereof named appeared and qualified as such a quorum to have ordered that to their testamentary and accordingly John London C. C.

State of North Carolina

New Hanover County } Feb

In the name of God. Amen.

I, John Bray of the State and County aforesaid, Machine, being weak, in body, but of sound mind and memory, and considering the uncertainty of this life, do make and ordain this my last will and Testament, in manner and form following, revoking all former or other wills by me made, ratifying and confirming this only to be my true and last will, vizt.

I give and bequeath to my two sisters, Sarah and Ann Bray of the City of Limerick, in Ireland, all my whole estate both real and personal, Monies &c. to be equally divided between them after my just debts are paid.

Lastly, I do hereby nominate and appoint Mr John Herges of the State and County aforesaid, Surgeon, to be my only true and lawful Executor with full power, to demand and recover all debts due to me, to take into possession all monies &c being my property, and to execute this my last will.

Acknowledged and confirmed in presence of us

Francis Price

Clias Howell

John Herges

State of North Carolina

New Hanover County } Wilmington Nov 4th 1777

Before me Jonathan Dumbibin Esq one of

the Justices for the County aforesaid, personally appeared Doctor John Herges and Mr Clias Howell, who make oath and say, that Capt. John Bray heard the within will read, and acknowledged it, to be and signed at the same time as a concurring evidence, and that they believed him to be of sound disposing mind and memory, but too weak, in body to sign said will.

Sworn to this 4th Nov 1777. before me

Jonathan Dumbibin

At New Hanover, January Court 1778.

The within last Will and Testament was exhibited to the Court, and proved on the oath of Mr Francis Price a subscribing witness thereto, and that Elias Howell signed at the same time as corroborating evidence thereto.

Sam^l Swann. C. C.

In the name of God Amen. I Rannad bosbini, New Hanover, County in the State of North Carolina, being of sound mind and memory, do make, constitute and appoint this to be my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all other Wills and Testaments by me heretofore made.

I give, devise and bequeath unto Lewis Le Grand a mulattar boy (the son of a negro woman called Kelly) whom I purchased of Mr Frederick Jones & Co (he having purchased from Sarah Moore widow of the late Mr George Moore) his freedom for ever, and I desire my Executors will have the same ratified by the County Court.

I give, devise and bequeath unto the said Lewis Le Grand a negro woman called Thengy, together with her children Nanny, Iris, Billy and Tom; also I give unto the said Lewis Le Grand a negro boy called Jimmy, and a negro girl called Rose, together with all the future increase of the above mentioned negroes, to have and to hold the same forever. I desire and request my Executors will hire out all the above negroes excepting any of them that Kelly may choose to be with her, and the money arising therefrom to be applied to the use of the said Kelly, and Lewis Le Grand, and the child the said Kelly is now big with.

I give devise and bequeath unto the said Kelly, my horse Sambo, six cows, one bed, bolster, and pillows, all my blankets, sheets and all my bed furniture, and as much of my kitchen furniture as she wants, and what China I may have, all my clothes and shoe buttons.

I give devise and bequeath unto Capt Thomas Allen three negroes, viz, Banesby, Dolly, and her child Jimmy; and I request and desire he will purchase the child that Kelly is now big with from Mr George Moore, and have it made free: this I expect, and make no doubt he will comply with, as I know his sincerity and friendship for me, and as they will be sufficient pay, being for the price of the child.

I give, devise and bequeath unto Mr Frederick Jones & Co, my plantation whereon I live, and a piece of land (adjoining the said plantation) which I took up, for and in consideration of the