

North Carolina

In the name of God Amen.

I, John Quince of Wilmington in New Hanover County, Merchant,
being of sound mind and memory, do make and ordain this
my last Will and Testament, in witness and full following
testimonies. I commend my soul into the hands of Almighty God,
and my body to the earth, to be buried in a christian like manner
at the direction of my Executors and Executors hereafter mentioned.
I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Ann all the share,
money or interest of whatever kind or nature soever, that I have
and possession or am by any ways or means intitled to in her right or
behalf. Also the lot and house in Wilmington wherein I now live, for-
merly belonging to William Littlejohn, together with all the outhouses,
gardens and enclosures thereto belonging, and all the houses
hold goods and moveables of what kind or nature soever that I may
be possessed of, together with my watch, riding chair, all my horses
and cattle, and what is not yet sold of Marston's alley formerly
belonging to Benjamin Heron Esq deceased, together with all the houses
wharves &c thereto belonging; my negro fellow Toney, my negro
maid Diana and her children, to have and to hold to the proper
use and behoof of my said wife Ann, for and during her natural
life; and at her death the same to go unto my daughter Mary, her
heirs and assigns forever; but in case my said daughter Mary
should die before my said wife without lawful issue, then and
in that case I give and bequeath the whole right, title, property
and interest of the whole to my said beloved wife Ann her heirs
and assigns forever.

I give and bequeath unto my daughter Mary, my house
and lot in Wilmington formerly belonging to Jacob Miller, and
at present occupied by Mr Ward and Richard Bralley, my land
and houses on the Sound, the title to which is yet to be made by
Anthony Ward. Also the sum of between fifteen hundred and two
thousand pounds due to me from my father Richard Quince,
and all the rest and residue of my estate real and personal,
and not before devised to the proper use and behoof of my said
daughter Mary her heirs and assigns; but if my said daughter
should die before my wife Ann, before marriage or before she attains
the age of ^{eighteen} years without lawful issue, then and in such
case I give and bequeath the same and every part and parcel thereof
profit or interest arising therefrom, unto my beloved wife Ann
her heirs or assigns forever.

It is also my express will and desire that the money aforesaid
due to me from my father, be received by my Executors & Executors
hereafter mentioned, and by them applied to the purchase of negroes
for my said daughter Mary, and the money arising from the rent,

of the house, hire of the negroes, or interest of money be applied for the support and education of my daughter Mary. And if any surplus more than necessary for such purposes, the same to be laid out in such manner, as my Executor and Executors shall judge most for the advantage of my said daughter Mary. And I also hereby declare that it is my will that my said daughter, Mary, shall be under the direction and care of my said wife Ann, until she come of age or marry.

And lastly. I hereby, nominate and appoint my beloved wife Ann, my brother Richard Duince June, my friend Lewis Henry DeKosket and James Walley, Executor and Executors of this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking and making null and void all former wills and testaments by me heretofore made. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this fourth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy five.

Signed, sealed, pronounced and declared
by the Testator, as his last Will and Testament
in presence of

The word "twenty one" erased, and the word
"eighteen" interlined

Here. I also give and bequeath a negro boy named Tom to James Walley, living with my wife. As witness our hands and seals this day and date above written.

Test

John Duince Seal

Alexander Hostler,
John Bray,
Thomas Wright

At New Hanover January Court 1776

The above last Will and Testament of John Duince Esq. dec^d, was exhibited to the Court, and proved on the oath of Alex^r Hostler, one of the subscribing witnesses, who swore he saw the testator, sign, seal, publish and declare the same to be and contain his last Will and Testament, and that at the time thereof, he appeared to this deponent to be of sound and disposing mind and memory, and that John Bray and Thomas Wright signed with him as concurring witnesses to the same. At the same time James Walley, one of the Executors therein named qualified as such agreeable to law. Ordered that letters testamentary issue thereon accordingly.

John London. C. Clk

Richard Duince June, one of the Executors nominated in the within Will appeared before me and took the oath of an Executor, to the same, this 11th February 1776.

John Anderson. S. P.