

thousand seven hundred and seventy two, 1772. And further
more I order, my Executors to put these children of my brother
Joseph Watsons above named to school in the country, to learn
to read and write as much as necessary for their station.

Testes
Sam^l Blythe
Sam^l Marshall }

Jonathan Watson Seal

At New Hamovee, October, County, 1772

The within last Will
and Testament, was proved on the oath of Sam^l Blythe, a sub-
scribing witness, who swore he said the said Jonathan Watson
sign, seal, publish and declare the same to be and contain his
last Will and Testament, and that at the time thereof, the testator
appeared to be of sound and disposing mind and memory, and
that Sam^l Marshall signed as concurring evidence thereto.
John Watson appeared and qualified as Executor to the said
Will agreeable to law. Ordered letters testamentary, if need
any.

John London. C. C.

In the name of God Amen. I, Joseph Watson
of North Carolina New Hamovee, County, being weak, of body but
in perfect mind and memory, do make and ordain this my
last Will and Testament, that is to say, first and principally
I recommend my soul to Almighty God that gave it, and my
body I recommend to the earth to be buried in a christian bur-
iall, at the discretion of my executors hereafter named, as
touching my earthly inheritance which it has pleased God
to bless me with in this life, I give, devise and dispose of in the fol-
lowing manner, and form.
I give and bequeath to my well beloved daughter,
Hannah Watson one shilling sterling, for the use of her, her
heirs and assigns forever.
I give and bequeath to my well beloved daughter, Esther
Watson one shilling sterling for the use of her, her heirs and assigns forever.
I give and bequeath to my well beloved daughter, Elizabeth
Watson one shilling sterling for the use of her, her heirs and assigns forever.
I give and bequeath to my well beloved daughter, Ann Watson
one shilling sterling for the use of her, her heirs and assigns forever.
I give and bequeath to my two sons William and John Watson
this piece or parcel of land on which I now live, containing two
hundred acres more or less, and all my personal estate consisting
of horses, hogs, cattle &c. to be equally divided between them both, for

use of them, their heirs and assigns forever,

Item. But in case my wife should prove pregnant, as it possibly may be, then and in such case give and bequeath the infant if born alive, an equal part of all my personal estate, to him or her, its heirs and assigns forever,

Item. I will that my beloved wife Sarah Watson shall live on the said plantation and enjoy a peaceable possession of all my personal estate, during her widowhood, and in case of her marriage to descend to my children as before mentioned. Lastly. I nominate and appoint Richard Player, Executor, and my beloved wife Sarah Watson Executrix to this my last Will and Testament; and I do utterly, disallow, disannul, revoke all former Wills and Testaments heretofore made by me, ratifying and confirming this only,

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this first day of February, in the year of our Lord 1774

signed, sealed and published

Joseph Watson (Seal)

in presence of

Saml Marshall

George Blyth

At New Hanover
April Court 1774

The within Will was exhibited to the Court and proved in due form of law, on the oath of Samuel Marshall, one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, who swore that he saw the Testator, sign, seal, publish and declare the within to be and contain his last Will and Testament, and that at the time thereof he was of sound and disposing mind & memory. At the same time Sarah Watson Executrix and Richard Player, Executor, therein named, qualified as such agreeable to law.

John London. C. of