

New Hanover County }
 July Term 1787

The within last Will and Testament of
 the late John Williams was exhibited in Court, and proved
 in due form of law by Morris Ward esquire.

Thos. McClaine. Clk.

In the name of God Amen. I Mark Wood
 of the County of New Hanover, and State of North Carolina,
 being through the abundant mercy and goodness of God, tho'
 weak in body, yet of a sound and perfect understanding
 and memory, do constitute this my last Will and Testament,
 and I desire it may be received by all as such.
 First. I most humbly begueth my soul to God my maker,
 beseeching his most gracious acceptance of it, through the
 all sufficient merits and mediation of my most compassi-
 onate Redeemer, Jesus Christ, who gave himself to be an aton-
 ement for my sins, and is able to save to the uttermost all that
 come unto God by him, as to my worldly estate I will &
 positively order, that all my debts be paid first.

I give to my dear and loving wife for the term of her wid-
 owhood, this house where I now dwell, with all the furniture
 and the lands and tenements that lie about it; and after
 the term of her widowhood to my only daughter Pamelia
 her heirs and assigns forever.

My other piece of land lying on Sandy Run, I desire that
 may be sold for paying debts and charges: then I leave
 to be divided equally between my wife and two daughters
 all my stock, goods and Chattels, which I now possess.

Then I leave my good friends and kind relations James
 Doty and James Hentzess, and do constitute them executors
 of this my last Will and Testament, and trustees for my wife
 and children. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my
 hand and seal the eighth day of February in the year of
 our Lord 1788.

Witnesses

Thos. Ramsay. Jeremiah Hulet }
 John Howard }

Mark Wood (Seal)

New Hanover County } The within last Will and Testament
 July Term 1788 } of Mark Wood was proved in due
 form of law by the oath of Thomas Ramsay

Thos. McClaine. Clk.