

North Carolina
New Hanover County

In the name of God Amen.
Whereas Jacob, Oneale of the said County, being of body, but
in perfect mind and uncertain of life, I leave my body to be in-
terred at the discretion of my executors, and my soul I recommend
to God who gave it; and for my worldly estate I give and bequeath
following.

I give unto John Simpson of the said County, aforesaid, all my
worldly estate and properties belonging to me. Likewise I leave
him Executor and Administrator of my estate, to pay off all my just
debts and to receive all just debts due to me. This being my last
Will and Testament, as Witness my hand and seal this 27th day
of February 1764.

James Smith

Edward Burnage

John Alexander, Wilkes

his
Jacob, + Neal (Seal)
mark,

Jacob, Neils Will proved at March Court 1764 on the oath of Edward
Burnage one of the Witnesses thereto agreeable to law. John Simpson
qualified as Executor thereto, and letters issued to him.

J. M. Moran. C. C.

In the name of God Amen. I Mary Newton
of Wilmington in the Province of North Carolina, being in a low
state of health, but of sound disposing mind and memory, do make
this my last Will and Testament, in manner, and form following.
That is to say, First of all it is my will that all my just debts and
funeral charges be fully paid and discharged.

I then I give and bequeath unto my nephews Roger Roots and Samuel
Roots sons of James Roots dec^d, their heirs and assigns forever, equally
between them share and share alike, one half part of my plantation
land, commonly known by the name of Rootses land on Carvers
Creek, in Bladen County, together, with one half share of my saw mill
thereon.

Also I give and bequeath unto my nephew Samuel Maulsby
son of my brother, William Maulsby deceased, his heirs and assigns
forever, my lot of ground in Wilmington, with all the improvements
thereon, commonly known by the name of the ferry house and lot.

Also I give and bequeath unto my friend Henry Toomer of Wilming-
ton my negro fellow named Nero, together, with my marble slab,
and two China punch bowls.

Also I give and bequeath unto Sarah Wilkins of Wilmington, widow,
to be paid out of my estate by my Executors, to her, the sum of

one hundred pounds proc. money, as a mark, of my esteem and the
friendship I bear to her,

Then I gave and bequeath the sum of ten pounds proc. to be paid
by my Executors to my good friend and old acquaintance Mrs. Mary
Forrester to be by her laid out, in a suit of mourning,
and all other my estate real and personal what soever not herein
before bequeathed, I give, devise and bequeath unto my step daughter
Anne Newton daughter of my late husband Thomas Newton decd,
and unto my niece Sophia Roots daughter of John Roots decd, and
each of them, heirs and assigns forever, to be by my Executors equally
divided between them share and share alike.

Lastly. I nominate, constitute and appoint my friend the before
mentioned Henry Towner and John Annum Esq. of Wilmington
to be Executors of this my will, hereby revoking all other wills by me
made, and acknowledging this only to be my last will & Testament.
In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal
this twenty first day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand
seven hundred and seventy three.

Signed, Sealed and declared in
presence of us, who at the request
of the said Mary Newton and her
presence have hereunto subscribed
our names, N.B. the words seven
hundred being interlined before
the signing.

Wm Robeson

Mary Loring
Amos Howes

M Newton (Seal)

At New Hanover, April Court 1774.

The within will was exhibited
to the Court, and proved in and form of law on the oath of John
Robeson a subscribing witness thereto, who swore he saw the testator
sign, seal, publish and declare the within to be and contain her
last will and Testament, and that at the time thereof, she was
of sound and disposing mind and memory, at the same
time Henry Towner, Executor therein named qualified as such
agreeable to law.

John London. C. C.