

In the name of God Amen. I Thomas Wright of the County of New Hanover, and the Province of North Carolina, being in perfect health and of sound mind and memory, do make this my last will and Testament, in manner following that is to say, First. I give and bequeath to my loving wife Ann Wright the use of the house and plantation whereon I now live, during the time she remains my widow and no longer, I also give and bequeath to my said wife Ann Wright and to her heirs and assigns forever, one half of all my household furniture except such articles as are herein after bequeathed to my daughter Ann Wright, together with one fifth part of all my slaves, cattle, horses and hogs.

Also. I give and bequeath to my son Thomas Wright and to his heirs and assigns forever, the house and part of land whereon I now live, containing one thousand acres, bounded to the northward on Nevers Creek, and to the Southward on Bragg's Creek, reserving to my wife Ann Wright the use of the said house and plantation during the time that she remains my widow and no longer, I also give and bequeath to my said son Thomas Wright and to his heirs and assigns forever, one fifth part of all my household furniture excepting such articles as are herein after bequeathed to my daughter Ann Wright.

Also. I give and bequeath to my son Joshua Wright, and to his heirs and assigns forever, my tract of land between the plantation whereon I now live and a bald, grainier, containing six hundred and forty acres, together with one fifth part of all my slaves, cattle, horses and hogs.

Also. I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary Wright, and to her heirs and assigns forever, my lot in the town of Wilmington containing twenty feet upon Market Street, and one hundred and thirty two feet back, joining the house and lot belonging to Abel Poff, together with my land on Black River, joining Cobb's grainier land on Widow Moore's creek, containing six hundred and forty acres, and also one fifth part of all my slaves, cattle, horses and hogs.

Also. I give and bequeath to my daughter Ann Wright and to her heirs and assigns forever, one fifth part of all my slaves, cattle, horses and hogs, together with two feather beds and furniture, with three pair of sheets to each bed, one looking glass, one stand & castors with silver tops, six mahogany chairs, one silver butter boat, and silver milk pot, one pair silver salts, and a plantation on the sound lying N. E. of Cornelius Harnett's Bay, and N. W. of Daniel Dumbidin's deceased out houses thereon.

Also. I give and bequeath to my son or daughter, my wife Ann Wright is now going with, all the lots or lands lying in Wilmington divided between Henry Toomer, and Henry Young left by the grand

father of said Toomer's wife, young wife, and my wife Ann Wright, that in case the said child should live, then my slave together with hogs, horses, and cattle shall be divided in six parts. It is my desire that in case either of my above mentioned children shall die before they come of age or the day of marriage the child's estate so dying shall be equally divided between the surviving children, share and share alike, and should any thing remain of my estate not herein bequeathed it is my will that such remainder shall be equally divided amongst my wife and children.

And lastly, I do hereby appoint my loving wife Ann Wright, executrix, during her widowhood and no longer, and my friends, brothers Garbett, John Annum, Robert Scham and Henry Toomer, Executors of this my last will and Testament, revoking and annulling all former wills by me made heretofore.

In Witnes whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the nineteenth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy.

Signed, sealed, delivered, published
and declared to be the last will and
Testament of Tho^s Wright in the
presence of

Tho^s Wright. *Seal*

John Walker
Tho^s Braike
Tho^s Withers

At New Hanover, July Court 1771.

The within will was exhibited to the Court and proved on the oath of Thomas Braike one of the subscribing witnesses who swore that 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 was to the best of this deponent's knowledge and belief of sound disposing mind and memory, and that John Walker, and Thomas Withers signed with him as concurring evidence thereto at the same time Ann Wright qualified as Executrix agreeable to law.

John London. C. C.