

These may certify, that Mrs. Anne Ward has qualified
as an Executor to the annexed Will of Col. Anthony Ward, agree-
able to law, before me this 21st day of July, 1783.
Thos. Walker, J.P.

These may certify, that Jonathan Dumbibin has qualified
as an Executor, to the annexed Will of the late Mr. Anthy Ward
agreeable to law, this 15th Decr 1784, before me
Jm: Ferguson, J.P.

In the name of God Amen. I William Wilkinson
of Wilmington in the State of North Carolina Esquire, being, of
sound and disposing mind and memory, do make this my last
Will and Testament, in manner following, that is to say—
I will and devise that all my just debts and funeral
charges be paid and discharged as soon as conveniently may be
after my decease—
Item. I give and bequeath to my brother Robert Wilkinson of Duplin
County, my negro man Tom now in his possession, my negro man
booke, and the debt he now owes me, together with all my wearing
apparel, a walnut table and six walnut chairs—
Item. I give bequeath and devise to my nephew William Wilkinson
son of my said brother Robert, my house and lot in the town
of Wilmington near the Church, and now in possession of George
Jacobs, and also three acres of land upon the Island opposite
Wilmington (purchased from John Morris) situated next above
Mr. Herons lot; and further, I will and bequeath to my said nephew
William Wilkinson the sum of two thousand Spanish milled dollars
which if paid to him in a depreciated currency, my will is that
he should receive as much of such currency as will be equal in
value to so much specie, to be paid him when he shall arrive
at the age of twenty one years, or day of marriage which shall
first happen—
Item. To each of the other children of my said brother ^{Robert} I give
the sum of five hundred pounds payable when each shall res-
pectively attain the age of twenty one years or day of marriage
which shall first happen—
Item. To William Macclaine son of Archibald Macclaine Esq.
I give the sum of five hundred pounds, to be paid to him when
he shall attain the age of twenty one years—
Item. To Elizabeth Macclaine wife of Archibald Macclaine Esq., I
give the sum of Two hundred and fifty pounds for her sole and
separate use—
Item. To the Reverend Mr James Tate, I give the sum of five pounds

yearly, for five years after, my decease, and also whatever sum of money he may be indebted to me.

Item. To Cornelius Hamet Jacob Holt, I give the sum of two hundred and fifty pounds, payable when he shall come of age.

Item. To William Henry Hill son of William Hill, I give the sum of two hundred and fifty pounds, payable when he comes of age.

Item. Towards the building of an house of worship in the town of Wilmington for persons of the presbyterian communion (provided such house of worship shall be begun within seven years after my decease) I give the sum of five hundred pounds, to be paid by my Executors to such person or persons as shall be lawfully authorized to receive the same for that purpose.

Item. My silver watch, buckles and buttons, with all my silver plate, plated bridle bit and plated stirrups, I devise may be kept by my Executors for my nephew John Wilkinson son of my brother Thomas Wilkinson deceased, to be delivered to him when my said Executors shall think proper.

Item. In consideration of the faithful services of my negro slave Phillis, it is my will that she and her daughter, Hannah, be sent to Philadelphia by my Executors, at the expense of my estate as soon as conveniently may be after my decease, there to be freed and manumitted from slavery, ^{the, the said Phillis and Hannah her daughter, or either of them} provided ^{they} shall while my nephew John Wilkinson resides in Philadelphia for his education (when thereto required) wash, mend and make such clothes for him as is usual for women to wash, mend and make.

Item. My just debts, funeral charges and legacies being first paid, I give, bequeath and devise the rest and residue of my estate real, personal and mixed, to my said nephew John Wilkinson, son of my brother Thomas Wilkinson deceased, to be delivered and paid to him, when he shall attain to the age of twenty one years. But in case of the death of my said nephew John Wilkinson (son of my said brother Thomas deceased) before he attains the age of twenty one years; or in case he should die without heirs of his body lawfully to be begotten, then and in either case I give, bequeath and devise the said residue of my estate to William Wilkinson (eldest son of my brother Robert) his heirs and assigns to be delivered to him when he arrives at twenty one years of age; and in case of the death of the said William (eldest son of my said brother Robert) before he arrives at twenty one years of age, then I give, bequeath and devise the said residue of my estate, real personal and mixed, to be equally divided between the children of my said brother Robert share and share alike, otherwise the rest and residue of my said estate, to remain to my said nephew John Wilkinson his heirs and assigns forever.

Item. It is my will and desire that my Executors, as soon as conveniently may be after my decease, send my said nephew John Wilkinson to Pennsylvania, there to be placed at a good school until he shall be qualified to go to a College or Academy, and that my Executors expend such sums as they think necessary for his maintenance and education.

Lastly. I do hereby nominate and appoint Cornelius Hazen, Archibald MacLaine and William Gibb Esquires, Executors of this my last Will and Testament.

In Witness whereof, I the said William Wilkinson the Testator have hereunto set my hand and seal this twenty second day of September, in the year of our Lord, one thousand seven hundred and eighty.

The above written last Will and Testament, wrote on two pages of paper, was signed, sealed, published and declared by the above mentioned William Wilkinson the Testator, as and for his last Will and Testament, in presence of us, who have hereunto subscribed our names, the words "they the said Phillis & Sidney her daughter, or either of them" being first interlined between the ninth and tenth lines from the top of the second page, the words "also" being first interlined between the fifteenth and sixteenth lines from the bottom of the said second page.

Thos. MacLaine

J. Gibb

Wm. Hazen

I, William Wilkinson of Wilmington do make this Codicil to my last Will and Testament, dated the 22nd day of September last, as above written.

I give and bequeath to my brother, Robert Wilkinson, my oldest Mahogany desk, all my kitchen furniture, my saddle and bridle (the stirrups and bits excepted) one hundred pounds weight of Muscovado sugar, fifty pounds weight of Coffee, and my best bed, with the bed furniture thereto. I give to my servant Phillis such bedding as my Executors shall think proper, and desire that she and her daughter, Sidney may be maintained at the expence of my estate until they can conveniently be sent to Philadelphia.

It is my Will that such part of my moveables as my Executors may think necessary, may be sold, and that my lands, houses, stores, wharves and negroes, may be rented and otherwise managed to the best advantage, for the benefit of my residuary Legatee; and in case my estate should descend

by my Will to the younger children of my brother Robert, so that the same cannot be conveniently divided, I do hereby direct that my said estate may be sold by my Executors or the survivors or survivor of them, so that the money arising therefrom, may be the more equally divided among the said children.

I give to Cornelius Hammett, Archibald MacLaine, William Hill, John Sampson and Thomas Allen esquires, a cask of my oldest rum, containing about thirty or forty gallons, to be equally divided between them.

I do hereby appoint my Executors to be guardians to my nephew John Wilkinson, and in case of his death to superintend the education of my nephew William Wilkinson, and to manage such part of my estate as he may be then entitled to under my will.

In Witness whereof I the said William Wilkinson have hereunto set my hand and seal this thirty first day of October, being one thousand seven hundred and eighty.

Signed, sealed, published and declared by William Wilkinson as a Codicil to his last Will and Testament, in presence of

Wm Wilkinson (Seal)

Jas Hulse

Thos MacLaine

State of North Carolina

Wilmington District

November, Superior Court 1780.

The above and within instrument of writing was exhibited in open Court and proved by the oath of Thomas MacLaine one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, to be the last Will and Testament of William Wilkinson dec^d in due form of law.

Ordered that the Clerk of New Hanover County Court record the same and make out and issue letters testamentary thereupon, with a copy of the said last Will and Testament according to the Act of Assembly in such case made & provided.

John Lellington. C. S. C.