

Item before which I give to her other heirs for exec.

I give and bequeath to my daughter Frances Atherton one Negroe Lad named Nelson, & a Bo. Named little Peter, one Negroe wench named Sissy one do named Fannie, one negro boy named Stephen one Bo Name or Anthony also it is my desire that she may have a horse Bridle Saddle at about Twenty five pounds value in gold or Silver, also our bed, & four niture, the same to be delivered when she comes to lawful age or Marriage, also I give the above said to her other heirs for exec.

Item I give and bequeath unto my son Sipe Atherton all of lands that I am possessor with containing the tract I bought of Barnabas Thomas one do I bought of Mr. Cowper so tract which said tract the Court have now made me also one tract I bought of Bennet Hill lying in y<sup>e</sup> Meadows, also one tract I bought of Mr. Allen Jones lying in y<sup>e</sup> Georgerha bush containing three hundred & fifty acres, and also all y<sup>e</sup> negroes that I am possessor with excepting seven that I have heretofore given away viz. them Mary, Alice, James that I bought of Fannie Rignum Duke, Mrs. George Bob, Austin, Jeffry, Aaron Bryant, that I bought of Mr. Wm. Hincher & Hill that I bought of Mr. Vaughan, Graw & Lucy, Simon & Simon, Smith, Amy Cherry Cato Nam, Charlotte, and all y<sup>e</sup> rest of my whole Estate Stock of all kinds bonds notes debts dues & demands of any kind whatsoever. It is also my desire that my debts be paid out of the Estate, left in so clause if otherwise is that my wife should be handsomely maintained out of the remaining part of my son Sipe Atherton's Estate during her natural life, she above so desieris I give to my son Sipe Atherton his heirs and assigns forever, and I do hereby appoint

my wife Betsy Atherton & John Dawson my hols Dole Executress of this my last Will & Testament, signed sealed & delivered in the presence of us this 19<sup>th</sup> day of Augt 1787.

Teste

J. Dawson

Nancy Gibbs { Amherst County, Va. June Court 1787  
James Cullen { This Will was pronounced Oath of  
Cly Bryant } John Dawson & James Cullen at the  
mark } same time with Atherton Individually  
as an individual. Ordained to be Certified & Recorded  
E. Haynes, CCh

Sipe Atherton Q.C.

### William Edwards Will

In the Name of God Amen. I William Edwards of Northampton County in the Province of North Carolina being very sick and Weak but of perfect sound mind and Memory But calling to mind that all men must die I make this my last will and testament In manner and form following first I resign my soul to God that gave it and my body to be buried in a decent and Christian like manner as for my wretched estate which it has pleased Almighty God to endue me with in the following Manner viz.

Item I give and bequeath to my Son John Edwards, five plates and a large dish one great Pot and one feather bed upon

Item I give and bequeath to my Son Isaac Edwards four plates and one small Dish one iron Pot one chest one feather bed after my decease

Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Siley Edwards four plates and a bed

Item I give to my Son Stewart Edwards five Shillings Proclamation money and no more.

Item I give to my Daughter Mary Chancell five Shillings Proclamation money and no more.

Item I give to my Son John Edwards all the remainder  
of my estate to him and his heirs for ever  
and I do hereby appoint my Son John Edwards my sole  
and sole Executer of this my last Will and Testament  
In witness whereof I have set my hand and seal this  
19 day of November 1775

Tell

Williams & Edwards Esqrs  
his mark

George Barkly

Michael Blooatek

Northampton County Supt. June Court 1777.

This will was drawn by Michael Blooatek at the same time  
that Edwards qualified as Executor, or before to be  
sureas. Tell Supt Atherton Oct

### Benjamin Hart's Will

In the Name of God Amen I Benjamin Hart  
of Northampton County in the Province of North Caro-  
linae, at present living very sick and weak of body  
but of perfect sound mind and memory thanks  
be to God therfor calling to mind the mortali-  
ty of my body both Give and Disposse my Goods  
and chattles in manner and form following

Item I give and Bequeath unto my beloved wife Mary  
Hart all that part of my Estate that at my pur-  
that that I enjoy by marriage of her to her and  
her Heirs for ever.

I also give unto my beloved wife Mary  
Sone More one Cow & eight Pigs Ten Barrels of Corn  
to her and her heirs forever.

I do Constitute and appoint my beloved wife Mary  
Hart and Lawrence Smith my sole and sole  
Executors of this my Last Will and Testament  
making void & Disannulling all Wills by me  
hereof or made In witness whereof I have

hereof set my Hand and seal this twenty day of  
April anno domini One thousand Seven Hundred and  
Seventy Seven

Tell

Benjamin Hart Esq

Balaam Emry

Hannah Jordan

Sara Emry

mark

Northampton County, 4 June  
Circuit 1777

This will was drawn by Balaam  
Emry at the same time Mary Hart qualified as  
Executor ordered to be recorded

Tell Supt Atherton Oct

### James Turner's Will

North Carolina Northampton County

In the Name of God Amen this 22<sup>d</sup> day of September 1775  
I James Turner of the County & Province of North Carolina  
in body but of good sound memory thanks be to Almighty  
God for his calling to remembrance the uncertain  
time of this transitory life and that all flesh must  
return to earth when it shall please God to call me to make  
constitute & ordain this my last will and testament  
in manner and form following making and enu-  
merating by these presents all and every testament and  
testaments will & wills heretofore by me made and  
declared either by word or writing and this 20<sup>th</sup> day  
taken only for my last will and testament and none other  
I give & Bequeath unto my son Harmon Turner the sum of  
five Shillings I give & Bequeath unto my daughter  
Martha Luis & Nancy Bardsley & Sarah Turner  
the sum of one negroe girl called Phyllis to be servior equal  
by among them & if when the children come to age of  
they cannot agree the negroe must be sold  
I give & Bequeath unto my daughter Lucy Howell  
the sum of five Shillings I Bequeath unto my son