

that it is appointed for all men once to Die, to make & ordain this my last will & testament that is to say principally first of all I give & recommend my soul unto the Hands of God almighty that gave it & my Body I recommend to the Earth to be Buried in a decent manner.

Item I give & bequeath to my Deare & belov'd wife Isabell the Plantation wherew' I now live during her Natural Life or & soon after her decease or Marriage to be sold at the highest bidder & the money to be equally divided between my son Robert & my son Williams & my son Samuel & my son Benjamin & my son Joseph & my son James & my daughter Elizabeth & my Daughter Susanna.

Item I give & bequeath unto my wife all my House Hold furniture my Hogs but what is hereafter mentioned.

Item I give & bequeath to my wife all my Cattle Cows & other mair.

Item I give & bequeath to my son Samuel one bay Horse.

Item I give & bequeath to my son Benjamin one young bay Mare.

Item I give & bequeath to my son Joseph one small Coll.

Item I give & bequeath to my son John five Shillings

Item I give & bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth fifteen pds. Shillings

Item I give & bequeath to my daughter Monica five Shillings

Item I give & bequeath to my daughter Mollie five Shillings.

I appoint my wife Isabell & my son Robert Dukes as my executors of this my last will & testament utterly dismising now her & disannulling all former testaments or Wills & legacies bequeathed & executors by me in anywise before named either bequeathed ratifying & Confirming this & no other to be my last will & testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand & Seal the day & year above written. *Robert Dukes* *Seal*

Attest Thos R. Dukes, Notary, Lumberville.

Northampton County of Febry Court 1767.

This last will of Robert Dukes was proved by Edmund Sam
uel, at the same time Robert Dukes wife of the said Robert at same
time being qualified as the owner, ordered to
be certified & Recorded Teste Willm Jones C.C.T.

Nicholas Mengesdale

In the Name of God Amens the 18th Day of May 1758.
I Nicholas Menges of Northampton County of North Carolina
Planter being sick & weak in Body but of sound & perfect Mind
knowing thanks be given to god therefore calling to mind
the mortaliety of my Body & knowing that it is appointed
for all men once to Die do make & ordain this my last will
& testament that is to say principally & first of all I give & bequeath
my soul unto the Hands of God that gave it
my Body I recommend to the Earth to be Buried in a de-
cent Christian burial at the discretion of my executors not
doubting but at the general resurrection I shall re-
ceive the same again by the mighty power of God & as
touching such worldly estate wherewithal I have to leave
all God to bless me in this life I give devise & dispense
of the same in the following manner & form.

Item I leave & bequeath to my son John Menges my Plantation
that I now live on & of his himself he dies wth. His wife &
to my son Samuel Menges & his wife & the rest of my estate
my lawfull Debts being paid I leave to my wife Ann Morgan
during her life after her decease to be Equally divided am-
ongst all my Children I do constitute & appoint my
son Samuel Menges & my son John Menges to be executors
this my last will & testament & Revoking & disannulling
all other Wills & testaments In witness whereof I have
hereunto set my hand & seal the day & year above written
Simmon Sampson. *Nicholas Menges* *Seal*

Northampton County of May Court 1768.

This last will & testament of Nicholas Menges and
was proved by the oath of Simmon Sampson, at same
time Sam'l Menges was Qualifid as test of the same
ordered to be Certified & Recorded

Teste Willm Jones C.C.T.

that it is appointed for all men once to die, to make & ordain his my last will & testament that is to say principally & first of all I give & recommend my soul into the hands of God almighty that gave it & my body I recommend to the earth to be buried in a decent manner.

Item I give & bequeath to my dearly beloved wife Isabel the planter now wherein I now live during her natural life or & if she should after her decease or marriage to be sole at the highest bidder & the money to be equally divided between my son Robert & nephew Williams & my son Samuel & my son Benjamin & my son Joseph & my son James & my daughter Rachel & my daughter Lucy.

Item I give & bequeath unto my wife all my houses & all furniture my horse but what is hereafter mentioned.

Item I give & bequeath to my wife all my cattle, corn & live stocks.

Item I give & bequeath to my son Samuel one bay Horse.

Item I give & bequeath to my son Benjamin one young bay mare.

Item I give & bequeath to my son Joseph one small colt.

Item I give & bequeath to my son John five shillings

Item I give & bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth fifteen pds. shillings

Item I give & bequeath to my daughter Mary five shillings

Item I give & bequeath to my daughter Milla five shillings.

I appoint my wife Isabel & my son Robert Dukes as my executors of this my last will & testament attorney & law revoking & disannulling all & every other former or late wills, legacies, bequests & executors by me in anywise before named written & bequeathed ratifying & confirming this no other to be my last will & testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal the day & year above written.

Robert Dukes *Seal*

Witn^g Thos Risp^g. Supt. Summerville.

Northampton County of February Court 1767.

This last will of Robert Dukes was proved by Edmund Lumister, at the same time Robert Dukes wife of the said Robert at same time being qualified & sworn, and to be certified & recorded Teste Willm Jones CCT

Nicholas Menges Esq: L

In the Name of God Amens the 16th Day of May 1758.
I Nicholas Menges of Northampton County of North Carolina Planter being sick & weaker in Body but of sound & perfect mind & memory thanks be given to God therefore calling to mind the mortality of my Body & knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make & ordain this my last will & testament that is to say principally & first of all I give & recommend my soul into the hands of God that gave it & my body I recommend to the earth to be buried in a decent Christian burial at the discretion of my executors nothing doubting but at the general resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God & as touching such worldly estate wherewithal hath pleased God to bless me in this life I give devise & dispose of the same in the following manner & form.

Item I leave & bequeath to my son John Menges my Plantation that I now lies out of his hands of he dies with his wife and to my son Samuel Menges & his heirs & the rest of my estate my lawful debts being paid I leave to my wife Anna Menges during her life & after her decease to be equally divided among all my children I do constitute & appoint my son Samuel Menges & my son John Menges to be executors this my last will & testament & revoking & disannulling all other wills & testaments In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal the day & year above written Simon Simpson. *Nicholas Menges* *Seal*

Northampton County of May Court 1768

This last will & testament of Nicholas Menges aforesaid was proved by the oath of Simon Simpson, at same time Sam'l Menges was qualified as executor of the same, ordered to be Certified & Recorded

Teste Willm Jones CCT