

John Blythe's Will. In the name of god amen I
John Blythe of the County of Northampton and State of North Carolina
being sick in body but of sound mind and memory and knowing that
it is appointed to all men once to die do make and ordain this my last
will and testament and principally and first of all I give my soul into
the hands of Almighty god and my body to be buried at the discretion of
my Executors not doubting but at the general resurrection I shall receive the
same again, and as to such worldly estate wherewith it hath pleased god
to bless me in this life, I give, devise and dispose of the same in the follow-
ing manner and form - I then I lend to my beloved wife the use of my
Land and plantation during his natural life or widowhood then I give
and bequeath the said land and plantation to be equally divided between
my two sons, Zachariah and Sugard. I also lend to my wife my negro
boy Sam and my woman Selva to use during life or widowhood
then I give and bequeath them to my son Sugard. I also lend to my
wife one feather bed and my young man and all my stock of cattle & go
household and kitchen furniture with my plantation utensils except one
Cow and one Sow which I give to my son Zachariah one feather bed and
furniture which I give to my daughter Polly one feather bed & furniture
to my daughter Lucy, and one to my son Zachariah to them and theirs
heirs forever. I give and bequeath the amount of a note due me from my
son Solomon of one hundred and fifty Dollars to be equally divided
between my two sons viz to Allen & Benjamin. It is my will & desire
that at death or on average of my wife, all that may remain of the house-
hold and kitchen furniture lent to my wife shall be divided between
my daughters Polly & Lucy equally, and what may remain of tools and
plantation utensils be equally divided between my sons Zachariah and
Sugard. It is my desire that my daughters Polly and Lucy shall
have a home on my Land or in my home as shall best suit them during
their lives single. I give to my son John seven Dollars to Solomon five
Dollars. Lastly I constitute my wife my whole and sole executrix to this
my last will and testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set
my hand and seal this 13th day of May in the year of Lord 1826

Teste
James Wright, James M Donahill
Timothy Darden
Northampton County June Court 1826. John Blythe
The last Will & Testament of John Blythe
dict. was exhibited in open Court and proved in due form of law by the oaths of James
Wright & Timothy Darden two the subscribing Witnesses thence Whereupon
Blythe the Executrix thence named qualified according to law, Ordered to be confirmed
& recorded -
Teste John W. Harrison C.C.C