

North Carolina
Orange County

May Court 1776 The Execution of the within
Will was duly proved in open Court by the oath
of James Harrington one of the subscribing Witnesses
and Ordered to be Recorded.

Test. J. Nash Clerk

In the name of God, Amen, the Tenth day of March in
the year of our Lord one Thousand Seven hundred & Seventy six
I William Bumpas of the County of Orange & Province of North
Carolina, being sick and weak of body but of perfect mind and
memory, thanks be God for the same, therefore calling the
mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed unto
all men One to to Die do make and ordain this my last Will
and Testament, principally and first of all I give and recommend
my precious and immortal soul into the hands of God that
gave it me, and as for my body I commend it to the Earth
to be buried in a decent & Christian like manner and that
at the discretion of my Executors whom hereafter I shall
appoint, nothing doubting but at the generall Resurrection
I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God
and as touching my worldly Estate wherewith it has
pleased God in this life to bless me with in this life, after
my just Debts and funeral expenses are paid I give devise
and dispose as followeth (to wit) Item, I give and bequeath
to my well beloved father Robert Bumpas all that Tract or
parcel of Land wherupon I now live, as also one Negro
man named Phill to him and his heirs forever
Item I give and bequeath to my well beloved wife Mary Bumpas
all the rest of my Estate to her and her heirs forever, my
purpose is that my Estate be not appraised but the Legacies be paid
in kind as they are mentioned Item I make and Ordain my true
and lawful Executors Gabriel Davy and Mary Bumpas & Edward
Bumpas and Executors of this my last Will and Testament,
ratifying this and no other to be my last & Testament In Witness
whereunto I have set my hand & Seal
James Vanhook William Harrington
James Davis

William Bumpas
make

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In the name of God, Amen, I James Nations of the Town of Hillsbo-
rough in the County of Orange and Province of North Carolina,
being weak in body, but of sound memory & Judgment (thanks be
unto God therefor) do this fifth day of December in the
year of our Lord one Thousand Seven hundred & Seventy Six
make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner
following (to wit)

Intimus, My Will is that my Land on the head branches of Ellabus
be rented out or leased at the discretion of my Executors
hereafter named, and out of the money arising out of such
Rent or Leas, I give and bequeath Ten Pounds yearly Money
to my Grand Daughter
And to her three heirs
forever

Item I give devise & bequeath the above mentioned Land on the head
branches of Ellabus first to my Grandsons James Reid, Robert
Reid, William Reid & Nelson Reid, to them & their heirs forever
Provided nevertheless that in case of the Death of
my Son in Law William Reid, I allow my Daughter Helen
Reid to have the free use & Enjoyment of the above Land
during her natural life

Item I give & bequeath to my Grandsons James Reid, Robert Reid,
William Reid & Nelson Reid all my Right, Title & Property
of a piece of Land on Ellabus first, containing four hundred
Acres (for which I have paid to Earl Granville Office
the Money for entering & surveying) to them & their heirs
forever

Item I give and bequeath to my Grand Daughter Helen Nations Ten
pounds yearly Money to her three heirs forever

Item I give and bequeath to my Grand Daughter Rebecca Nations
Ten pounds yearly Money to her three heirs forever

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