

In the Name of God I move the 27th of February
 One Thousand Seven Hundred & Twenty five I John Burgess of the County
 of Orange and Province of North Carolina being of good and sound
 Memory thanks be to God for it and Calling to mind the
 Uncertain Estate of this transitory life and that all flesh
 must yield to death when it shall please God to call
 do make Constitute ordain and declare this my last Will
 and Testament in manner Here following Revoking and
 Annulling by these presents all and every Testament or
 Testaments Will and Wills Here to fore by me made and
 Declared either by word or writing and this is to be taken
 only for my last will & Testament and none other and
 first being moved and Lorry from the Bottom of my heart
 for my sins first most Humbly desire forgiveness for the same
 I give and bequeath my soul unto Almighty God my Saviour
 and Redeemer in whom and by the merits of Jesus Christ
 I trust and believe assuredly to be saved and to have
 full Redemption and forgiveness of all my sins and
 that my soul with my Body at a general day of the
 Resurrection shall rise again with Joy and through
 the merits of Christ's death and passion prosper and
 Inherit the Kingdom of Heaven prepared for his Elect and
 Chosen and my Body ~~being~~ to be buried in such a manner
 when it shall please my Executors here after mentioned
 to appoint and now for the settling my Temporal Estate
 and such Goods Chattels & Debts as it hath pleased God for
 a time my Debts to bestow upon me I do order and dispose
 the same in manner and form following that is to say
 first I will that all these Debts and dues as I owe in
 Right or Conscience to any manner of person or persons

Whatever shall be well and Truly Contented and paid
 or Discharged to be paid with in convenient time after my
 Decease by my Executors here after named Item I give
 and bequeath to Elizabeth Mendenhall two Cows & Calves and
 after my wife's Decease I give and bequeath to my wife
 all that I possess as long as she lives and after her Decease
 to be Equally divided Between Lady Burge & Susanah Stonewall
 Benjamin Williams of the said Benjamin Williams Hays with
 my wife till her Decease I appoint my wife Elizabeth
 Burgess to be my whole Executor to my said Estate
 Signed Sealed and Delivered in presence of
 us all — Thomas Palmer }
 Edward Robert } John ^{his} Burgess ^{mark} 

North Carolina }
 Orange County }

May Inferiour Court 1775
 The Execution of the within Will was duly
 Proved in Open Court by the Oath of Edward
 Robert one of the Subscribing Witnesses there to
 And Ordered to be Recorded —

Test T. Nash