

North Carolina, Aug. Superior Court of
Orange County

The Execution of the within will
was duly proved in open Court by the Oath of
Thomas Hill and ordered to be Recorded

Test J. Mashell

In the Name of God Amen I Thomas
Grathee of Orange County in this Settlement
Planter Being weak in Body but of sound mind
and Memory Blessed be God. Do this day Eleventh
of April one thousand seven hundred and seventy
four make and publish this my last will
and Testament in manner following that is
to say First I give to my son William Grathee
a part of my Land viz from the corner of my
Grove near my son William's right from
the Oak to the mouth of my spring Branch that
I live upon and no more Also I give and Bequeath
to my son John Grathee one English Shilling and
no more. Also I give and Bequeath unto my
Daughter Mary one Shilling and no more also
I give unto my wife Elizabeth all the Land I hold
and my Children that I had to Elizabeth my wife
During his widowhood she is to have the Benefit of said

Land to raise the Children only what I give unto
my son William Above mentioned also I give
unto my wife Elizabeth and her Children all my
Household stuff and moveables the Benefit During
his widowhood and at the end of his widowhood all
said moveables is to be Equally Divided among them
and at the end of my wife Elizabeth's widowhood I bequeath
unto my two sons Samuel Grathee & Thomas all the
Land that I hold in possession only what I give unto
my son William Above mentioned he is to have it always
and the rest to be divided between Samuel & Thomas Also
the rest residue of my goods and personal Estate
whatsoever to my said wife and so make her my wife
Wife sole executrix of this my last will & Testament
and I make my loving friends Thomas Barton John
Connor Overseers of this my last will to take care of the
same and see the same be performed according to my
true intent and meaning and for their pains I give
each of them one Shilling in Witness whereof I the said
Thomas Grathee have to this my last will and Testament
set my hand and seal the day and year above written
Signed Seal and Delivered in presence of Thomas Grathee
Thomas Barton
John Connor
Elizabeth Mashell

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