

and further do constitute and appoint
my Beloved wife Mary wife to be and
sole my Executor to this my last Will
and Testament in Testimony Whereof I have
hereunto set my hand and given my
Seal this Twelfth day of March in
the Year of our Lord one Thousand Seven
Hundred and Seventy Two in the Land and
before signed between the Sixth and seventh
Line with after to be sold
Signed sealed and delivered
In presence of
Bridger Bayne
Abraham Miles. Jurat
Benjamin B. Magram. Jurat
Mark

North Carolina
Orange County August 1772
Court

The Execution of the within
Will was duly proved in open Court by the
Oath of Bridger Bayne and ordered to
be recorded

Test T. Nash Cle

I John Pike of Orange County and Province of North
Carolina this Twelfth day of March or the third Month
in the Year of our Lord one thousand Seven Hundred
and Seventy one being in Health of Body and of
perfect Mind and memory. Being to God and knowing
that it is appointed for all men once to die Do make
and ordain this my last Will and Testament and as
touching such worldly Estate as it hath pleased
God to bestow on me with in this world I give and dispose
of it in manner and form as follows. I ordain and
constitute my Beloved wife Abigail Pike and my
Elder Son John Pike to be my only and sole
Executor and Executrix of this my last Will and Testamen
I allow first of all my just debts and funeral Charges to be paid
out of my Estate. Also I give and dispose unto my two
Eldest Sons namely John and Samuel Pike all my Lands to be
equally divided between them allowing my Eldest Son
John to have my Beloved Wife to have reasonable
provision of my said Lands and improvements during
her natural Life time. I also give and Bequeath
to my youngest Son Nathan twenty pounds to be
freely disposed of and enjoyed by him and his heirs for ever
I also give and Bequeath unto my Beloved wife
Abigail all the rest and residue of my Estate both
whatsoever during her Life and after to be divided equally
between my six Daughters Sarah, Peggott Anne, Mary
Susannah, Elizabeth, Mary, Ruth, Thomas Rachel Williams
In Witness and Testimony Whereof I have hereunto set my hand
and the day and year last above written
Signed sealed and in presence of
Thomas Pike
Abigail Pike
Elizabeth Rame Jurat
John Pike (Seal)

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
Cuthbert of Orange County in his 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 Cuthbert
a part of my Land viz from the corner of my
Grove near my son William's field 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 Cuthbert 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 and also I give
unto my wife Elizabeth and her Children all my
Household stuff and moveables the Benefit During
her widowhood and at the end of her 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 Cuthbert & 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
I bequeath of this my last will & Testament
and I make my Loving friends Thomas Barton John
Connor Executors 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 Cuthbert 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 Cuthbert
Thomas Barton
John Connor
Elizabeth Cuthbert

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 Barton and ordered to be Recorded

Test J. Mashell