

In the name of God, Amen October the 28th 1775

Alexander Coharan of the County of Orange and Province of North Carolina being sound of mind tho' weak of body knowing that all men are once to die and being very apprehensive of the brevity of my time by my present indisposition thinks it my duty now to make my last Will and Testament. I bequeath and freely give my soul to God he give the same hoping he will pardon all my sins and favor me with a glorious resurrection after my sleep my body being recently interred. I order as to my worldly concerns in manner following first that all my legall debts be honestly discharged out of my Estate that God in his providence hath blessed me withall and what remains I leave and bequeath in manner following that is to my will beloved Wife Easter I leave the benefit of the third of my real and personall Estate so long as she doth remain a Widow, and when that she doth marry then she is to give all bloom or bloom to any thing belongin to me and his Bid & the whole all I leave to my eldest son John Coharan the Improvement that I purchased of Barnabas Grims also I do leave unto my second son James Coharan the plantation that I purchased of Richard Davsons with the land lying betwixt said place and the river or branch running past the house that Rich Will now lives in likewise I leave to my son Alexander Coharan the same Samuels Coharan and the Child my beloved Wife is now great with if it should be a son the Estate or plantation I myself doth now live upon to be divided equally into three shares that is to say if the Child my Wife is with should be a son, then that land over the branch meachand to James to be given to Alexander, Samuel and the Child my Wife is with if a son, and if it should be daughter then James to have it at the year of Twenty one but the other Alexander Samuel not to have the Command of their Land till the will of the Children that is my beloved Daughter Jan Coharan Easter Coharan & Bridget Coharan be raised that is till they come to the years of eighteen then of the Child my Wife is with be a daughter James Alexander and Samuel shall each of them pay the sum of five pounds to any of my Daughters as their part I leave them of the Land that is to say in the last of their part for I would not allow to let them have Land, also order constitute Vppoint my loving Wife Easter Coharan then John Coharan of Orange County Province of North Carolina and Parish of Saint Matthews

justly and severally to be the Executors and holden order of this my last Will & Testament. Revoking all other former Will Testaments or promises made by me and these and none else to be my last Will & Testament of all my Estate Real and Temporall given under my hand & Seale the day and year above written

I do Signed and Sealed
in presence of
Witness
James & Will
Mark
John Moore

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Alexander V. Coharan Seal
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known I have to my eldest daughter Mary Coharan now Wife of Richard Gyr from Shilling, starting out of my estate which full part.

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Test, J. Mark

In the name of God Amen, I the last Will and Testament of Arthur Stephens is as follows first I bequeath my Soul to God and my Body to the Ground from whence it came and my Land, Moveable Estate as follows, to my eldest daughter Sarah I bequeath one feather Bed and furniture on one side Saddle to my second Daughter Susan I bequeath one Feather Bed & Furniture with three pounds in Money to Elizabeth my third Child Daughter I bequeath one Feather Bed it is not my desire that my Land should be sold to the highest bidder giving one twelve Months Credit for one half and two years for the other, my Stock Horses Shup Cattle Hogs it is my desire they should be sold to the highest bidder giving one year Credit and my Household Goods to be sold at the same Credit, and it is my desire that all moneys arising from such Sales shall be equally divided amongst my five Children, that if the Land excepted which I desire should be equally divided between the three Boy Children it is not my desire that Joshua Johnston and Jonathan John McCone and Abraham Stephens my Executors of the my Will made on the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred & twenty six, March 2^d.
Signed in presence of
James Lambeth, Esq. Harington
John & Bridget
mark

Arthur Stephens
mark

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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 Funerall 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
whereof I have set my hand & Seal
James Vanhook William Harrington
James Davis

William Bumpas
make

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Vanhook one of the subscribing Witnesses and
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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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