

In the name of god Amen the Nineteenth
 Day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand
 seven hundred and Eighty Nine I Thomas Asper of the
 County of Orange and State of North Carolina being
 weak in body but of perfect mind and memory have
 given unto God therefore calling to mind the
 mortality of my body and knowing that it is
 appointed for all men once to die. All which and
 Judson this my last Will and Testament and
 for my soul I give unto the hand of God that
 gave it, and my body I recommend to the Earth to be buried
 in Christian and Decent like manner at the discretion
 of my Executors nothing doubting but at the general
 resurrection I shall receive the same again by
 the mighty power of god and as Touching such
 worldly estate wherewith it hath pleased God
 to bless me with in this life I give devise and
 dispose of the same in the following manner
 and form. Imprimis it is my last will and
 desire in the first place that all my Last debts
 and funeral charges be paid & satisfied. Item I
 will to my Beloved wife Sarah one bed and
 furniture and one milke Cow & hogs and household
 furniture and five pounds a year in money
 or money worth during her life Benjamin
 South is to pay her three pounds a year
 and William Puskal two pounds a year
 then I will my plantation to William
 Puskal and also two negro children
 to wit David & Edie during his life
 and his wives life

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 and at their Death to William Puskal and
 Thomas also when Thomas Puskal receives
 the two negroes he is to pay Jephthah
 their bonds also one negro named Hannah
 and one child named Solomon. I leave
 to Benjamin South as long as him and
 his wife lives and at their Deaths to be
 Equally Divided between Dilly South
 Gimmie South and if Hannah should have
 any more children to be Equally
 Divided between Dilly South and
 Gimmie South also I allow what shall
 then is to be paid out of the Mortuaries
 and what is over to be Equally divided
 between Benjamin South & William
 Puskal.

And I appoint my trusty
 Friends John Armstrong and John
 Woods to be my Executors of this my last
 will and testament given under
 my hand and seal this day and
 year above written

Sign'd seal
 In the presence of
 In Armstrong Execut
 Armstrong
 Allison Execut
 his
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