

February Term 1808.
The fifth day of February one thousand eight hundred
and eight, signed sealed and ~~authenticated~~ pronounced by the
said David Gibson to be his last will and Testament
in presence:

By John Burres, Notary
Commissioner of Deeds

David Gibson
mark

State of North Carolina County of Randolph Date the foregoing last will & Testament
of David Gibson was duly proven in open Court on the 1st day of March A
D. Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eight
and signed to the same date
Signed before me this day of March A.D. 1808
John Burres Notary Public

In the name of God Almighty I David Gibson of the County of Randolph and state
of North Carolina being of sound & perfect Mind and Memory (Helped by
God) but knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do this
Sixteenth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand eight
hundred and eight make and publish this my last will and Testament
in manner following that is to say principally and first of all I give
and command my soul into the hands of Almighty God that gave
it and my Body to the Earth to be buried in a decent and
Christian manner at the direction of my Executors and as touching
such worldly estate wherewithal it has pleased God to bless me with in
this life I give away and dispose of in the following manner and form viz
First it is my will and Testament that at my Death there be made out and
Inventory of all my personal Estate and I leave for the use of my
Beloved wife Rebekah Bap and also for those of my Children for and
During her the said Rebekah natural life or widowhood or until
my Youngest sons arrival to full age agreeable to law provided
that the said my Beloved wife Rebekah Bap keep the children
with her on the premises allotted and Encouraging to keep raise and
maintain them until their arrival to years of Maturity I say I
leave for them my two tracts of land namely the tract whereon
I now live containing two hundred and forty acres and the other tract
immediately against which I bought of David Gibson containing
two hundred and eight acres together with so much of my personal
Estate consisting of Horses cattle Hogs plantation tools household
furniture &c and my Beloved wife shall agreeable to be necessary
for the support for and During the above mentioned time.

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And further it is my will and desire that if my Beloved wife should
die and should not marry ^{again} after my Youngest sons arrival to full
age agreeable to law I leave her her sole use and benefit for and
During her Natural life or widowhood one negro woman named
Nan on horse saddle and bridle one feather bed and furniture
one pine chest one iron pot on stand one spittoon ^{one} pitcher dish one pottle
Barrel one boar and half one sack and peige on half Dozen of
earthen plates and one half Dozen of Spoons all the aforesaid
Chattels I leave to my Beloved wife only for and During her
Natural life or widowhood and after that to Davolow and become
the property of others and now others I think I give and bequeath
all to my beloved son Esther on his arrival to full age the
part of land above mentioned wherein is an Inheritance Item
I give to Son Henry the other tract of land which I bought
from Gibson also above mentioned on his arrival to full age
but still remaining to his Brother brother the right of getting from
or upon the sd Henrys tract timber for repairing the plantation or
Building on his the said Brothers tract Item I give and bequeath to my
son Benjamin one tract of land which I bought from Allen Marshall
containing three hundred and twenty acres also it is my will and
desire that my son in tract of land containing two hundred acres
be sold at publick sale to the highest bidder and the money arising
from the sale of the same to be divided equally between my two sons
Esther and Henry Item It is my will and Testament that such of chattel
on hand consisting of Goods and Chattels or ~~as much~~ thereof as my
Beloved wife shall not have particular need of or for for the support
or maintenance of my Children to be sold except as herein after provided
and some of the same applied to the payment of my Just debts and
the residue to be divided by my Executors or distributed by them
in the following manner when collected (viz) one hundred Dollars
to be paid to my Beloved Daughter Esther and one hundred Dollars
to my Beloved Daughter Henry and twenty Dollars to be applied to
finishing the house which is now building on the tract of Land
I purchased from Gibson provided it is not completed before my
Decease also I give and bequeath to my daughter Valentine