

arising therefrom shall by his guardian be applied
to the schooling of him and clothing to the age sixteen
and to be bound to a Trade and to have the of choosing
Master and Trade with the consent of his guardian
fifthly I give will and bequeath to my Daughter Elizabeth
Tabitha McCarty one Bay Horse saddle and Bridle
one Loom and all the Blackling Trunks belonging
One feather Bed and furniture, and one half of my
reasonable Estate except such Articles as my Wife
may chuse to keep herself for her own use, during
her life then to go to my Daughter Elizabeth and
fifteen pounds hard money to be paid her by my
Executors immediately after my Decease, sixthly
I give will and bequeath to my Daughter Sarah
McCarty one Bay mare saddle and Bridle and
the feather Bed and furniture and half of my reason-
able Estate and Ten pounds hard money to be paid
her by my Executors immediately after my Decease
and my two Daughters shall take their choice of each
article and where they cannot agree then the Execu-
tors shall judge between them and they shall take
it at their judgement, and for the more effectual
Carrying this my last Will and Testament into

Execution I do hereby ordain constitute and 89
appoint my two sons Lewis and Thomas Executors
of this my last Will and Testament, and I do
order them to find provision sufficient to keep their
Cows and Calves out of my home plantation that
I live on now for the better maintaining my Wife
Yearly and every year during her natural life signed
sealed pronounced declared and delivered by the
said Thomas McCarty as his last Will and
Testament of him the said Thomas McCarty
in the presence of us who were present at the signing
and sealing thereof

his
Benjamin Todd
mark
Peter his Todd
mark
James Blair
his
Jas McCarty

Thomas McCarty Exec^{or}

In the name of God Amen This Twentieth day
of September in the year of our Lord One thousand one
hundred Eighty and five, that Abraham J. Stone
of the State of North Carolina and County of Rowan
being sick and weak in body but of perfect
mind and memory thanks be to God for his

for his mercies, calling to mind the mortality of my
Body knowing it is appointed all men once to die
I recommend my soul into the Hands of God who
gave it and my body to be buried in a Christian
like and decent manner at the Discretion of my
Executors and as touching such Worldly Estate as
it hath pleased God to bless me with in this life
I give devise and dispose of in the following manner
and first of all it is my will & I do order all
my just debts and funeral charges to be paid
Inprimis it is my will and I do order my beloved
Wife Nancy to live on my plantation with all the
Privilege of all my Stock and all other parts of my
Estate both Real and personal while she Remains
my widow and to keep my family together untill
my son Benedict ~~comes~~ comes to the age of
25 Years and to school my two sons Benedict &
John, and when Benedict comes ~~from~~ to the age
aforesaid I do allow him all my lands that shall
not be hereafter willed and the one third of all my
personal Estate that shall not be hereafter willed
and one Negro Boy named Cranston over
and above - Then it is my will and

I do order my ~~beloved wife~~ step son John
Brown one third of my personal Estate not before
willed to be his property when he comes to the age
of 25 Years if any one of the legacies dies under age
the living one is to have his part. Item, it is my
Will and I do order my beloved wife the other third
part of my moveable Estate during her Widow-
hood, if she Marries her house Saddle Bed and
furniture & the wench Sue and no more -
Item it is my will and I do order my son ~~the~~
the Eastern side of my plantation divided by
North and South line as as not to touch any
of my Improvements at the Barn, Item it
is my will & as to be ordered at my Widows death
all her part or portion of my Estate to be equally divi-
ded among or between My boys Benedict & John
Disavowing all other former wills Legacies or
Executors, ordaining and allowing by the shewings
my beloved friend Lewis Jettow & ~~John~~ Brown
Junior to be my joint Executors of this my
last Will and Testament, And I further do
order if my Negroes above willed do not
behave themselves in obedience to their Masters

Order, they shall be sold if my Executor thinks proper
and the money put to Interest for the each of the two boys
to assist in schooling of them and the Principal to be kept
till they come of age or the death of their mother accor-
ding to the above said. And my son Benedict
to be Bound to a Trade such as he chooses if he ever
choose to leave his Mother. In witness whereof we have
hereunto set our hands and seals the day above written
Signed sealed published Declared pronounced in presence

J^r Robert Brown

Arthur Fawcett

Abram Jellon

Nancy Jellon
mark

In the name of God Amen, I Christopher Brown
of Salisbury in the State of North Carolina do make this
my last Will and Testament, first of all I recom-
mend my soul to my God from whom I received it
as to the disposal of a being infinitely good and
merciful Body to the Earth from whence it came
to be buried in a decent and Christian like man-
ner and as to my worldly concerns, my will
is that as soon as convenient after my decease

my Executors will dispose of all my ⁹³prop-
erty both real and personal, out of which they are
to pay my funeral expences and all just de-
mands against me, whatsoever may remain
after discharging my debts I bequeath to my
Executors to be by them disposed of as they think
proper, I do constitute my friends Matthew
Troy, Michael Troy & Peter Surin to be my
Executors to execute this my last Will & Testa-
ment sealed with my seal and dated at Sa-
lisbury this 8th day of August 1785. sealed sig-
ned and Declared as his last Will and
Testament in presence of

James Kerr

Henry Gibbs

Sally Brown

Christ. Jybery Esq^r

In the name of God Amen, I Mathan Robey of
Rowan County in the State of North Carolina being
weak in Body but of sound mind and memory
blessed be (God for it) do this Twenty fifth day of
October in the year of our Lord One thousand and