

1788 One third part of the Amount and the Remainder
to be divided amongst my Children share and
Share alike and the Negro Brink above said, I give
and bequeath to my Daughter Elizabeth and to
her and her Heirs and Assigns for ever, but if
said Negro Brink have any baird before my said
Wifes death or Marriage, I will one of them to my
Daughter Mary and to her Heirs and Assigns
and the Remainder of said baird if any to be divided
among all my Children equally

The above is the true and genuine Will and
Testament of Capt^m William Armstrong as far as
extends but death put a stop to proceeding further
therein is certified by me

Samuel Young

In the Name of God Amen this 20th day of May
in the Year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and
eighty, Andrew Allison of the County of Rowan and State
of North Carolina being very sick and weak in body
but of perfect mind and memory, thanks be unto
God for the same, calling to mind the Mortality

of my body, and knowing that it is appointed for
all men once to die, do make and ordain this my
last Will and Testament, that is to say principally
& first of all, I give and commend my soul into
the hands of Almighty God, it and for my body I
commend it to the Earth to be buried in a christian
like and decent manner, 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 dis-
pose of the same in manner and form following
that is to say, for the first place, I give and bequeath
to my loving Son Adam my large Bible and my
best suit of wearing apparel to him and his heirs
for ever. Likewise give and bequeath to my loving
Daughter Elizabeth five shillings sterling money
to her and her heirs for ever. Likewise give and
bequeath to my loving Daughter Sarah, One slave
named Gilbert, and one Negro girl named Sarah
to her and her heirs for ever, Likewise give and be-
queath to my loving son, Chesphelus, five Negroes
(W^g) Sambo Jude, Ben Hannah, George, to him
and his heirs forever

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Likewise give and bequeath to my son Adams daughter Ann my bed and furniture, Likewise give and bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth the son Andrew Shipboard One two year old Horse col of a dark bay colour - Likewise give and bequeath to my daughter Sarah son John one young Mare named silver heels and one grown Cow, I further give and bequeath to my son Theophilus one half of the remainder of all my Estate to him and his heirs forever, I further give and bequeath to my daughter Sarah the other half of my Estate which remains to be equally divided between her and her son John to them and their heirs for ever, And I do revive that, that part of my Estate which is to be divided be not exposed to sale but be divided by the parties themselves or by indifferent persons chosen by them for that purpose. Lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my son Theophilus Allison Executor of this my last Will and Testament, and I do hereby dis-annull and revoke all and every other former Wills and Testaments by me made and do publish pronounce and declare this to be my last Will and Testament, In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and Year first above written, signed and sealed in presence of the subscribers

John Martin
Andrew Franklin
William Ward

Andrew Allison Esq



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In the name of God amen I John Van Etten of Rowan County in the State of North Carolina being very sick and weak in body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be to God, therefore calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, I do constitute and appoint this my last Will and Testament, first of all I commend my soul into the hands of God who gave it and my body to be Buried in a Christian like manner, at the discretion of my Executors, and as touching such worldly estate, wherewith it has pleased God to bless me with in this life, I give and bequeath in the following manner (And to prevent all future debts and disputes between my six Children by my first Wife, and my present Wife and her Children, and as touching my North Carolina Rights, I have left to my six Children by my first Wife five shillings a piece and no more, I do hereby debar my Executors of paying them any more of my present Estate either value personal of any name or kind whatsoever, likewise I give and bequeath to my beloved Wife her bed and furniture and to hold for and an-included possession of the House and premises during her life, likewise I give and bequeath to my four Sons, Samuel, John, Abraham, & Isaac