

(82) In the Name of God Amen I Christopher Eldred do
of Rowan County in North Carolina being in perfect
mind and memory thanks be given to God for it and
calling to mind the mortality of my Body, and that
it is appointed for all men once to die do make &
ordain this to be my last Will and Testament and
as touching such world by Goods as it hath pleased
God to bless me with, I give, devise and dispose of
in manner and form as followeth. Item I will &
bequeath unto my beloved son Adam Eldred five Shilling
to be paid to him out of my Estate. Item I will and
bequeath unto my beloved Daughter Sarah the sum
of five shillings to be paid to her by my Executors out
of my Estate. Item I give and bequeath unto my
beloved Daughter Catharine the sum of five shillings
to be paid as aforesaid. Item I will and bequeath unto
my beloved Daughter Margaret One Cuckoo to be
valued to five pounds in Gold or Silver money. Item
I give and bequeath unto my beloved Daughter Mary
one horse Cuckoo to be valued at five pounds in
Gold or Silver and also two Cows and one feather
Bed and Bedding belonging to it which she
has in her Custody and also one cow and one
grown

(83) Item with all the above willed Articles and money to
each of the above Persons to be paid their Legacies are
their Twelve Months after my Disease. Item I will
and bequeath unto my beloved Son Christopher fifty
Acres of Land as it is measured off to him in the up-
per end of my Tract which is to be in his possession
at my disease. Item will and bequeath unto my be-
loved Sons Robert and John Eldred the whole of what
is left my tract of Land wheron I now live with
all the improvements and buildings to be in their
possession after my disease and my Wifes. Item I will
and bequeath unto my beloved Daughter Elsy and
Lydia two Cows to each of them and one cow and one
cow with all the above five pounds in Gold
or Silver, or the value thereof in other money that shall be
lawfull at the time of payment and each of them ones
good Bed and furniture which is to be paid
to them when they come to the age of eighteen years
which is to be paid to them by my Executors out of my
Estate if there is as much left at that time and if not
to be paid out of the land willed to my three youngest
Sons. Item I will and bequeath unto my wife beloved
Wife Elsy one third part of my land during her
lives and also all my Stock and all rents and

and all my household Goods and plantation Tools
and money during her her life and at her decease
to be at her own Disposal except the land which is to
be as before mentioned. I constitute and appoint my
Beloved Wife and my Son Adam hole and Able Exe-
cutors and Executrix of this my last Will and
Testament, and do hereby disannul and make
void all other wills and Requests made or done
by me heretofore. At Winterville wherof I have set my
hand and seal this seventeenth day of March 1779
Signed sealed published & pronounced in the presence

Adam Spence
Mark
Fader.
Evan Ellis

Christopher ^{mark}
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In the name of God Alme. I Machibald Mason
of the County of Rowan and State of North Carolina
being of sound and perfect mind and memory
blessed be God. On this fifth day of February in the
Year of our Lord, One thousand seven hundred and
eighty five, make ordain and publish this my
last Will and Testament in the manner following
That is to say first I give and bequeath

unto To Ann my beloved Wife I give and bequeath
unto her the land I live upon with the Crops in the ground
also her choice of the House Creatures, likewise hercho-
ice of two Cows and two Sheep, all the household furni-
ture (the Pewter I had before our Marriage excepted)
and a subsistence on the Land during Widewidowhood
the residue of my Estate I give and bequeath to be sold
and one third of the money arising from the sale I give
and bequeath to my Wife, the rest I give and bequeath
to be equally divided among all my Children. I do like-
wise appoint my son Joseph Mason and Robert
King to be my executors of this my last Will and
Testament in Winterville wherof I have hereunto set my
hand and seal the day and year above written, signed
sealed published and declared to be my last Will and
Testament in the presence of us who were present at
the time of signing and sealing thereof

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