

That tract of land containing one hundred & eighty
two acres, which I bought of Richard Harrison of
the State of N. Carolina & County Lincoln and hereby
give to the said Williams all my worldly estate except
five pounds which I leave to George Odom and
the said William after he sees the land is to pay these
five pounds to the said Odom In Testam. Sheweth
I have hereunto set my hand and fixed my seal this
16th of July 1796.

Signed, sealed & delivered

In the presence of us.

John & Simons

Seal

Theophilus Williams

Jacob Wine jun

In the name of God Amen.

Deponent of that filed
in Court B p 59

I Cooper Smith of the County Rowan &
State of N. Carolina being mindful of the frailty
& mortality of human nature, & that it is appointed
for all men once to die but considering the uncertainty
of life, And my now being in perfect mind and memory
& understanding I do make this my last will & testament
in manner & form following First & principally I
recommend my soul into the hand of God that gave it &
I recommend my body to the earth to be buried decently
at the discretion of my executors thrust by my name
in sure & certain hope that it will rise again through
the almighty power of our saviour Jesus Christ
And as for such worldly estate as I have possessed and do possess
me with.

I do give & bequeath & dispose of in the following manner & form
First I give with & bequeath to my beloved wife Margaret
Smith power to use, occupy & enjoy the manner plantation &
mills both grist mill & saw mill together with all my horses
cattle, waggons & traps and all my household, furniture &
plantation tools, which plantation contains two hundred
& twelve acres, and the two negro men slaves, named Joe and
Friday & one negro wench named Hager and an equal part
of all the ready money, now in my possession during her
widowhood for to help her to raise the younger children &
to school them, and when my youngest son Philip Smith is
of the age of twenty one year then the Negro's men slaves shall
be valued and my children shall all an equal share but the
wench is to remain to my wife during her life and then to be
valued both her & her increase and to be equally divided among
all my children And shall my wife have a third part of
all my moveable estate & to be paid twelve pounds current
money of this state yearly out of my estate, and to find her
food for one cow & horse during her life. And Secondly when
my son Philip is of age this plantation & mills is to go
to my sons Gasper & Philip and to be valued and all my
children is to have an equally share, with which several
sums the shall pay to the rest of my heirs.

Thirdly I give with & bequeath to my eldest son George
Smith the plantation or tract of land lying on White creek
and joining the mill, tract containing two hundred & twenty
five acres for ever, and a sound most english blooded and the

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mare & plantation are to be valued and he shall give to the
rest of his brothers & sisters & equal share with himself
Fourthly I give with & bequeath my four Daughters -
Margaret, Barbara, Christin, & Mary a equal share of
my moveable estate with their brothers as also an equal
out of the value of my real estate Barbara to have one
blooded sorrel Mare known by the name of Barbara Mare
and Margaret is to have one yellow mare, english blooded
which Mares are to be valued and to be apard of their
shares, and my son George is to have the rattle which is
not to be valued.

And so this my last will & testament I constitute, make
ordain & appoint my sole executors my beloved wife
Margaret Smith & my brother in law David Smith
but if my wife Maria then her right of executor
shall cease.

Signed, sealed, published
pronounced & delivered by the
said Garpers Smith as his last
will & test: this 14 Day of January 1784.
in the presence of.

John Belling
Charles Schmitter
Geo. Maray.



his
Garpers C. Smith
mark.

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In the name of God Amen I John Smith of the County
of Sumner & State of N Carolina being weak in body but
of perfect mind & memory thanks be to 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 & ordain
this my last will & test: that is principally & first of all
I give & recommend my soul into the hands of almighty God
that gave it & my body I recommend to the earth to be buried in a
decent manner at the discretion of my executors nothing doubting
but at the general resurrection I shall receive the same again
not mortal but immortal by the mighty power of God. And as
touching such worldly estate where with it has pleased God
to bless me in this life I give, demise & dispose of the same
in the following manner and form. First I lend to my beloved
wife Elizabeth Smith one Negro boy named Janus & two hundred
pounds hard money my young bay mare, saddle & bridle, two
feather beds & furniture, two rows her choice one chest, two parts
of the printer press & the other kitchen necessaries, one glass wheel
one looking glass & two parts of the wood glass & cotton machine
mentioned articles I desire should be for the support of my be-
loved wife while she lives & at her death I desire the remainder
should be equally divided amongst all my children only the
two beds & furniture, one bed & furniture to Rachel Minick &
the other to Jane Smith & the printer to be equally divided a-
mongst my four daughters. Also I give to my beloved son
Robert Smith Fifty pounds hard money more than his propor-
tionable part with the rest of my children, I give him one Negro
boy by the name of Charles, to be raised by two honest men