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In the Name of God Amen this twenty ninth day of May one thou-
sand seven hundred & fifty eight I George Davison of the Province
of North Carolina and County of Rowan Planter, being sick
and weak in Body but of perfect Mind and Memory blessed be God
Therefore calling to mind the Mortality of my Body knowing that it
is appointed for all men once to Die and after Death the Judgment
Do make & Ordain this my last Will & Testament That is to say prin-
cipally and first of all I give and recommend my Soul unto the Hands
of Almighty God that gave it and my Body I recommend to the Earth
to be buried in christian like and decent Manner at the discretion of
my Executor. And as touching such worldly Estate wherewith it
hath pleased God to bless me in this Life I give devise & dispose of
in the following manner & Form viz: First I Appoint & allow all my
legal Debts and funeral Charges to be punctually paid out of this
whole of my Estate. Secondly I bequeath unto Margaret my well
beloved Wife one Tract of Land at Broad-River on the Beaver Dams
and one Tract at Fishing Creek to her own proper use and behoof
with the use of the plantation I now live on during her natural Life
and all the ready Cash now in my possession or at my Death and all the
Debts then due beside her Kind. Item I give & bequeath unto my beloved
son George the Plantation & Tract of Land on which I now live to be en-
joyed by him as his own lawful Inheritance after his aforesaid Mother
shall die. Item I bequeath unto my other Son William Davison all that tract
on the North side of fourth Creek adjoining William Ricks Land
containing three hundred Acres. Item I give & bequeath unto my
Wife James Simmond a Tract of Land adjoining the Land of
W. Conner. Whose Debt Debts now stands. Item to my son James
son in law Robert Gibson and Grandson George Davison I give a
shilling Sterling each. The remaining part of my personal Estate
I bequeath equally divided between my Sons George and William
Davison & my stepson James Simmond. Last, I hereby constitute
and appoint my well beloved wife Margaret Davison sole Executrix
of my last Will & Testament, and also remaining and appointing

my trusty & well beloved Friends Alexander Astum and John
 Breward Esqrs Guardians to late Tution & Guardianship of my
 Children and to assist my Wife in the Management and Education
 hereof And I do hereby utterly disavow revoke and disanul all
 and every other Testament Will or Wills Legacies & Bequests and
 Etc by me in any wise before now made and bequeathed
 ratifying & confirming this and no other to be my last Will &
 Testament In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand &
 seal the Year above written.

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 George Davison

Signes sealed published pronounced
 and released by the said George
 Davison as his last Will & Tes-
 tament in presence of us.

John Neill
 James T. Tompkins
 George Davison

1705
 In the Name of God Amen I Michael Coon of the
 County of Rowan & Province of North Carolina Formerly being
 very sickly & in a poor State of Health but of perfect Mind & Memory
 Thanks Thanks be given unto God and knowing that it is ap-
 pointed for all Men once to die Do make & ordain this my last
 Will and Testament That is to say principally and
 I give and recommend my soul into the hand of God the
 giver of it and my Body I recommend to the Earth to be buried in a
 Christian Burial at the discretion of my Executors nothing doubting
 but at the general Resurrection I shall receive the same again
 by the mighty Power of God & as touching my worldly Estate
 wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this life I give
 and devise & dispose of the same in the following manner

First I will & bequeath unto my loving Daughter Margaret Davis the sum of
 proclamation money. I likewise give and bequeath unto my Daughter Cath-
 erine Anden the sum of three pounds proclamation money And give likewise unto my
 Daughter Christina the sum of three pounds proclamation money. I likewise
 give and bequeath unto my Daughter for the sum of three pounds & procla-
 mation money. I likewise give & bequeath unto my beloved Son Michael Coon
 the sum of three pounds proclamation money. I likewise give unto my son
 Anthony Coon the sum of three pounds proclamation money. I likewise give and
 bequeath unto my son Valentine Coon the sum of three pounds & money. I
 likewise give & bequeath unto my Daughter Annica for the sum of three pounds
 proclamation money. And it is my Will that my above mentioned
 seven shall not receive the above mentioned sums of money until the
 expiration of the Term of nine years from the date hereof. I likewise
 give and bequeath unto my loving Daughter Margaret which my Wife
 Catherine has been unto me & likewise my Daughter Mary & my Daughter
 Christina and my Daughter Catherine all my dwelling plantation together
 with all that tract of Land & tenants belonging that is to say the said
 plantation & Land to be equally divided between my last four mentioned
 Daughters. I give and bequeath unto my loving Wife Catherine Coon
 one son and one mare & likewise all my fixtures. And I give and bequeath
 all my personal Estate to be equally divided among my four last men-
 tioned Daughters. And I do make constitute & ordain my beloved Wife
 Catherine Coon and my beloved Friend William Roberts sole Executors
 of this my last Will and Testament and I do hereby utterly disavow
 and disanul all and every other former Testament and Will by me made
 and I ratify & confirm this and no other to be my last Will and Tes-
 tament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this
 tenth Day of May in the Year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred
 and seventy five. Signed sealed & delivered in the
 presence of William Shad
 John Howard & Mary Howard

Michael Coon