

80. in such case my executors do sell & dispose of the same by public
Sale or otherwise for the best Advantage of my said Wife & Children
and the Money arising from such Sale after deducting my debts.
My said Third part therefrom to be equally divided between the children
including my said son, provided nevertheless that in Case the said
son should happen into the Power of one or more of my said
children, my said Wife is to have the Use of such Part of the
Land as may be sufficient to support her during his Rides and
according to the Discretion of my Executors, if in Case of the Death
of my said Wife before her returning with another person
or in Case of Death of any of my said Children the whole of my
Estate both real & personal to be equally divided between the
children except such as is desired by their Wills. — Item I give
my son Joseph all my wearing Apparel the Purple Gown which
now hangs with one black Shawl with a Star in the Middle
Item I give to my Daughter Elizabeth a curtain red blanket
now in my possession & her increase. — Item I will that
my Wife keeps & holds the Remaining part of my said Estate or
such thereof as she shall think necessary to support
myself & Children during her widow hood in Case of her
returning or dying in such Case the said Private Estate
shall be sold by my Executors at publick Auction & after such
Sale make the money arising from such Sale to be equally
divided between my said Children first my said
Wifes third part therefrom & paying the same to her
and I will hereby constitute nominate & appoint my
son wife Catherine & my wife before Friday
January first a Lawyer to
execute my Will.

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Will & Testament ratifying & confirming this & no other to be
my last Will and Testament revoking all other Wills here-
tofore made by me In witness whereof I do hereby set my Hand
and Seal the Day & year above written
Signed, Sealed & dated & pronounced
in the presence of us the Subscribers George Simly
who in the presence of the said George
Simly & at his Request has set our
Names as Witnesses.

George Simly

John Bolton

Geo. Dunn

John Dunn

1619 In the Name of God Amen the seventh Day of February
A.D. 1708 I Henry Lamb of the Parish of Saint Luk
in the County of Roman & Province of North Carolina being very
sick & weak in Body but of perfect Mind and Memory Testable
given to God therefore calling to mind the Mortality of my Body and
knowing that it is expedient for all men to die to make good
this my last Will & Testament, that is to say principally & first of
all I give and recommend my soul into the hands of God that gave
it & for my Body I recommend it to the Earth to be buried in a
resting like manner at the Discretion of my Executors and as
touching such worldly Estate wherewith ill hath pleased
to bless me in this Life I give & devise & dispose of the same
in the following Manner & Form. In premises it is my Will
st. in my Teste & I do order that in the first place all my just
Dobts & funerall charges be paid & satisfied. Item I give and
bequeath Elizabeth my dearly beloved Wife & singler
fule power of attorney Rite & Title to all that is mine or belonging
to me during her life if she continuall a widow and
at her death or Marry to be equally divided between

82 I am Jacob & Joseph Elizabath & Bathia my Son
by reason of the weakness of my body I do give & bequeath
to my three Sons Sam Jacob & Joseph if they live together, and
if my Son Sam & will not come up here to live on the Land, I
leave the hole Land to my Son Jacob & Joseph whome I likewise
constitute make & ordain my only & sole Executors of this my
last Will & Testament. Item I give & bequeath unto my Son Thomas
Lamb peace & every aningless Striving apes to be paid by my
executors after my death utterly disallowing such of disannulling all
and every other former Testimonee Wills & Testos by me in many
Ways before this Time named will & bequeathed ratifying &
confirming this & no other to be my last Will & Testament. In
Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand & seal the
Day & Year first above writing.

Testifying & sealing the tow Negroes which is desy'd of
the one named was to Joseph Lamb & the other named
Samet heasy to Isaac & Jacob

I sign'd Sealed pronounced & declared
by the said Henry Lamb as his ^{his} Henry Lamb
last Will & Testament in the presc^e mark
John & Jacob the Subscribers -

Liss. Nation

Benjamin Bixby

Will. Proctor

1783
July 1st In the Name of God Amen the first Day of January in the
Year of our Lord 1783 I Peter Lawrence of North Carolina
and Rowan County formerly being very sick & weak in Body
but of perfect Mind & Memory Thanks be given unto God
for the same & coming 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 & Testament the 1st day of the

83 principally of first of all I give and recommend my Soul into the hands
of God that gives it and for my Body I commend it to the Earth to be
buried in a Christian like & decent Manner at the Discretion of my Execu-
tors nothing troubling but at the general Resumption I shall receive the
same again by the mighty power of God and as touching such earthly
Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this Life I give devise &
Dispose of the same in Manner & Form following the is to say in the first
place I give & bequeath to Mrs my dearly beloved Wife above mentioned
only a Milie and Land & Rents & Chattels worth there fourteen &
quarterly Rent to be paied to her my Son & She shall kee the same
in good repair for my son Peter my wife beloved son Peter Lawrence
former the one halfe of a Plantation in Drakes County North Carolina
Also I give to my wife beloved son William Lawrence the other halfe of
the Plantation with my son Peter only my son Peter is to have the first
Champ of the Land only to be equally divided by the two chosen by
the Executors and Plantation is to be rated to pay the Quinquages-
ta and the Remainder of the Rent is to be for the Benefit of the said son
the Children induring her life hood and she is to have the Plantation
I now live on induring her life hood & for years after and if the same
break out from the Settlement and she cannot live then she is to have
other Plantation else of Rent for the Remainder of her life and if any
of my Children die before they com to the year that the Law requires to
be of age that their part of my Estate shall be equally divided among
the remainder of my Children and she scoll the Children out of her
part of the Estate & leaving the denuation to make the Rents & Payment
& the Boys shall be turned to make the Rents and Payment and
make & let her as far as the Rule of Three and shall pay all Taxes Due &
Demesne against the Estate of Peter Lawrence out of his parte and
pay for the Plantation which I now live on side Mary Lawrence as is
to doe all out of his own part of the Estate & the Plantation I now live
on shall be left to the holt advantage after the said Time is
over & to have the use of the Land
and my two sons deutes