

1763. In the Name of God Amen. I Walter Carruth of Rowan County  
in the Province of North Carolina being sick & weak of body,  
but of sound mind & memory. Thanks be given to God therefore. Coming  
to mind the Mortality of the Body and that it is appointed for all  
men once to die. Do make & ordain this my last Will & Testament.  
That is to say, principally & first of all I give & bequeath my per-  
cious Soul unto God who gave it. & my mortal body I command  
to the Earth to be buried in a decent Christian manner, at the  
Discretion of my Executors, nothing doubting but at the general  
Resurrection I shall receive the same还原 to my soul by the  
mighty power of God. And as touching such worldly Goods  
as God hath been pleased to bless me with in this life, I give, demise  
and bequeath the same in the following manner & form.

First. I allow all my lawful Debts & funeral Charges to be duly  
paid, for which purpose, let so much of my Corpse & Stock be  
sold as may suffice to pay the same, & the Remainder to be dis-  
posed of as herein after mentioned. Secondly. I give & bequeath unto  
my wife beloved James Carruth, all that Part of my Lands  
lying on the East side of Coddle Creek, together with Negro  
Smart, now in his possession, & one half of the Waggon. & paying  
one half of the Charges of replacing her, and also paying to  
Robert Brown or his Order the sum of five pounds currency  
when demanded. Thirdly. I give & bequeath unto my wife be-  
loved Son John Carruth the other Part of my Lands and  
Furniture lying on the West side of said Creek together with  
one Negro viz. Mill and the other half of the Waggon, also one  
Black Horse called Punch & one Bay Mare called Nelly, two cows  
one half of all my Household Furniture, and my share in the  
Treasury, & paying to Robert Brown five pounds currency  
when demanded. Fourthly. I give & bequeath to my wife beloved  
Daughter Agnes Carruth the other half of all my Household  
Goods & Furniture together with one large grey Horse and  
two Cows & all the Pounds out of Negroes & Horses power

(whom I intend to be sold) And fifthly I give & bequeath unto my wife  
beloved Daughters Anna Cupples & Sarah & to her the Remainder of my  
moveable Estate together with the Remainder of the Negroe & Cattle to be  
equally divided between them. And lastly I do hereby nominate Con-  
stitute & appoint my wife beloved Son James Carruth to be my Executor,  
Executor of this my last Will & Testament, under the Inspection of my  
trusty friends James Huggins & my beloved Son John Gray, rat-  
ifying & confirming this as other to be my last Will & Testament.  
In witness whereof I have caused set my hand & seal this eighth  
day of February in the Year of our Lord Christ one thousand seven  
hundred & forty nine.

Signed, sealed published pronounced &  
and declared by the above named Walter  
Carruth as his last Will & Testament & his  
Mark  
in the presence of us  
David Kerr  
Robert Carruth  
John Gray

1772 August 1st In the Name of God Amen. I Isaac Brion being weak in  
body & sound judgement & memory blessed be God for it and coming to  
mind that it is appointed for all men once to die I first commit my  
soul to God who gave it and my body to the dust to be decently buried  
at the charges of my estate Estate in general, and disposing of my Estate  
as hereinafter follows & also that all just & lawfull debts to paid  
of my whole Estate in general and next I bequeath unto my living  
Sister Margaret Brion five shillings, and to each one of her daugh-  
ters now living twenty shillings, one pair of her Kneches unto her  
Son David, & one pair of her Kneches to her Daughter Barbara. To  
my wife beloved James Brion I bequeath and also five Shillings  
to be paid out of my last years Schotring which I left in his hands  
to collect the Remainder to his David. In the most plain I bequeath

48 And attorney unto my well beloved Brother David Crysowld all my  
Body clothes such as Coats jackets & Rainches shirts & stockings, &c.  
and likewise with my Art, also my Hatchetts fine & coarse my man  
Paddles & Horseshoe. In the next place I bequeath & allow my well beloved  
Sister Mary Carson the sum of five Shillings. In the next place I  
bequeath & allow unto my well beloved brother Robert Crysowld to  
keep all that is in his hands of my Estate, the one third I allow unto  
himself & the other two thirds to be equally divided between him &  
my loving Brother David Crysowld. Also I allow my well beloved  
Brother David Crysowld my Saddle bags. Likewise I bequeath  
my Hatch unto my loving Brother Robert Crysowld. Also I allow  
my loving Brother David Crysowld to keep ten Pounds which  
I have in Cash with my Schoolmoney which I have gain'd upon  
the River allowing him lawfully for collecting & settling unto  
him & loving Brother Robert Crysowld Motts and the remain-  
der to be equally divided between them both. I bequeath and  
allow unto my Brother David Crysowld my pocket book, also  
my Father's Mathematical Work. Last of all I constitute and  
ordain my loving Brother David Crysowld my Whole Work  
executer of this my last Will & Testament renouncing all other  
Wills & Testaments whatsoever, In witness whereof I the said Isaac  
Crysowld have to this last Will & Testament set my hand & seal  
this twenty fourth Day of March and in the year of our Lord God  
one thousand seven hundred & forty nine.

Isaac Crysowld  
Signed sealed & witnessed by the  
same Crysowld was & for his last  
Will & Testament in the presence  
of us,  
Hugh Lawson jun  
Andrew Simcock

1759 Oct 10  
In the Name of God Amen the tenth Day of October 1759 I William  
Carson of North Carolina County of Roan being very sick and weak  
of Body but in perfect mind & memory Thanks be to God calling to mind  
the Mortality of my Body knowing that it is appropriate for all mankind  
to make & ordain their last Will & Testament. That is to say  
principally & first of all I give & recommend my Soul to God that gave  
it me and my Body to the Devil to be buried in decent Christian manner  
at the Direction of my Executors nothing troubling but at the general  
Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of  
God and as touching such worldly Estate & Wealth as it has pleased God  
to bless me with in this life I give & dispose of in the following manner  
the first I give to Maria my nearly beloved wife poor Concreator  
and her Choice of my Goods with the Blue & White Quarts of Linen  
her Bed & Chas. Next to my beloved Daughter Susana bearing  
all that remains of my Goods both movables & unmovables to a  
dispossession to the best advantage and keep for her till she comes of age  
of Discretion & to be sealed at her own pleasure as my Executors  
in & to my brother Peter Carson I do leave all my Latass and  
revert both running & falling with my Gun & a pot and to William  
Carson my Lugon I do leave my Saddle & this I dealents to my last Son  
and heir at & I do hereby disallow & rescind and disannul all former  
and Testaments and Executors given by me in any time before and  
confirm this to be my last Will & Testament by writing to my hand  
the tenth Day of October 1759 signed sealed & witnessed  
and attested by the said William Carson as his last Will & Testament  
forwards to God As for my Executors I do constitute that  
William Carson Jacob Thomas — — — — —  
and the subscribers David Pack — — — — —  
Samuel Cowan X — — — — —

If God should suffer to call my Dear Child Susana Carson  
it is fit to dispose of this her legacy So therefore may  
he cause me to be my Executors & to be buried in  
the same place as my dear son David Pack