

84 and the Remander of the Money shall be equally divided among  
my five Daughters Elizabeth Lawrence Mary Lawrence Ruth Lawrence  
Eve Lawrence Christian Lawrence And I further constitute  
make & Ordaine my Wife & Andrew Kidder Executors of this  
my last Will & Testament & do hereby entirely disallow most  
& all former & every other former Testaments Wills & Legacies  
Requests & Executors my in any ways before this time named with  
& bequeath'd ratifying & confirming this & no other to be my  
last Will & Testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set  
my Hand & seal the Day & year above written

Signed sealed published pro-  
nounced & declared me the  
said — as his last Will  
& Testament in the presence  
of the Subscribers that is  
to say Thomas Park

John F. New  
mark  
John Allen

Peter M. Lawrence  
mark

\* Via the Original

85 and Furniture. Item I leave & bequeath to my well beloved Son Thomas Little  
the two parts of this Land that his Mother has part of. Item I leave &  
bequeath to my Son George Little My master place & the Meadow Branch.  
Item I leave & bequeath to my eldest Daughter Martha Little fifty pounds  
proclamation money. Item I leave to my Daughter Mary Little fifty  
pounds proclamation money. Item I leave & bequeath to my Daughter  
Jane Little fifty pounds proclamation money. Item I leave & bequeath to my  
Daughter Elizabeth fifty pounds proclamation money. Item I leave and  
bequeath to my Cousin Sarah Lee the sum of thirty pounds proclamation  
money. And for three Tracts of Land lying on the Cat Rock Creek two  
of them & the other in the small River on a branch of Hallow Creek. Likewise  
to be sold at a proper time & be equally divided between my beloved wife  
Letitia Little & Thomas Little & George Little & Martha Little & Harry Little  
and Jane Little & Elizabeth Little equally. And Item I leave & bequeath  
Henry Barkley & John McPatrick my two & sole Executors of my Estate  
and this to be my last Will & Testament revoking all others.

PS If the monthly Effects amounts to more than is above mentioned  
that is Remained I allow to be equally divided amongst my Children  
Givin under my Hand & seal this Day & Year above written.

Signed & attested in presence of us

Before signed I leave to my Son Thomas, John S. Little  
Little his Father & his wife Francis Merckel, John S. Little  
mark

Francis Merckel,  
John Rice  
Isha Bratty

1772 In the Name of God Amen February 26 1772.  
May 26. I John Little am sick of Body, but in but in perfect Memory  
blifed be God for it Do make this my last Will & Testament. First  
I recommend my Soul to almighty God that give it & my Body  
to be burryt in the Dust in the Gravergard where my Father  
was burryt. Part of my Estate I allow my Ressaryall Expenses  
to be paid and my other Debts to be paid. Item I leave & bequeath  
to my well beloved wife Letitia Little the third part of this Land  
that I now lie on whilst she lives her Choice of one Half out of  
the other half to be sold & paid to her. I give & command

recommende to the Earth to be buried in decent Christian burial  
at the Discretion of my Executors nothing wanting but at the general  
Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the almighty power  
of God and as touching such worldly Estate wherewith it hath  
pleased God to bless me in this Life I give & devise & dispose of  
the same in the following manner & form. First I give & bequeath  
to my Daughter Rachel Licens one Shilling Sterling Also I give  
unto my Daughter Eliza Licens one Shilling Sterling Also  
I give unto my Daughter Rebekah Licens one Shilling Sterling Also  
I give to my Daughter Elizabeth Licens one Shilling Sterling Also  
and lastly after my just Debts is paid I give to my well beloved  
Wife Ann whom I likewise constitute make & ordain the sole  
Executor of this my last Will and Testament by her freely to be  
posse of all my Estate now I am posse of at this time and  
all singular my Lands, Housages & Tenement by her freely to be  
be possessed & enjoyed & I do hereby attell my selfe to make  
annual all Devise & the former Testament with Legacies  
Bequest & bequeath by me in any way before named valid and  
bequeath this ratifying & confirming this & no other to be my  
last Will and Testament In witness whereof I have hereunto  
set my Hand & seal this twenty third Day of February in the  
Year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred & forty seven.  
Signed sealed published pronounced  
in the presence of us that the said  
Jacob Licens declareth this to be his last  
Will & Testament I Jacob E Licens  
John Hunt Bratt  
Edward Turner

Jacob E Licens  
mark

(NATHANIEL LAIRD'S WILL) 87  
Part of this is to certify that on Sabbath Evening the second Day of July instant  
A.D. 1745 / Lundry & forty nine. That Nathaniel Laird about two Hours before his  
Departure from this Life, being in perfect mind & memory when examined  
his Estate in presence of us the Subscribers that he did desire that Sam  
Wilson, Francis Wilson & Daniel McPheters would see his Body buried  
in a decent Manner and that they should act the part of Trustees  
Excutors of his Estate to settle with his widow all his debts from all  
his Debtors and discharge all his lawfull Demands to his Creditors  
Then make sale of all his Effects (his Land excepted) the Valuation where  
of to be prepared for his Wife & Children now in Ireland, who is to be sent  
for by his said Trustees or Excutors & settled on his Land by inclosing  
County of Rowan in the Province of North Carolina in the S. East of  
Yadkin River & his Land together with the Valuation of his effects  
to be carefully delivered to his Wife & Children for them & their Heirs for  
ever. The Day & Year above written.

Joshua O Nichols  
North Carolina Notary Public  
Rowan County, State of North Carolina  
Certified by  
The Notary  
X

I certify that the above is the  
Substance of what the deceased  
said when he was in perfect  
Memory Given under my Hand  
this 22<sup>nd</sup> July 1745.

Walter Scadding.

1. The last Will & Testament of Nathaniel Laird,  
2. In the name of God, on the twenty Day of September in  
Year of our Lord God one Thousand seven hundred & forty seven  
Laird late in the County of Rowan in the Province of North  
Carolina being in perfect Health & Mind given unto  
takeing into Consideration the time of my Death and the  
time of my death