

In the name of God Amen I Jacob
 Thomas of Rowan County and Province of North Caro-
 -lina being very sick and weak of body but of perfect
 mind and memory thus be to God calling to mind
 the mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appor-
 -ted unto all men once to die and after Death the
 judgment do make and ordain this my last will
 and Testament, and principally and first of all
 I give and recommend my soul into the hands
 of Almighty God who gave it and my body I recom-
 -mend to the earth to be interred in a Decent Chris-
 -tian manner at the Discretion of my Executors
 nothing doubting but I shall receive the same at
 the general Resurrection by the mighty power of
 God — and as touching such worldly Estate where-
 -with it hath pleased God to bless me with in this life
 I give, devise and dispose of in the following manner
 and form and in the first place I allow all my Law-
 -full debts to be ~~paid~~ discharged. ~~My will is~~ I give
 and bequeath to my beloved son John a Certain Tract
 of Land lying on the Cataba River betwixt where I
 now live and Richard Lucie's plantation, beginning

at Richard Lucie's Corner on the River bank and run-
 ning along said line about 100 poles either more or
 less as may be best convenient in the Division of
 the Tract I now live on and then to Corner on Richard
 Lucie's line and run to the first Branch and from
 thence to the River and likewise to my son John I leave
 the following Horses namely, Soter, Dick and Jack
 and two fillies — I Inprim I give and bequeath to
 my son James a Tract of land lying North from John
 Land upon a branch called the long Branch not divided
 but to be measured as may seem most convenient to
 the Advantage of the whole Tract together with the following
 Creatures Viz. A Horse called Gray, his own mare and
 Colt and a three year old filly, I Inprim I give and bequeath
 to my son Henry a Tract of land whereon the small Im-
 -provement is made lying on both sides of the Creek
 I give to my son Jacob the Improvement whereon I
 now live with a part of the land lying adjacent thereto
 I give to my son W^m One hundred pounds to be
 levied out of my personal Estate, I give to my
 Daughter Elizabeth One hundred pounds to be levied
 out of my personal Estate, I bequeath to my Daughter
 Anne One hundred pounds to be levied out of my
 Estate and put to interest till she is capable of
 receiving it

(150) I give and bequeath to my Beloved Wife Margaret the Negro wench named Rine as her property during her Widowhood and if she should Marry then the Wench to be sold and the value thereof to be divided into four equal Shares herself a part. ^{W^m} a part Elizabeth a part and Anne a part herself, or if it should please God to call her hence then said Wench to be sold and her value Equally divided among my three last Mentioned Children and my above named Wife I likewise allow her the benefit of a widowhood on the Improvement I now live during her Widowhood, and the care and Education of my two youngest Children, Jacob & Ann I leave to this Mother's discretion till they come to the Years of Maturity and for the support of her and them together I leave all my Household furniture in general including all Supplements of Husbandry such as may be necessary in upholding a farm as long as in her Widowhood as above and to my Wife I leave the Grey Mare, and Sorrel Mare and all the Cow hens in general together with all the sheep including her Own saddle, and I do Constitute Appoint and assign my son John and James Thomas to be the sole Executors of this my last Will and Testament and none other, I do hereby Revoketh Revoketh and Disannul

all and every other former Testaments Wills (151)
Legacies Bequest and Ex^{or} by me before in any
Will ~~made~~ named Wills and Bequeaths, Mak-
ing this and no other to be my last Will and Tes-
tament. ~~Witness~~ which I have hereunto set my
hand and Seal this fourteenth day of April in the Year
of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and twenty
Eight - Signed sealed published and pronounced &
Declared by the said Jacob Thomas in his last Will
and Testament in the presence of us —

John M. Whorton
John J. Briant
14/4/28 State

John Thomas
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In the name of God Amen the Ninth day of
Oct^r in the Year of our Lord God, One thousand seven hun-
dred and Eighty four, Hugh Graham of the State
of North Carolina County of Rowan being very sick
and weak in Body but of perfect mind and Memory
thanks be given unto God, Therefore calling unto
mind the Mortality of my Body, and knowing that
it is appointed unto all men once to die do make
and ordain this my last Will and Testament