

1776 In the Name of God Amen I James McQuinn of the Province of
North and County of Rowan being in firm in Body but of sound
Memory and Judgement Do this eighteenth Day of October in the Year of our
Lord God one thousand seven hundred and eighty five make & publish this my
last Will and Testament whether by Word or writing if such be made by
me first I bequeath my Soul to God waiting through Grace in Christ my
Saviour for that Merciful promise to them that believe in him and my Body
to be interred as my Executors thinks fit. And first of all to pay my just Debts
and to divide my Estate as follows to wit. First of all I give to my dear
beloved Wife Jane McQuinn the full third Part of all my moveables with
my ready Money and what is due to me with my Negro, Fellow named
Jim, or Jam. secondly with my Plantation I now live on during her
Life time not to be disturbed by any to have the same Rowen as if I
was alive. I likewise I give the third Part of all my moveables and and
Chattels to my four Daughters to be equally divided amongst to my
Daughter Jane now Mary to Thomas Black also, to my Daughter Sarah
also, to my Daughter Evina now Mary to John Nelson also, to my Daughter
Mary and to my Daughter Dorcas. Thirdly I give to my son James
McQuinn four hundred & fifty Acres of Land lying on both
Sides of Richland Creek known by the Name of the Mill place joining
Leeds Land, I also and ordain Son Thomas McQuinn as Executor on
him and not to sell or dispose of the Plantation I left it to my son James
McQuinn without my son The McQuinn Consent or Leave now by
the Name of the Mill place. Fourthly I give to my son James
McQuinn the Plantation I now live on with all the Improvements
and Price or Parcel of Land as is contained in a Deed for S. Improv.
at his Mother my Wife's Death and not to sell or not molest her any or
any she appoints to live on it during her Life time. I also want
my son The McQuinn the sum of twenty Pounds current Money of
North Carolina to be paid in three Months after my Death to be paid
by my son James McQuinn. 5th I also want my son The
McQuinn Son James McQuinn the sum of twenty Pounds

1776 In the Name of God Amen I Alexander Newberry of the
County & Province of North Carolina Whither being in perfect Mind
and Memory Thanks be given unto God, calling to mind the Vaniti-
lity of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all men
once to die, Do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament.
That is to say principally and first of all I do recommend myself
into the Hands of almighty God that gave it, and my Body I commend
unto the Earth to be buried in a Christian and decent Manner at the Dis-
cretion of my Executors, nothing doubting but at the general Re-
surrection I shall receive the same by the mighty Power of God.
First I order my funeral Charges and just debts to be paid, my Last
and Effects I bequeath to the Widow of my Mother & her Family.
First I give and bequeath unto Annas Newberry my ready money
Wife, Spinster, the one third of the Household Furniture the best the
choicest of one of the Cows and the Use of one of the Horses or Mares
when she was proper belonging to my loving Son James or Alexander
Newberry. Secondly to my well beloved Son William Newberry I leave
I leave twelve Pounds proclamation money to be paid to James
Cooper or his order for a share already bought I likewise leave and
bequeath to my said Son William twelve Pounds proclamation Money.
Thirdly I leave and bequeath to my beloved Son James Newberry and
Alexander Newberry Planters the Plantation I live on to be equally
divided in proportion and Goodness as possible as they can agree to
live on the best the one living on the improved place is to assist the
other in making no good Improvements. The Remainder of the Household
Furniture after my beloved Wife gets her share as is already mentioned
all the moveables Goods and Chattels are to be equally divided between
my two Sons James Newberry and Alexander Newberry, only
what is hereafter excepted out of the above moveables Goods and
Chattels viz. to my son James one sound Horse and to my son
Alexander one Bona Horse, my new
of a big boat, I likewise Charge my