

July 22^o. In the name of God amen! I James M^c Machan
of Rowan County in N. Carolina, be in a tolerable good
state of health Thanks be to God calling to mind the mortality
of the body, knowing that it is appointed for all men
once to die, do make & ordain this my last will & test:
Principally & first I recommend my soul into the hands
of God, & my body to the earth to be decently buried
nothing doubting as at the general resurrection I shall
receive the same again. And as touching such worldly
estate wherewith it had pleased God to bless me in this
life I give demise & dispose of the same in the following
manner first I give & bequeath to Lucanna my beloved
wife all my household goods & all my black cattle
& sheep also I give to my beloved sons Samuel & Will^m.
M^c machan all my land to be equally divided betwixt
them beginning at the middle of the west line & run
straight to the east & Samuel shall have the south side
& Will^m the north & I also appoint the Samuel M^c-
Machan & Will^m M^c Machan to executors of this my
last will & test: & further my will is that said executors
shall pay or so soon as convenient they can twenty five
pounds apiece to the rest of my beloved children to John
& Thomas, Elizabeth, & James & Mary of which same
I appoint Will^m to pay one hundred pounds & Samuel
twenty five pounds & to my son William all my oplyment
of — with I give my bay horse & young mare

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& waggon — and I will that my beloved wife have
comfortable living on the place as long as she lives
I confirm this to be my last will in witness whereof
I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 12 day of September
1787.

Signed, sealed, declared & James M^c Machan
in presence of us: Lazarus Whitehead jun. David Johnson.

In the name of God Amen the 12 Day of July 1783.
I John M^c Colton of the province of N. Carolina &
County of Rowan, being very sick & weak in body but of
perfect mind & memory Thanks be to God, calling to
mind the mortality of the body & knowing that it is
appointed for all men once to die, do make & ordain
this my last will & test: First of all I recommend my
soul to God & my body to the earth where it shall
be in a christian manner buried. As touching such
worldly estate wherewith it had pleased God to
bless me in this life I dispose of in following form.
Imprimis I give & bequeath to Elizabeth my dearly
beloved wife the cow, calf & heifer & one room in the
dwelling house & the livery of the aforesaid her life time
After my lawful debts are paid the remainder is left
with household goods, debts, moveable effects to be
for her use & disposal.