

212. my last Will and Testament (and desire it may be
received by all such). First I most humbly bequeath my soul to
God my maker, beseeching his most gracious acceptance of it,
thro' the merits and mediations, of my redeemer Jesus Christ
(and as to my worldly estate, I will and positively order that
all my debts be paid, first, I give to my dear and Loving Wife
Catherine Hincine my Iron Grey mare, (and likewise a new
saddle to be got for her out of my estate, likewise I will and
ordain that the plantation wherein I now live, to be entered as soon
as my Lord's office, is signed and grants to be got and to be divided
(and the costs amounting thereby to be paid and paid out of my
estate) (and the money left in the Executors hands, for that purpose
I likewise leave unto my dear and loving Wife the House
in which I now dwell, (and her third part of the plantation
for her to raise the Children while she remains a widow, next
I give unto my Son Jacob Hincine Eighty Acres of Land out
of the said Grant to wit: that side he now lives on (and the
remaining part of the Land to be equally divided between my
Sons, Jacob, John, George, Christopher and Abraham
Hincine) to them and to Jacob, (and to their heirs and assigns
forever. And to my debts due to me by my Debtors I will that
my Executors collect it (and as to the rest of my worldly
goods, I will and positively order, that they be sold and the
amounting thereby, together with my debts
lastly be paid, to be equally divided

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Excepting my wife's third among my children viz. my
son Jacob, Henry, John, George, Christopher, Abraham, Peter
Catharine, Elizabeth, Margaret, Christiana, Wendine. I
likewise constitute and ordain Joseph Bayan, and Jacob
Bot, my Executors, of this my last will and Testament
and Trustees for my ^{now} and children. In witness whereof I have
hereunto set my hand and Seal this twentieth day of
May. The year of our Lord, One Thousand Seven hundred
(and Seventy five).

I Signed Sealed, and delivered

In the presence of,

Gabriel Procks,
William Mitchell,
Charles Hincine,

John's Hincine

Laurance Singler's last Will, (True and Original in Deed)

1775
North Coast } In the Name of God Amen I Johanna Humphreys of the
County of Rowan Province of North Carolina being at
present the weak of Body, yet of perfect Mind and Memory, Do make
constitute and ordain this my last Will and Testament in Manner
and Form following (viz) First and principally I commend
my Soul unto the Hands of Almighty God who gave it hoping
through the Merits Death and Passion of Jesus Christ my Saviour
to obtain Remission of all my sins and to inherit eternal life.
and my Body I commend to the Earth to be decently buried in the
Discretion of my Dear hereafter named and as to the disposal
of all such temporal Estate as I shall be possessed of by God's blessing
upon my death and burial

211) I will that all my just Debts and funeral charges be paid & discharged. I will leave unto my Daughter Elizabeth Penington one feather Bed and Furniture. I will leave unto my Son William Haggathy the sum of five Shillings current money and no more having already received his full part in my Life Time. I will leave unto my Daughter Elizabeth Penington three sermon Books and all my wearing Apparail. I will leave unto Johannah Penington my big Bible and one Bed and Furniture. I will leave unto my Grandson John Haggathy and Mary Haggathy and Nancy Haggathy and their my grand Daughters Mary Penington and Elizabeth Penington & Gemima Penington what is left after my Deced to be equally divided among them when they come to Age. —

And lastly I hereby Ordain constitute and appoint Edward Turner and John Prator Executors of this my last will and Testament hereby revoking & annulling and making void all other Wills Legacies or Testament by me heretofore made appointed let granted or constituted Ratifying and Confirming this and this only to be my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twenty eighth Day of September

Anno Domini 1774

signed sealed and delivered
published and related by
the Testator to be his last Will
in presence of us
my Dickson

Johannah
her J. Mark
Humphreys



Abner Spurr } In the Name of God Amen the twelfth Day
1774 } of August one thousand seven hundred and seventy
four I James Smith of y^e Province of North Carolina
and County of Rowan being very sick and weak of Body but of
perfect Mind and Memory thanks be to Almighty God for it and eating
of Mortality of Man & that man must die when it shall please God
to call I do make constitute ordain & declare this my last Will
and Testament in Manner & form following revoking & annulling
by these presents all & every Testament & Testaments & Wills heretofore
by me made either by Word or writing & this is to be taken for my
last Will & Testament & hereafter I feel being heartily sorry for my
past sins & most humbly desiring forgiveness for y^e same I give &
recommend & commit my Soul unto y^e Almighty God my Saviour and
Redeemer in whose by the Merits of Jesus Christ I trust & believe
firmly to be saved & also to rise again at y^e general Day of Resurrection
with joy through the Merits of Christ's Death & inherit the Kingdom
prepared for all his chosen ones & I also recommend my Body to y^e Earth
to be buried at the Discretion of my Ex^{rs} in decent Burial Ground & as
for the settling my worldly Estate I ordain in the Manner as follows
to wit that all my Debts be paid out of my personal Estate & that
the Remainder be divided as followeth that is to say —
To my nearly beloved Wife I will & bequeath y^e third of all my personal
Estate after the payment of my Debts to her own use & to be willed to whom
she shall see Cause at her own Valors her living & maintenance
in y^e place ^{with y^e privilege of y^e House} & to be continued a Widow but if she sees Cause to
marry she is to be paid twenty pounds out of y^e real Estate & no
further benefit for ever. Also I will & bequeath to my
Andrew five pounds which he has in his own hand
to receive any further benefits from y^e Estate