

In the name of God Amen! I Joseph McConneyghay  
of the County of Rowan & State of N<sup>o</sup> Carolina Planter  
being in a low state of body but of perfect mind & memory  
Do make & declare this my last will & testament in the  
manner & form following.

First I give my soul into the hands of almighty God  
hoping for the remission of my sins through the merits of  
Jesus Christ. My body I commit to the dust in hope  
of a glorious resurrection. And my worldly estate, where-  
with it had God pleased to bless me I give & devise as follows  
I give & bequeath to Martha, my beloved Wife, one  
third part of my whole personal estate, my Doseer &  
furniture, & her riding saddle.

Also I give & devise all that my whole refugee &  
tumments on which I now live, with all the appertaining  
to my two sons, Joseph & James to be equally di-  
vided between them, as they themselves may agree on the  
division. If they can't agree my will is that each of them  
choose a man to divide the tenement according to its value  
& to assign to each that respective part which they (as  
the men chosen) shall think proper provided my said  
sons should happen both to choose the same party  
after division.

Also I give & devise to my two sons Hugh & Sampson  
all that whole tract of land, late the property of Capt  
George Cowen, lying situate, being on a creek known  
by the name of Little or second creek to be equally divided

between them, as they themselves may agree on that  
division. The land to be divided acre for acre, & not  
according to the value of the whole tract as above  
directed in the case of my sons Joseph & James.

Also I give & bequeath & devise to my son Samuel, the  
sum of twenty pounds or the value thereof, in law full  
current money of this State to be paid out of my  
whole personal estate, after my wife has received her  
third part as above directed.

Also I give & bequeath to my son Hugh, one bay  
horse, known by the name of Little Dick & to my  
son Sampson one bay mare called bald face, to be  
taken out of the whole personal estate, before my  
wife shall have received her third part as above direct.  
All the remainder of my personal estate after I  
legacies of whatever nature or quality the same  
be & not herein before given & disposed of (after  
payment of debts, legacies & funeral expences). I do give  
& bequeath to my two sons Joseph & James

Also I give & bequeath to my daughter Jean Miller  
the value of one silver Dollar, to my other daughter  
Catherine Swan, Mary Vier, & Martha Foster one  
silver Dollar each.

And I do hereby revoke & disannul all other & former  
wills & testaments, declaring this & this only to be my  
last will & testament of which my wife Martha &  
son Joseph are executors.

66. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand  
& seal this twenty seventh Day of June A.D. 1785  
in the IX year of our independence.

Signed sealed, & published.

as & for his last will & test: in the presence of us, who in his presence & in the presence of each other have subscr: our names

Joseph & McConney  
mark. (mark)

William Bowman Jr.

Sam: Mc Cawle.

John Bowman

In the name of God Amen! I James Trott of Rowan County in the State of N<sup>o</sup>. Carolina, being weak in body but of sound mind & memory do make this my last will & test: Imprimis I will & bequeath to my well beloved wife Margaret Trott, fifty acres of land, including the improvements on the tract of land purchased of James Kerr during her life & widowhood. Also to my well beloved wife aforesaid one black mare on plough & gear, one bed & furniture two cows one Iron foot, & over, the dresser ware, my chest & pine table one tea kettle, one wollen & linen wheel, one rug one woman saddle, & one chair & the loom.

Item I will & bequeath to my son Samuel Trott thirty one Dollars to be paid him out of the sale of my property Item I will & bequeath to my son Abraham Trott thirty acres of land on th<sup>r</sup> tract, purchased of James Kerr near Potts Shoals on third creek.

Item I will & bequeath unto Samuel Penchard forty acres of land lying between the two branches where the said Samuel Penchard has made an improvement during the life of my daughter Margaret Trott said Samuel Penchard wife, & if she should be the longest live at her death to go to her heirs but if she should die before her husband viz said Samuel Penchard, the said land to be sold & equally divided amongst my children. Item I also will & bequeath unto my well beloved wife Margaret Trott two sheep, all the corn & butter, provided she supports the stock of cattle & horses until the day of sale of my property, also three hundred weight of pork & one of the Beef's now a fattening, her choice. Item I will & bequeath to my son Stephen Trott one fatten hog, also to my son Frobby Trott one sow two pigs & four shoats<sup>1/2</sup> by his wife known by the name of Frobby. Also to my well beloved wife Margaret Trott six pigs of the litter of the sow, will to Frobby Trott aboves mentioned also three shoats. Also all the flax, thirty pounds of seed Cotton & ten pounds of wool also all the wheat & one bushel of beans, & the cloth in the loom & what spun cotton is in the house & the whole of the salt & one pair of shoes, & fourteen geese & one meat tub Also my will & desire is that my son Samuel Trott shall pay to my wife Margaret Trott the balance of the price of the horse she sold him. The rest of my estate both personal & real I will & bequeath to be sold & an equal division to be made to my children as aforesaid viz James John, Stephen, Frobby, Eleonor, & Ann Trott for their use, after paying my just debts, as also all monies