

# In the Name of God Amen

I Margaret Shendricks of the County of Rowan and state of North Carolina being sick and weak in body but of perfect sound mind and memory do make and ordain this my last will in manner following first I will that all my lawful debts be paid and my funeral Expenses discharged. Also I give and bequeath unto my good friend Elizabeth Brandon my Cow and under my flock of butter my duck seven live pots frying pan pot rack Churn washing tub pans and earthen pots black silk handkerchief belt and belt collar and all my bed accounts and money and my ax and all other property not written away. Also I give and bequeath unto Isaac Cargy my Calf. Also I give and bequeath unto Martha Cowden my other silk handkerchief my hat and a shift cloth. Also I give unto Catherine my maid and recd. Also I give and bequeath unto Elizabeth Manders Negro Woman. I will my bed and bedstead bolster one blanket three shifts three aprons three petticoats and one pair of shoes and also another new blanket duck make. Also I give and bequeath unto John Smiths daughter Betsy two petticoats and one bed gown. And lastly I constitute and appoint my good friend Elizabeth Brandon sole executrix of this my last will witness my hand and seal this 22 day of August 1790 in presence of the following Margaret Shendricks

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I Christopher Cowin of Rowan County and State of North Carolina being advanced in years but of perfect mind and memory thanks be to God and calling to mind the mortality of my body and that it is appointed for all to die I do make ordain and Institute this my last will and Testament And principally and first of all I give and recommend my Soul to the hand of God that gave it Hoping through the merits death & Intercession of my Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ to have a full and free pardon of all my sins and to inherit everlasting life And my body I commit to the Earth to be buried in decent and Christian like manner at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named nothing doubting but to receive the same again at the general resurrection by the mighty Power of God as at sounding such words by Estate and has pleased God to bless me with in this life I give bequeath demise and dispose of in the following manner and form And first it is my desire that all the next of kin I owe to any person whatever either in right or in conscience be well and truly paid and satisfied in some convenient time after my decease by my Executors I give bequeath and demise to my Children Jane Graham Sarah Margaret McQueen William John and Sarah Brown the sum of five shillings to be