

In the name of God Amen! I Mary Kerr of the County of Rowan & State of N. Carolina, being advanced in years, & knowing that all flesh must die, & being desirous to settle my worldly affairs in as equitable a manner as possible, do make this my last will & test, in manner following —

First I recommend my soul to God, who gave it, & my body to the earth, to be buried in a christian manner, & as touching such things as it had pleased God to bless me with in this life I give, & devise in the following manner:

1st I give & bequeath to my son Joseph Kerr ten shillings to be paid out of a legacy, bequeathed me by my brother Archibald Hamilton of South Carolina, & to my son Samuel I give a note & account signed to me by Samuel Kerr, on John Brandon. I give & bequeath unto my daughters Jane Sauer, Ann Gardner Margaret Lambeth, all the residue of my estate, to be equally divided between them, except my cloaths. And Mary Corman to have an equal divide of them (my cloaths) and as I have notes & accounts against some of said legacies I will & desire that Robert Gardners note, be deducted out of his part of my estate my intention is that Mary Corman have a equal division of my cloaths only.

Lastly I nominate, constitute & appoint my son Joseph Kerr & my friend David Gardner, executors of this my last will & test: In witness whereof I have set my hand & seal hereunto this 28th day of July 1801

Signed, sealed, & declared in presence of

Jⁿ Brandon.
Esther Brandon.

Mary Kerr

In the name of God Amen! the 10th day of December 1799. I Peter Kane of Rowan County & State of N. Carolina being in health of body & of perfect mind & memory thanks be given unto God. Therefore calling to mind the mortality of body & knowing that is appointed for all men once to die do make & ordain this my last will & test: that is to say principally & first of all I give & recommend my soul to God, & my body to the earth, to be buried in a christian like manner at the discretion of my executors, hereafter named, nothing doubting but at the general resurrection. I shall receive the same again, through the mighty power of God; & as touching such worldly goods, where with it had pleased God to bless me in this life I give, devise & dispose of in the following manner & form.

1st Imporimis it is my will & I do order that all my just debts & funeral expences be paid & satisfied out of my moveable estate. Item I give & bequeath to my two sons Leonhard Kane & Abraham Kane my homestead plantation, whereon I now dwell, which I purchased from Henry McCulloch & from said State lying in said County on both sides of Farmers creek, including three hundred & ninety acres be the same more or less & also my waggon & two horses with the gear & harnesses, & all my farmer utensils to them their heir & assigns forever. I likewise order that my two said sons Leonhard & Abraham shall maintain Catharine my well beloved wife on my said plantation during the time that she remains my widow. I further order that my two said sons Leonhard & Abraham shall pay to my two sons Peter & Jacob Kane thirty pounds each, after my decease.