

In the Name of God Amen.

I Richard Brandon of the County of Rowan
and State of North Carolina being in a sick
and low condition of body but of perfect sound
mind memory & Judgement (blessed be God
for his mercies) and calling to mind the mor-
tality of my body and that it is appointed for
all men one to die do make and ordain this
my last will and Testament in manner and
form following that is to say. First I will that
all my lawful debts be paid and my funeral
Expenses discharged. Also I give and bequeath
to my Son John my boy Mare. Also I give and
bequeath to my daughter Mary five pounds
Also I give and bequeath to my Grandson
Richard Alexander my silver buckles. Also
I give and bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth
one Rugged Cow and one Yellow Cow. Also
I give and bequeath to my daughter Lettis
my Negro man Sam and my Negro Woman
Sarah and my Saddle. Also I give and
Devise to my Son Matthew the tract of land
on which I now live containing two hundred
and forty Acres with all the Improve-
ments and appurtenances thereunto apper-
taining and belonging to him. I said Matthew
and his heirs and to their or by their

And behest forever Also I give and bequeath
to my Son Matthew my Negro boy Andy ~~and my~~
Horse ~~and~~ and all and every of my personal
Estate Goods and Chattels of every kind not al-
ready mentioned or bequeathed and I will that
my Negroes Sam and Sarah and my boy Mare some
mentioned remain to the use of my Son Matthew until
the prison lock in which he is now engaged be finished
And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint
my beloved sons John and Matthew ^{Executors} of this
my last will and Testament in witness whereof I
have hereunto set my hand and seal the seventh
day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand
seven hundred and ninety.

Signed Sealed published
and declared by the said
Richard Brandon as
his last will and
Testament before us
who were present at
the signing and
sealing of the same
Will Catty

John Jonston
Mark Martin

Richard B Brandon

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