

70) my last will & testament — In witnessing  
I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day  
and year above mentioned

Signed sealed & published  
pronounced & declared by  
the said Elizabeth M<sup>rs</sup> Colburn  
as my last will and tes-  
tament in the presence of us  
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Elizabeth M<sup>rs</sup> Colburn  
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In the name of God

Amos, the tenth day of June in the year of our Lord 1784 I  
Rebuel Bell of the County of Row in the State of North Caro-  
lina being very sick and weak in Body but of perfect  
mind and memory thanks be given unto God. I have  
calling unto mind the mortality of my Body and  
knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die  
do make and ordain this my last Will and Tes-  
tament. That is to say principally and first  
of all I give and recommend my soul unto the  
Hands of God <sup>that</sup> gave it and for my Body I  
recommend it to the Earth to be buried in  
a Christian like and Decent manner at the

discretion of my Executors not doubting (71  
but at the general resurrection, I shall receive  
the same again by the mighty power of God, and  
as touching such worldly Estate where with it  
hath pleased God to bless me in this life, I give  
devise and dispose of the same in the following and  
form **FIRST** I give and bequeath to Isabel  
my dearly beloved Wife, the one third of all my move-  
-able Estate after my just debts are paid, and her  
living upon the place of John's cross **likewise**  
my beloved son Andrew I give and bequeath One  
Hundred and fifty Acres of land lying along Sam<sup>l</sup>  
Lucksys line **likewise** my beloved son William  
I give and bequeath the remaining Two Hundred Acres  
of divided Land and three Hundred Acres of undivided  
Land **likewise** my beloved daughter Jan Bell  
I give and bequeath the sum of forty pounds current  
money of the aforesaid State, **likewise** my beloved  
daughter Mar<sup>ry</sup> Bell I give and bequeath the sum  
of five pounds of like money, and after the aforesaid  
sum is paid the Remainder to be divided Equally  
Between my son William and daughter Jan  
and Aquise **likewise** the Negro Winchalls