

162) Signed Seals and Publique pronounced in
presence of us who in presence of said James
Carson subscribed our names as witnesses

John Gardiner
Jacob Brown
Michael Brown
James Carson Esq.

I Give and bequeath to James Ryley all
my goods and Chattels after my death for my
maintenance I hang in proper senses, I declare
this to be my last Will and Testament in the
presence of us, this 8th day of September 1773

Test John Roberts
Richard Bruce
Priscilla Ryley
John Ryley Esq.

In the name of God Amen. November the fourth
One thousand seven hundred and Eighty three I
Robert Ramsey of Rowan County, State of North Carolina
being sick and weak of body, but of perfect mind
and memory calling to mind the mortality.

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of my Body, and that it is appointed for all men
once to die doth make and ordain this my last Will
and Testament and first of All I commend my soul
unto God who gave it nothing doubting but I shall
Receive the same at the general Resurrection by the might
= by power of God and my body I commend to the
Earth to be buried in a Christian decent manner
at the discretion of my Executors and as touching
the worldly Estate it hath pleased God to bless me with
in this life world I do dispose of in the following man-
= ner and form Viz—principally and first of all
I allow my lawfull and just debts and funeral
charges to be paid. Next I give and bequeath Jean
Ramsey my well beloved wife one black Mare named
Holl & Saddle and Bridle Spinning wheel Red and
Red Cloaths and if she chuse to remain with my son
Andrew to have a good maintenance off my Estate
or part thereof bequeathed to him the said Andrew
& a decent Burial if she remains with him untill
the end of her time in this world. Next I give and
bequeath to my son William ~~two pounds~~
James two pounds and a thick cloth white hat
Next I give and bequeath my son William two
Pounds

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I give & bequeath my son David two pounds
I give & bequeath to my son John Ten pounds
I give & bequeath my Daughter Elizabeth Hutton
Ten pounds - I give and bequeath to my grand
Daughter Margaret Hutton Two pounds. I give
I give and bequeath to my son Robert One Negro
Bunch named Mill. I give and bequeath
to my son Andrew the plantation now lives on
with One hundred Acres adjoining thereto taken
by a deed from the States office, to him his Heirs
And Assigns for ever, and all way of the appur-
tenances thereto belonging or appertaining, &
One Negro boy named Caesar, and if any part or
parcel of my Estate or remaining after the pay-
ment of all and every of the former legacies &
Bequeathments yet remaining it is to be equally
divided between my son Robert and my son
Andrew, likewise I constitute and Ordain
James Willson Robert Ramsey my trusty
friends to be my whole and sole Executors of
this my last Will and Testament

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Revoking all former Wills Testaments or
Bequeathments whatsoever, Ratifying and
confirming this and no other to be my last
Will and Testament as Witness my hand &
seal the day and Year first written
Signed sealed and pronounced and
declared in presence of

Andrew Kerr X Robert Ramsey ^{his} Seal
Jas. Willson ^{witness}

In the name of God Amen I Jeremiah Jacob
of Rowan County and State of North Carolina being
weak in body but of perfect mind and memory do
make and ordain this my last Will and Testament
in form and manner following first I will that
all my just debts be paid by my Executors, secondly
I will and bequeath unto my son Edward Guther
Jacob One hundred and fifty Acres of land where
I now dwell to have after my decease, by his pay-
ing there Hundred pounds Current money to have at
eight Shillings to him his Heirs and Assigns for ever