

will and pleasure is that my Loving wife Rebecca together
with my loving son John late live together in my own ten
house and to have the use of my Plantation two horses
three Cows & four Sheep plough & bullock and other implements
as husbandry and as much of the household furniture
as may be necessary for house keeping & to live together
during my said loving wife's natural life or her living
my wife also I have bequeathed to my wife all and singular
her wearing apparel, her side Table & married journey
to be by her used & enjoyed by her heirs & assigns for ever
I have bequeathed and assign to my loving son John
my plantation land & ornaments all & singular together
with all the residue of my personal estate and at my
wife's death all the different articles & in case of their
to them & their heirs and assigns for ever.

I do hereby nominate, constitute, ordain & appoint Samuel
Young & Samuel Lowrey my Executors of this my Last
will & testament hereby revoking and annulling all other
and former wills, bequests, bequeaths, and bequests by me in any
way named or appointed before this time Testifying & confirming
this and no other to be my last will & testament
Signed sealed published pronounced Robert Tate
& declared by the said Robert Tate
in the presence of us the subscribing witnesses (Viz)
James Gray
Sam. L. Lowrey
mark

A schedule to the above will made before the above
will was signed & executed (to wit) I allow my son
John to be made a good English scholar also to be put
to a trade whifor for it if he should incline to choose one
Samuel Young

In the Name of God Amen the nineteenth
day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand seven
Hundred & seventy nine I James Morrison of the Coun-
ty Rowan & State of North Carolina farmer being sick &
weak in body but of perfect mind & memory thanks be given to
God for the same & calling to mind the mortality of my Body
& knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make
and ordain this my last will & testament that is to say prin-
cipally & first of all I give & recommend my soul into the
hands of God who gave it & for my Body I recommend it to the
Earth to be buried in a christian like decent manner at the
discretion of my Executors nothing doubting but at the general
resurrection I shall revive the same again by the mighty power
of God & as touching such worldly Estate as it hath pleased
God to bless me with in this life I give devise & bequeath
of the same in the manner & form following
In the first place I desire that all my Lawful Debts
be paid by my Executors. Further I bequest to Mary
my dearly beloved wife all her Body Cloth Spinning wheel
Saddle & Gun there named to her two Cows & calves of her
own choosing all my Sheep except peaches shall be hereafter
by me bequeathed to my Children all my household furniture
including her kitchen Dresser & cupboard furniture or any such as
shall hereafter be bequeathed to my Children the sole & exclusive
right to the two rooms in the North end of my present manse
house for her & my Daughters Sarah & Margaret during
her life or fourth of the produce of my farm for her & the
support during her life under the circumstances aforesaid
to be mentioned the Lesson & use of my super printed name
Ed during her life all my former Instruments &
my Lot of Books in the public Library for her & my
two for mentioned Daughters while they live together

at my wife's decease said Daughters are to hold & enjoy
said lot at pleasure one third part of the money arising
from the saleable part of my Estate (except my land & negro)
one third part of the money I now possess (except one
piece of Gold & afterward to be mentioned) this to be paid
her at my decease & one third part of the debt now owing
to me. All the foregoing mentioned particulars I bequeath
to Mary my wife & her heirs for ever. I bequeath
to my son Andrew ~~the sum of one pound currency to him~~
and his heirs forever. I bequeath to my son Thomas Morrison
two hundred Acres of land lying in the west end of the
tract of land on which I now live on which his house stands
to be laid off by a North & south line running from the
south to the North boundary of said tract to him & his heirs
forever. I bequeath to my son William my loom & tackle
to him & his heirs forever. I bequeath to James Morrison the owner
of the tract of land I now live on ^{with} together with all the improve-
ments building & tenements on said land except the rooms before
mentioned and the double stable nearest my dwelling house
improved for the use of my wife said James shall have the
possession of the negro & in consideration of said Negro's labour
said James shall give to Mary my wife & two youngest Daughters
one fourth part of the annual produce of said land provided that
if one or both of said Daughters should marry her or their right
to said Crop shall become void. If said James shall choose after
my wife's decease to continue to possess said land he shall give up
his right & title of the tract of land on which he now lives
on the muddy fork of little house to my Executors to be by them
disposed of for the use of my heirs provided that till that time
said James shall have all the profits arising from said tract &
at that time he shall choose to leave the tract on which
I now live he shall give up his right & title to it to my
Executors to be by them disposed of for the use of my
heirs and said James to take to his tract one hundred

shall remain said provided that on his leaving the tract on
which I now live if it be judged by three freeholders chosen jointly
by him & both of my Executors that a consideration is due to
him from my heirs for enlarging the improvements or employing
a large number of hands on said tract comparing their labour &
crop made by them with the labour of a former Negro & the
fourth of thereof be given by him as before directed & James shall
be intitled to the sum determined upon by said freeholders to be paid
to him by my Executors out of the price of said land when sold
provided further that before this my will executed James
& my Executors do enter into a mutual inter obligation to perform
the above conditions. I also bequeath to said James any one of
my horses that my Executors may think proper to give him. These
things I bequeath to him & his heirs forever. I bequeath to my
son-in-law John M'Kee the sum of one pound currency to be paid
by my Executors to him and his heirs forever. I bequeath to my
son-in-law James Morrison the sum of one pound currency to be
paid by my Executors to him & his heirs forever. I bequeath to my
grandson William Morrison son of said James one heifer to give
old chosen out of my flock by my Executors to him & his heirs
forever. I bequeath to Alexander M'Corble one pound currency to be
paid by my Executors to him & his heirs forever. I bequeath to
my Daughter Catherine all her own bed & furniture nothing her
saddle a bed & furniture the pewter named to her a gray
mare & colt named to her three Cows one heifer & two calves
chosen from by the Executors from my stock five sheep chosen
as above also her spinning wheel to her & her heirs forever
I bequeath to my Daughter Sarah my Chromat coral horn
five years old one heifer named to her and two cows chosen by
herself after those before mentioned. It is also my will that said
Sarah be as soon as convenient furnished with a bed & furniture
& such a quantity of pewter and other necessaries as may be
judged necessary by my wife and my Executors to her & her
heirs. I bequeath to my Daughter Margaret my coral more two
years old one cow of her own choosing after those before
mentioned a saddle bed & furniture pewter & other necessaries

98) as shall be thought proper by my wife & my Executors
to be provided by them when larger necessary than to her
& her heirs forever. Further it is my will that the whole of
my Estate except those things before mentioned to be sold at
public auction, that the land assigned by my son Thomas &
my Nephew John be sold at my wife's desire in the same
manner that each sum be divided by my Executors
into twelve equal parts & be divided as follows
due in the following manner. That they give to
my son William two twelfths of the whole to my
son James two twelfths of the whole to my daughter
Margaret two twelfths of the whole that the rest of my
children sons & daughters have each one twelfth of
the whole to them & these heirs forever provided
that my two Saddles body Cloaths gun & books
be disposed of at discretion by my Executors that the
piece of Gold above mentioned of six pounds value
be given to my daughter Margaret and her heirs
forever. That four steers be reserved of my stock
for the support of my wife and daughter & three
following ages viz) one of four years one of
three years one of two years one of one year
old also all my stock of Hogs together with the
whole Crop now in my Ground for the purposes
above mentioned. It is also my will that my two
sons Andrew & Thomas Morrison be constituted
Executors of this my last will & Testament
And I do hereby utterly revoke & disannul
every other Testament will & legacy by me
before this time made written or bequeathed & do
affirm this to be my last will & Testament
in witness whereof

I have hereunto set my hand & seal the day & 99
year above written.

James Morrison Seal
Signed, sealed, published pronounced
by the said James Morrison as
his last will & Testament
in the presence of us the subscribers
Samuel Harris
James Hall Junr
John Morrison Miller.

In the name of God Amen I Matthew
Atkins of the State of North Carolina and County of New-
= in German being very sick and low in body yet of
perfect mind and memory blessed be God, and calling
to mind the mortality of my Body and that it is appoint-
= ed for all once to die do therefore make and ordain this
my last Will and Testament in manner and form as
follows viz— I do resign up my soul into
the hands of Almighty God who gave it and my body
I recommend to the earth to be buried in a decent
manner at the discretion of my Executors, nothing
doubting but I shall receive it again through the
mighty power of Christ, and as touching such world-
= ly things substance as it hath pleased God to
bless me with, I dispose in manner and form
as follows viz