

ratifying & confirming this & no other to be my last will & test.
In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 13th
day of January 1801.

Signed, read & declared in
presence of us.

Henry Robison Esq: Samuel Little.

John Andrew

Be it known to all men that I John Andrew of the County
of Rowan & State of N. Carolina have made & declare my
last will & test: in writing bearing the date the 13th day of
January 1801. I the said John Andrew by the present Codicil
do confirm & ratify my said last will & test: And do further
give & bequeath, unto my dear son James Andrew at the age
of eighteen years, a good horse, saddle & bridle, to be furnished
by my executors out of my estate. And my will & meaning
is that this codicil be adjudged to be a part of my last
will & test & that all things therein contained or mentioned
be faithfully & truly performed in every respect. In witness
my hand this 14th day of January 1801.

Signed in presence of us.

Henry Robison Esq
Samuel Little

John Andrew

In the name of God Amen! I Jesse Adams of the
County Rowan & State of N. Carolina being very sick & weak
in perfect health of body & perfect mind & memory thanks be
given unto God calling unto mind the mortality of my body
& knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die I do make
& ordain this my last will & test: that is to say principally
& first of all I give & recommend my soul to God who gave it
& my body to the earth to be buried in a decent Christian
manner at the discretion of my executors, nothing doubting but
at the general resurrection I shall receive the same again by the
mighty power of God & as touching such worldly estate wherewith
it had pleased God to bless me in this life I give devise & dispose
of the same in the following manner & form.

1st I give & bequeath to my beloved wife Amelia my land & all
the rest of my personal estate to her during her life or widowhood
what is left of paying my just debts.

2^d I give & bequeath to my son Thomas forty acres of land inclu-
ding the old improvement to be his forever to do as he
pleases with, after his mothers decease or widowhood & likewise
I give & bequeath to my son Benjamin the rest of my lands to
be at his sole will & disposal forever. & all the rest of my per-
sonal estate I give & bequeath to my four daughters to be
equally divided between them & lastly of all I have my beloved
wife Amelia Adams & John Myers to executors of my
estate by me in any ways before named, willed, & bequeathed.
I ratify & confirm this & no other to be my last will & test.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this
14th Day of January 1801.

Signed, sealed, published & declared. Jesse Adams (Seal)
by the sd Jesse Adams as his last
will & test: in presence of us
Elijah Veatch, John Pinckcomb.

In the name of God Amen! the 30th day of December 1799,
I Abel Armstrong of Rowan County & State of North
Carolina am sick & weak in body, but perfect in mind & memory
thanks be given to God, & calling to mind the mortality of
the body & that it is appointed for all men once to die do
make this my last will & test: & first & principally, of
all I recommend my soul to God who gave it, & my body
to be buried in a christian like manner at the discretion
of my executors hereafter named nothing doubting but
to receive the same again, at the general resurrection through
the mighty power of God. And as touching these things
wherewith it had pleased God, to bless me in this life I
give, demise, & dispose of in the following manner & form.
It is my will & pleasure that all those just debts or duties
which I owe to any persons, whatever, either in right or in
conscience, be truly & fully paid at some convenient day
after my decease by my executors.

Item I give & bequeath to my beloved wife Mary the brown
mare saddle & bridle & one cow of her own choosing her bed
& furniture ^{& all the kitchen & dressing furniture} she brought with her, her wheel, a wa-

ronnable support while she sees cause to live on my place
& remains my widow also my Negroe woman Rachel to wait
on her, during the above time.

Item I give & bequeath to my son in law William Coward
my right & claim to the Negroe girl Dinah now in his
possession.

Item I give & bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth my Negroe
girl Hannah.

Item, I give, bequeath & demise to my son James the mansion
house, I now live in, a certain tract of land, beginning on
a black oak, near the head of the meadow thence west across
the new field, thence to the stone bridge, thence down the creek
agreeable to the old plot, also my Negroe Andy, his horse
saddle & bridle & all my blacksmiths tools, the one half of my
farming utensils one bed & furniture & my rattle gun.

Item I give & bequeath to my daughter Anna my black
mare & saddle & bridle, also my Negroe woman Rachel with
all her offsprings, except her two first children, at such a time
as she returns to my estate, a bed & furniture & the remainder
of my dresser & kitchen furniture.

Item I give bequeath & demise to my son William my black
mare saddle & bridle & the two first children of my Negroe
Rachel had, when they arise at the age of two years; & the
one half of my farming utensils, with the rest of my land
not otherwise disposed of, & the black mares younged colts
& rattle. My waggon & gear I allow for the use of the plan-
tation. The residue of my estate I allow to be equally divided
amongst my three children viz James, Anna & William.