

166 The above proved by the oath of John Harley
Marney Keshaw, admitted as the with ~~with~~
Letters Testimonialy Insufficient.

In The Name of God Amen The twentieth day of
February in the year of our Lord one thousand seven
hundred and eighty one I Thomas Galt of
Newan County in the State of North Carolina
being sick and weak of body but of perfect mind
and memory have made to God and bidding to
mine my mortality and that it is appointed
to all men to die to make this my last will and Testament
and principally and first of all I recommend my soul into
the hands of God that gave it being through the me-
rits death and passion of my Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ
to have a full and free pardon of all my sins, and to inherit
Eternal life, and my body I commend to the earth to be
buried in a Decent Christian burial at the discretion of
my Executors hereafter named nothing doubting but to
revive the same again at the General Resurrection by
the mighty power of God. And touching such
Worldly Estate where with it has pleased God to
Bless me with in this life I give devise, Bequeath
and dispose of in the following manner and for my
Wife I will that all those Just debts and Debts as
I do owe either in Right or Conscience be paid as

Soon as may be after my decease by my
Executors hereafter named

Item I give and bequeath unto my loving wife Mary
one third part of all and singular my Estate both
Real and personal. During the term of her natural
Life, and at her death the said third part of
said to descend to my Children to be equally divided
amongst them share and share alike and to their
Heirs and Assigns for ever. Item I give and bequeath
to my loving Daughter Margaret my plantation on
the south fork of the Spawkin River, which I bought of
Clove Thompson and one third part of my personal
Estate to her and her Heirs and Assigns for ever
Item I give bequeath and demise to my loving
Daughter Elizabeth the plantation whereon I now live
including that I bought of John McClurath and
George Kerr and also the piece of vacant land situate
adjoining the same and the residue of my per-
sonal Estate to her and her Heirs and Assigns
for ever. Item I give demise and Bequeath to my
loving Daughter Margaret the named my
plantation which I bought of James Thompson
and situate and surveyed since, I allow the due
to spend in her name, and also my small
city and survey on Third Creek, joining

40 Jonathan Revere land and to her heirs and
Assigns forever, and also my Plantation I bought
of John Johnston & her and her heirs and Assigns
forever — ~~Now~~ I give demise and bequeath
to my loving daughter Elizabeth aforementioned the
Plantation I bought of Alexander Dugless to her
(and her heirs and Assigns for ever) ~~Nextly~~ I
Nominate ordain and appoint my loving Wife Mary
Samuel Young, and Thomas M. Gay my Executors
and Executors of this my last Will and Testament
hurdly Revoking and Disannulling all other and
former Wills Testaments Legacies Bequests devises
(and Executors by me heretofore named ordained or
appointed hurdly satisfying and confirming this &
no other to be my last Will and Testament, Codicil
in the month and year above written. I Thomas Lyall
do bequeath to my step daughter Susanna Coward
my Mare that goes under her name and a Cow &
Waddle and Bridle to her and her heirs & Assigns
for ever, and my will and pleasure is that this Codicil
be deemed & taken as part and parcel of my Will

Signed sealed, published & pronounced
& declared by the said Thomas Lyall
as his last Will and Testament in presence
of us the subscribers

James Brandon
James Graham
William M. Gay

Thos. Lyall Esq.

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In the name of God Amen I James Brandon of
Rowan County in the state of North Carolina being very sick
and weak of body but of perfect mind and memory thanks
be given unto God and calling to mind the mortality of my
body and that it is appointed for men to die. Do make this my
last will and testament and principally and first of all
I give and Recommend my soul into the hands of God that gave
it hoping through the Death merits and Intercession of my Lord
and saviour Jesus Christ to have a full and free pardon and
forgiveness of all my sins and to inherit everlasting life and
my Body I commit to the earth to be buried in a decent Christian
burial at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named nothing
doubting but to receive the same again at the General Resurrection
by the mighty power of God — I ordain as touching such worldly Estate
wherein it has pleased God to bless me with in this life I give
Devise bequeath and Dispose of in the following manner and
form (viz) It is my will and pleasure that all those just debts
and Duties as I owe to any manner of person or persons whomsoever
either in Law or Equity be first paid in some convenient
time after my decease by my Executors hereafter named

Item I give demise and bequeath unto my Beloved son William
Brandon that tract of land whereon he now lives Beginning at
the mouth of the spring Branch on the North side of fourth
Creek and running up said branch to the head thereof thence
a west course to the boundary line of said Tract thence the course
is of the original Road to the mill I am thence down the course is of
the dam and Creek to the Beginning Including the gristmill with
only the part of the saw mill only, and my Negro woman Floriah
and her Child called Yank and to his heirs and assigns forever

Item I give demise and bequeath unto my Loving son Benjamin
Brandon Four Hundred Acres of my Land on the north side
of fourth Creek Including the improvements where he now lives
Beginning at the Original Beginning comes on the North