

16. In the name of God Amen the sixth day of
December in the year of our Lord one thou-
sand seven hundred & eighty four William
Lynn of the County of Rowan and State of
North Carolina Yeoman being weak in body
but of sound and perfect mind and memory thanks
be to Almighty God. I therefore calling to mind
the Mortality of my body and knowing that
it is appointed once for all men to die I do
make ordain constitute this my last will &
Testament that is to say Principally & first
of all I give & recommend my soul into the
hands of God that gave it & for my body
I recommend it to the earth to be buried in a
Christian like manner at the discretion of
my executor. Nothing doubting but at the
general Resurrection I shall receive the same
again by the almighty power of God. And as
touching such worldly estate wherewith it hath
pleased God to bless me with I give devise and
dispose of in the following manner & form
to wit. First I give will and bequeath to my
daughter Mary Thomas Adams and Rachael
Cornelius Smiths wife my large Bible and
five shillings sterling if legally demanded
Secondly I give will & bequeath to my Daughter
Mary Thomas Adams wife one feather bed

and bedding six poster plates one poster dish one iron
pote now in the possession of the said Thomas Adams.
Thirdly I give will & bequeath to my son John Lynn
one saddle horse one saddle and bridle and two pairs of
Chattis & pair of saddle bags now in his possession
Fourthly I give will & bequeath to my son Israel Lynn my
set of blacksmith tools. Fifthly I give will & bequeath
to my son William Hanning Lynn one bay colt one
cow and three calves, and thirty pounds in the hands
of Edward Hughes Mellowright. Sixthly I give will
& bequeath to my Daughters Sarah and Hannah an
equal part of my personal estate with my son Hen-
ry Lynn after my wife Mary has got her third part
Seventhly I give will & bequeath to my beloved wife
one third part of my personal estate and all her
estate that she brought with her when I married her
Eighthly Ninthly I give will & bequeath to my son
Henry Lynn all that allpage and tract of land
in Rowan County whereon I now live to have and
to hold after my death and an equal part of my
personal estate with his two sisters Sarah & Hannah
before named when they marry or go away.
And I do hereby make ordain constitute & appoint
Mary my wife & my beloved friend James Macay
Executors of this my last will & Testament to take care
of & see that the same be performed according to my true
intent & meaning in testm^{ts} whereof I have hereunto
set my hand & seal the day I gave above written. Signed
written & pronounced by the said William Lynn as his last
will & Testament in presence of
James Macay, John Brown, Wilson Macay, William Lynn