

In the name of God Amen.

I James Meridith of the County of Surry and State of North-Carolina being at this Time of perfect sense & sound Memory God be praised for his mercies and knowing and being senceable of the uncertainty of this mortal life and being at this time in a weak State of health do make this my last Will and Testament. Disannulling all other Wills by me made prior to these presents, but this alone only to be my last Will & Testament that is to say.

I Give my beloved wife Mildred Meridith all my moveable and perishable property to her use and disposal while she lives & also at her decease she first paying out of the same what debts I owe all except the debt I owe to Colonel Archibald Hughes.

~~Item~~ I Give to my son John Meridith five hundred & forty acres of Land lying on the waters of Mayo River referring for the bearing to a deed of Gift to him made to said Land bearing date the twenty-ninth day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred & Eighty-nine.

Item My Will and desire is that the three hundred and fourteen acres of land lying in Stokes County including the plantation whereon I formerly lived be sold by me even

along with one half of the money arising from the sale
delivered to my son Daniel Meridith to his own use and the
other half to be applied to the use of discharging my debt
due to Col: Bugby and the balance to be paid to my beloved
wife Mildred Meridith to be ~~set~~ at her own disposal.

Item: my will and desire further is that all debts due
to me should be collected by my Executors and applied to the
use of my beloved wife and to my son John Meridith to be
equally divided between them and I do hereby appoint my
son William Meridith and my son John Meridith sole Executors
of this my last will & testament. In Witness whereof I
have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal this fifteenth
day of February Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred
and ninety.

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James Meridith Seal

Wm Cook

Reriah ^{his} Cook
mark

North Carolina Surry County May term 1790.

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time they saw William Meredith sign the same as
witness thereto & it was ordered to be recorded.

Recorded accordingly J. Williams Clk.

Know all men by these presents that Jesse Samford
of Surry County do hereby nominate Constitute ordain
& appoint and in my stead and place put my trusty
friend Joseph Murphy of the County aforesaid my true
& lawful Attorney to make Stephen Hyde and likewise
Alexander Bohannon each one of them a good & lawful
deed to two hundred acres of land be the same
more or less when ever the said Alexander Bohannon
shall get the grant for the said tract the whole being in
one Entry and lying on Fall Creek and is divided by
a conditional line between the said Stephen Hyde &
the said Alexander Bohannon making the said
Stephen Hyde a deed to the part whereon he now lives
and the said Alexander Bohannon a deed to the part
whereon the said Jesse Samford formerly lived each one to
the aforesaid conditional line giving and by these presents