

In the name of God Amen.

I John Rainwater of Surry County in N^o. Carolina being now in perfect Sense and Memory Thanks be to God, but yet considering that Life and Sense is Uncertain, Do make and Ordain this my last will and Testament (Viz) My Soul I Recommend into the Hands of God My body I Recommend to the Earth to be Buried in a Christian manner and as to my Whole Estate I Give, Devise, Bequeath and Dispose of the Same in the Following Manner and form To-wit — I Give to my Daughters, Mary Sarah Betty Winney Milley, and Molly, to each Five Shillings Proce. Money to be Laid out and Paid out of my Estate the Same is in full, and a Bar from their Obtaining any more.

Item — I Give to my son John Five Shillings Proce. money to be Paid as aforesaid the Same is in full and a Bar from his Obtaining any more unless he should Succeed his Brother James as trustee in the Management of that Part of my Estate which I Give for the Support of my wife and son William.

Item — I Give my Plantation and all my Land my Negro man Jack and all Other my Estate of what kind Soever to the whole and Sole use, Support and Maintenance of my wife and son William. (During their Lives and do hereby will and Subject the Same, into the Hands Care and Management of My son James whom I hereby Constitute and make Trustee to appropriate the Said Estate to their Sole use Support and Maintenance as aforesaid to them either Jointly or Single in such way and manner as he the said James shall Judge and think most to their Profit and best for their Support and

(Combed)

33) Comfort — And if any part of the said Estate should
Remain after their Decease my will and Intent is that
he the said James his heirs and Assigns, Enjoy the same for
ever — Item — If my Son James Decease
before my wife and Son William I Will that my son
John Succeed my said Son James in every point as Justice
Lastly — I Appoint My wife Mary Executrix and my
Son John and James Executors of this my last Will to see that
all things be performed according to the true Intent and
Meaning thereof And I do hereby Disannul (and Revoke)
every former Will and Ratify and Confirm this and no other
to be my last will and Testament In Witness whereof I
have hereunto set my hand and Seal this Fourth Day of
November 1774

Sign'd Seal'd publish'd pronounced & Declared in the presence of us
John F Rainwater

Jesse Bump
John F Rain

North Carolina Surry County May Court 1777
Jesse Bump one of the subscribing witnesses to the within
last Will & Testament of John Rainwater made oath that he
saw the said John Rainwater Publish & Declare the same
to be his last will & Testament that he was of sound
& disposing mind & memory and that at the same time
he saw John Pain sign the same as a witness and
on motion it was ordered to be Recorded
Recorded Accordingly of J. Williams, Clerk