

In the Name of god Amen. I James Leppins of Wayne
 County. in the Sta. of N. Carolina. being weak of body but of
 sound mind and memory. Prase be toged for the same. Do this 20th
 October A.D. 1812 Make Constitute and ordain this my Last will and
 Testament in manner and form following, Viz, first andprin-
 cipally I give and bequeath my soul into the hands of almighty
 who gave it, and my body I recommend to the Earth to be bur-
 ed in a Christian like manner. Nothing doubting but it will raise up
 again at the last Day by the Power of my blessed Saviour
 As for worldly Estate with which it hath pleased God to bless
 me I do bequeath and dispose of in manner form following
 First, my will I desire is that all my Just debts be satisfied
 paid by my Executors hereafter mentioned in the following manner
 Viz, that it is my Desire so many of the young negroes in cold
 my Est and not by the Sheriff at Public Vendue on the 1st of Nov^r
 as will satisfy and pay the S^d Debts, (wizt Elizabeth Stevens)
 Next, I desire to my beloved the Plantation whereon I now live
 and one negro man Call'd Jack. and one negro woman
 Call'd Nann, for and during her natural life -
 Then I send to my beloved wife the Residue of my whole Estate
 after my Debts are paid untill my son Richard arives to the
 Age of Twenty one Years. and at the expiration of the S^d Time the
 Estate then for that time be Equally Divided at the Discretion of
 my Executors Between my S^d Children
 Next, my will and Desire is that the land I slave and other
 Increase which I have left to me with during S^d Natural
 life be at her Decease Equally Divided amongst all my Chil-
 -ren at the Discretion of my Ex^{rs}, and I do here be nominate and
 appoint my beloved wife Elizth Stevens. my loving Brother James
 Stevens and my worth friends R^d Bap. Edmund Stevens. Christ
 Rayford and Edward Bap. Executors of this my will. Revoking
 and annulling all and every other former wills by me made
 Acknowledging this to be my last will and Testament
 In witness whereof I the S^d J^{as} Stevens have hereunto set
 my hand and Seal the 20th of October 1812
 James Leppins
 John Nathan Secy

the Name of god. Amen, the 23rd March 1776, I Thomas
 Grantham of No Carolina, in the County of Dobbs being very sick
 and weak in body but perfect mind and memory thanks be given
 be leged to the same Gallery to mind the Mortality of my body and
 knowing that is appointed for all men one to die. So make and declare
 my last will and Testament, I do, Principally and lastly I
 give & Recom mend my soul into the hands of almighty god the
 Father it and for my body I recommend it to the Earth to be
 buried in a Christian like manner at the discretion of Executors
 nothing doubting but at the general Resurrection I shall
 receive the same by the mighty powers of god, and Teaching my
 world to take when with it hath pleased god to ble's me in
 this life, I give and bequeath of same in form following
 to wit, I give and bequeath unto my dear & beloved wife Mary
 Grantham one Hundred Acres of land Concluding Part of the
 Plantation and the Negro fellow Galt Jack during her natural
 life and after her decease the Land to be the property of my well
 beloved son's Lion Grantham, and the Negroes to be sold and
 Equally divided amongst the rest of my Children, and the
 rest of my Land I desire to be Equally amongst the rest of my
 sons as they do Cause. I am Legue and bequeath to Each of
 my Daughters Twenty five pounds p^{er} ann^y money out of the remain^y
 of my Estate which is left be Equally among all my sons & Daughters
 I also desire that what B^y the Court I may be able to pay
 to discharge my debts, also I desire that my wife may and shall
 share with my Children, and also desire that Each my Children may
 Receive their Part of my Estate when they Come of Age, I am Legue and bequeath
 and appoint my son James Grantham my son Jethu Grantham, and my
 wife Mary Grantham, my sole Ex^{ors} of this my last will and Testament
 fulfilling and confirming this and no other to be my last will & Testament
 whereof I have sett my hand & hand this 23rd March 1776
 Signed Seal'd & published,
 in Presence of us
 John Grantham
 Joshua Grantham
 Wm. Grantham