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Signed, sealed, Published and declared by the said Edw^a North as his last Will
and Testament in the presence of us.

Northcott Neblett

John Stewart

James Pratt

Mary ^{his} Mrs Neblett
mark

Elizabeth McBord

The ages of my Children.

John North was born February 4th 1722/3

Edw^a North was born January 15th 1726

Eliz^a North was born January 29th 1728

Susanna North was born January 27 1740

W^m Page North was born Octob^r 25 1742

If these my family dies without heir or issue the heir is to found in old England in
Somersetshire in the Parish of Bharcom near Blandford of the family of John North who came
from there in 1714.

Recorded 16th Octob^r 1743.

By Virtue of a Letterimus to me from the hon^{ble} William Bull Esq^r Lieutenant
Governour and Commander in Chief and Ordinary of this Province.

Northcott Neblett James Pratt and Mary Neblett (three of the subscribing Witnesses
to the within Will) appeared before me who being duly sworn declared that
they were present and did see Edward North sign Seal Publish pronounce and
declare the foregoing to be his last Will & Testament that he was then of sound and
disposing mind Memory & understanding to their belief and also that John
Stewart and Elizabeth McBord the other subscribing Witnesses did sign their
names together with them in the Testator's Presence also saw John North one
of the Executors to execute the said Will this 5th October 1743.

John Champneys Dep Sec^r

Peter Tamplet.

In the Name of God Amen.

Peter Tamplet of Prince Fredericks Parish in the Province of South Carolina
being sick and weak in body but of sound Mind and Memory and being sensible
of the uncertainty of life and that it is appointed for all men once to die do first
Recommend my Soul to God who gave it and my body to be decently interred at the
Discretion of my Executors in hopes of a blessed and glorious Resurrection to eternal
life, and as touching the worldly estate with which it hath pleased God to bless
me with for the more ease and satisfaction of my wife and family give devise and
dispose thereof in manner and form following.

Item I give Devise and Bequeath to my beloved Wife Elizabeth & to her heirs and
assignes for ever one negro man named London one Woman named Phillis
and her Increase my best horse side Saddle & its furniture my best Bed and
its furniture also six Boxes and Boxes Six Chairs my best looking Glass and my
best Chest and Table all to be delivered to her immediately after my decease & also out
that she live on my Plantation & maintained with my other Children out of the Profits
thereof during her natural life or until my son Stephen attain the age of twenty one years.
I give and Bequeath unto my daughter Mary Westbury Two hundred and fifty

Item. Pounds currency in full of her Share or part of my estate both real and personal and
order the Negro Girl named Bloe to be delivered to her immediately after my decease as
Seventy Pound of the said Two hundred and fifty, and the remaining One hundred
and eighty Pounds I order to be paid to her my said Daughter in one year after my decease
Five and Bequeath to my Son Peter Samplet my Buchaneer Gun my Spanish Chest, and
my large Bible over and above his equal portion or share of my Estate hereafter to be bequeath-
ed and accordingly improve my said Executors hereafter mentioned to deliver them to him
whenever they shall see proper.

Item. I will that Grants be with all speed obtained for whatever Lands I have heretofore got
Surveyed, but not obtained Grants for, that the said Lands for which Grants are yet to be
obtained be as soon after as may be sold to the best advantage, and I hereby accordingly impow-
er my Executors hereafter named to sell and dispose of the said lands, and good sufficient
and absolute titles to make to the Purchaser and the moneys arising by sale thereof togeth-
er with whatever moneys may be due to me at the time of my decease, over and above what is
needfull for the Maintenance of my Wife and Children, and order to be by my Executors put
out at Intrest (taking Personal Security) for the use and benefit of my Sons Peter Stephen
John James Joseph and Elisha Samplets, as also for the use and benefit of whatever Child
Children is or may be procreat betwixt us hereafter.

Item. I will and desire that all my estate both Real and Personal besides what is before be-
queathed be kept together whole and undivided until my son Peter Samplet attain the
age of twenty one years, if he shall so long live, And then it is my Will that all my Personal
Estate be apprized by three maifferent Persons to be chosen by my Executors, and by them
divided into as many parts or shares as there may be Children of mine then alive (excepting
my daughter Mary Westbury) and after my said Personal Estate is so divided I will
that my son Peters Part or share may be drawn by lot, and delivered to him in full for
his share of my Personal Estate.

Item. I will and order that the remainder of my Personal Estate after paying the several
dispositions by me hereinbefore made be kept together until my Son Stephen attain the
age of twenty one years, if he shall so long live or in case of his Death until the next sur-
viving Child attain the age of twenty one years when it is my Will that my whole
personal Estate be sold by my Executors and divided between my five Sons Stephen John
James Joseph and Elisha Samplets and the Child or Children with which my Wife may
Oncient at the time of my Death or that may be born in my lifetime, each share and share
alike, and the shares falling to those of my said Children as may then be under the age of
twenty one years Order to be put out (upon personal Security) at Intrest for the use of my each
of my respective Children to whom the said share belongs.

Item. I will that the Plantation on which I am now settled containing three hundred and fifty
acres, be as soon as may be after the said Sale Sold and I hereby give unto my said Executors
hereafter mentioned full power to sell and dispose thereof and full sufficient and absolute title
thereon to make to the purchaser, and the money arising by the sale thereof Order to be equally di-
vided among my five Sons Peter Stephen John James Joseph and Elisha Samplets and the Child
or Children which may be born in my lifetime, or with which my Wife may be Oncient at the
time of my death, each share and share alike.

Item. I will that in case of the death of any of my said Children before they attain the age of twenty one
years their share and part of my estate be equally divided between their surviving brothers
share and share alike.

Item. I will and order that my Children be maintained and educated out of the profits of my
Estate until they attain the age of fourteen years at which time I desire they may be put to
such trades as may be thought most proper by my Executors and even after supplied with what
ever necessities they may want which their respective masters are not obliged to furnish them
with, accepting nevertheless those that have not attained the age of fourteen years when my Son

Stephen attains his age of twenty one years After which time under the Inflits of each Child
part or share be applyed towards his own maintenance and thereby constituting and appoin-
ting my beloved friends Mr. Josias Taft Daprice and Mr. William Flemming Executors and my
beloved wife Executrix of this my last Will and Testament fully confiding in their honour
and Integrity to interpret the same according to my true Intent and meaning and faith-
fully to perform and do their utmost endeavor to fulfil the several dispositions by me
herein made hereby revoking all other Wills by me heretofore made, this declare to be and
only to contain my last Will and Testament written on four unprinted pages of paper Imple-
ed under my Seal and signed this Sixth day of November 1742 and Sixteenth year of his
Majestys Reign as also witnessed on the back hereof in my Presence

Peter Samplet 

Signed Sealed Published and declared by the Testator Peter Samplet, as and for his
last Will and Testament in the presence of us who signed our names as evidence thereto in
presence of the said Testator. The words (Divided) between the 19th & 20th line of the 3rd Sheet,
and (the End of) between the 6th & 7th line of the 4th Sheet being first interlined.

Alex: Brown }
Leonard White }
John Nestbury }

This Will was proved by Virtue of a Decimus before K^m Whiteside
on the 9th of April 1743, who also Swore the Executors.

Recurred 16th October 1743 /

Edward Keating.

In the Name of God Amen.

Edward Keating of Goose Creek planter being weak in Body but of sound and per-
fect mind & understanding do make publish and declare this my last Will and Testa-
ment in manner and form following that is to say

first Principally I recommend my Soul into the hands of almighty God the author and giver of life
hoping for Remission of all my Sins in and through the Morits Death and sufferings of
my Lord and only Saviour Jesus Christ My body I give to the earth to be decently buried
among my deceased friends at the Discretion of my Executors and of my worldly Estate
I give in manner after mentioned.

Imprimis It is my Will that before any Division be made of all or any part of my estate that the Ceu-
niary Legacies herein after bequeathed & all my just and lawfull Debts be paid and
satisfied And if my Creditors are impatient for their money and will not wait until the
produce of my estate will be sufficient to satisfy their ~~full~~ demands, then it is my Will
that my Executors shall borrow money upon Interest to satisfy all my said Debts and Leg-
acies and that they keep my estate in their hands and management whole and entire un-
til the said money is borrowed be fully paid, I give and Devise to my beloved son Maurice
Keating and to his heirs forever all my real estate consisting of four several tracts of
Land within the said Province and containing in the whole about Two thousand and
eight acres of Land.

Item I bequeath unto my said Son Maurice Keating two negro men named Sam and
Wimber my large Bible and all my other books a sett of Surveying Instruments and
a pair of Silver mounted Pistols a Silver fitted small Sword my Gun and my Hatch-
Saw and Bequeath unto my well beloved daughter her Elvors Adams or as you

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