

In the name of God amen I Thomas Turner of Bertie-
County and Province of North Carolina being in my Perfect
senses and calling to mind the uncertainty of this mortal life I do make
and ordain this to be my last Will and Testament in the Following man-
ner First I recommend my soul to Almighty God who Gave it and my
body to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named
My worldly goods I dispose of in the following manner First I desire that all
my just debts be paid as soon as possible after my death

Item My will and desire is that my son David have my plantation and
land whereon I now live he paying to each of my other boardsons
Thomas Beniah Amos and Abisha each one hundred pounds pr
clamation money if any one of my sons should die before they come
to the age of Twenty one years or day of Marriage then my will &
desire is that his part be equally divided between the surviving
brothers If my son David after my Decease should refuse
taking my land on the above terms it is My will and desire that
My Executors sell my said land & Plantation for what price that
may be had for it and the money arising from the sale of said
land be equally divided between my abovev^s five sons as above
and upon my son David refusing the land as above mentioned
I do hereby empower my Executors to sell my said land and give
Deed for it

I Give and Bequeath to my son Abisha one negroe boy call^d Plato to
him his heirs and assigns forever

I Give and Bequeath to my Daughter Hannah the following
negroes Sophia and Sue to her and the heirs of her Body lawfully
begotten

I Give and Bequeath to my Daughter Mary the two following negroes
Seth and Ben to her & the heirs of her Body lawfully begotten
My Will & Desire is that the remaining part of my Estate heretofore
not given be Equally divided between my five sons David
Thomas Beniah Amos & Abisha revoking all former wills
heretofore by me made I do hereunto and appoint my son David
my son Thomas and my son Beniah Executors to this my last
Will & Testament in Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand
and first my seal this eighth day of November in the year of our

Lord Christ one thousand seven hundred forty five

Signed sealed & Published by Wm. Gray J. T. S. Turner
in presence of J. Moore Bishop Jr. T. L. Turner

Bertie County, N.C. May Court 1776
Deed in open court and in form of
Law by the oaths of William Gray Esq^r. Steven Gray
and Moor Billups the three subscribing Witnesses
thereto and ordered to be registered by _____

Jno Johnston Esq^r