

I Thomas Turner of Bertie County at this
time very weak and low in health but thro:
the merciful providence of God retaining the
use of my Reason and being my do make
this my last Will and Testament. And in the
first place after recommending my soul to
God and my body to decent burial at the
discretion of my Executors I dispose of my
Worldly estate as follows. After payment
of the expenses of burial and Debt I give
the whole of my Estate to my Dear Wife
Catherine Turner and my tender and affec-
tional Mother Anne Turner one half to each
but in Case my wife Catherine should at
this time prove to be with Child I wish my
Estate to be divided equally between the said
Child my wife Catherine and my Mother
^{one third to each.}
otherwise the part given to my Mother in either
case I wish to be to her for the term of her
life and at her death to go to my wife
Catherine - or to my wife and the Child
of which she may now be pregnant, ^{equally} as
it may happen that she is pregnant or not

And if my Wife Catharine shall die without
leaving the Child of which she may now be
pregnant living at her Death then my
will is that so much of my estate as come
by her shall go to her relations or be disposed
of as she shall think proper And the
residue to Simon and Betsey Turner the
two orphan Children of my Brother William
Turner if then living and if not then living
to my other relations And to enable my
Executors to pay my Debts I authorize them
to sell or ~~sell~~ ^{convey} ~~sell~~ ^{convey} as they may deem
most advisable all or any part of my
negroes except the woman Rose the Boy
Adele and Girl Hannah which three
negroes I give to my Wife Catharine in
part of her portion or before described
I wish my Executors also to sell my Horse
La Gule. I wish them also to sell that part
of the Land bot of my Brother William Tur-
ner's Executors which lies on the West side
of the Road, my share in Lots in Wilmamston
and to make title for my share of the Mick

Leat and make as contracts for by me to
General William Williams. My Wife further
is that my Executors use their discretion as to
the sale of my Negroes and other felt them to
pay my debts or keep them together that the
debts may be paid from the profits of their
Labor. Lastly I manicate and appoint my
two Friends and Brothers David Stone
and Simon Turner Executors of this my
last Will and Testament. In Testimony where-
of I have hereunto set my hand and affixed
my seal this 23^d day of February in the year
of our Lord one thousand eight hundred
and ten. Thomas 

Wm. Spivy x
J. Pugh x


State of North Carolina }
Catawba County Court } May Term 1810
This last Will & Testament
of Thomas Turner dec^d was exhibited to
Court by David Stone Simon Turner Executors
the Executors therein named, and the Ex-
ecution thereof proved in due form of Law
by the Oaths of Jonathan Spivy & Joseph
Pugh the subscribing Witnesses thereto
whereupon it was ordered that the same

be recorded and the said Executors
having satisfied acriable to Law it
is ordered that Letters Testamentary
shall issue to the said Executors from the
Court of Probate.

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