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NORTH CAROLINA STATE ARCHIVES, RALEIGH, N. C.

Testes John Lapierre
W. Wilson

The mark of
Adam A. Moore

providd by the oath of the Subscribers John
Lapierre and W. William Wilson this 15 day
of Decr anno Dom 1741
Recorded this 5. day of Feby 1741

Test
Shoulledge Regist^r

North Carolina
Craven County
The Honcupative Will of John Bryan Deceased
Whereas John Bryan of Beards Creek late of the province
being taken for Death the day & year hereafter mention-
ed & having no body convenient to write his last Will & Testament
and he the said John Bryan being in his proper & right senses and of
sound & perfect mind & memory did earnestly ~~desire~~ Request & Desire
that this following Honcupative Will should be his last Will & Testament
having no other Wills or Testaments by him made or living by him
therefore he Left & Bequeathed his affairs Moveables & Estate as follows

Imprimis that all his Just Debt should be paid — 1211
Secondly he did give & bequeath to his Son Lewis Bryan the Plantation
wherein he the Deceased did live. Lying on Beard Creek to him
his heirs & his heirs for ever —
Thirdly he the said Deceased viz John Bryan as abovesd did give & bequeath
to his Daughter Sarah Bryan three Negroes viz two fellows & one
wench the fellows names Hobbs & Judger The wench name Bess
with all the ^{stock of} horses mares Cattle Sheep Hogs & of every sort & parcel
of all his personall Estate withall his Moveables whatsoever which
he the said John Bryan was possessed with in his Life time
he did give & bequeath the abovesd Negroes & Personal Estate to his
said Daughter Sarah Bryan to her her heirs & assigns for ever
Fourthly he the said John Bryan not withstanding did ordain & appoint that as
he the said John did in the third Article of his will as abovesd
give & bequeath to his abovesd Daughter Sarah three Negroes and all
his personall Estate as abovesd that she the said Sarah should Educate
& bring up his small Children being three in Number till such times
as they arrive to the age of Maturity

Given the first 1741 the above will was proved before me one of his Majesties
his Justices for the Peace of the said County upon the holy Evangelist of
Almighty God by the Solemn Affidavit of John Jacob Glover & William
Red Scot who both heard the said Deceased earnestly desire & express that
the above will now committed to writing should stand valid & be his
will & Testament Therefore as above the said will is ^{as proved} ~~as proved~~
~~that~~ as the law directs such wills should be proved & within
the term of time prescribed by law after the said Deceaseds Death —

Testes Jⁿ Shum Jr. — J

And the Evidences likewise declare
upon oath that the said Deceased departed
this life the 31st day of October 1741
& did appoint his Daughter Sarah
Bryan his whole & sole Executrix of
his last will & Testament

Indenture made the Ninth Day of December in the year
of our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred & Forty One. Between Walter
Lane of Caswell County in the Province of North Carolina Subholder of
the one part and William Wilson of the County & Province aforesd
sq^t of the other Part Witnesseth that the said Walter Lane for and
in consideration of the sum of two hundred & fifty pounds law
money to him in hand paid by the said William Wilson the rec^d
whereof the said Walter Lane doth hereby acknowledge in the
said Walter Lane hath Bargained and Sold