

DUGGAN, JOHN

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In the name of God amen: The 3d. day of March 1763 I **John Duggan** of the County of Tyrrel and province of North Carolina Planter being very sick and weak in body but in perfect mind and memory thanks be given unto God therefore calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament that is to say principally and first of all I give and recommend my soul into the hands of God that gave it and my body I recommend to the Earth to be buried in a decent Christian buriel at the durement of my Executors nothing doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God and as touching such worldly Estate where with it hath pleased God to bless me in this life I give demise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form --- And my Will is that whatever of my Estate that I have not given by Lagices to be equally divided amongst them all except some few things that I intend to give.

Imprimis - I give and bequeath to my well beloved **John** whome I slao constitute and ordain my Executor certain tract or parcel of land called and known by the name of the Poplar Neck and all the cattell and other creatures known to be his by name and a feather beed ---

Item - I give to my well beloved son **William** a certain tract or parcel of land lying below the manner plantation known by the name of the level from along flat bottom joining the plantation and downwards and one feather beed with what creatures belongs to him ---

Item - I give to my well beloved son **Lanier** a certain tract or parcel of land in the Piney woods formerly known by the name of Hases old fields & a parcel of ground lying over the branch above the manner plantation from some part of the sd. Branch to a small branch that makes out of the gum swamp and all the creatures known to be his and a feather beed and a large iron pot and my riding mair and her yearling horse and my best gun and riding saddle and also twenty pounds in money and also adjoining to that in the pine woods 200 acres of land more to **Lanier**.

Item - I give my well beloved son **Aron** my manner plantation with all the land remaining from what the others hath appointed them and to **Josiah** to be equally divided between them and each of them a beed if either of them two should decease having no heir theother to possess the whole of the land and also to each of them twenty pounds in money and if **Josiah** should die with this descap for the whole in - money that is to say the sixty mentioned to be **Linears**.

Item - I give to my will beloved son in law **William Himan** a certain tract or parcel of known by the name of Bales Island --- and I also appoint **William Hymond** for ye other Executor.

Item - I give to my well beloved daughter **Elizabeth** one feather beed and one disk one maire and two young horses and also what cattle are to be found that are my property to be equally divided between she and the three younger girls ---

Item - I give to my well beloved daughter **Milicent** two gray mairs to be divided See and Ann and to each of the three small girls 2 pewter basons of the best apiece and 5 plates apiece and one young Rone Maire to **Rehoda**.

And my Will and desire is that each and every of my four sons have an equal rite priviledge of a certain or parcel of land lying on the north side Roanoak River containing one hundred acres in Bartie County and likewise that in case either of my three sons **John** or **William** or **Aron** should decease without heir that my son **Lanier** shall chuse if her will have the land of the deceased and his land to be eaqually divided amongst them all and I hereby utterly disallow revoak and disannul all and every orther former Testaments Wills Lagices and Bequests and Executors by me in any ways before named and bequeathed ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and declared by the said **John Duggan** as his last Will and Testament in the presence of us the subscribers.

John Duggan (Seal)

John Swain
William Hymon
William Hooks

Recorded by Fr. Ward Clerk