

WILLIAM BARROW'S WILL.

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN, I, William Barrow, of ye precinct of Hide, in ye County of Bath, in ye Prove. of North Carolina, being Sick & weak of Body but of sound and perfect mind & memory and Calling to mind ye Certainty of Death and not knowing when it may pleas ye Lord to Call mee out of this life do make and ordaine & appoynt this my last Will and Testament, in maner and forme following:

Imp: I give, devise & bequeath to my three Sons, William, John & Richard Barrow, my Plantation whereon I now live, Containing ffouerteen hundred Acres of land more or les, to be Equally devided between my afsd. three Sons, that is my Eldest Son William Barrow to have ye maner Plantation whereon I now live after my Wifes Dec: to be held of them & Every of them their heirs and assignes in fee simple for ever.

Itm. I give devise & bequeath to my Other three Sons, Samuel, Joseph and James Barrow, all my Tract of Land lying & being upon Broad Creeke Containeing one Thousand Acres of land more or les, to be Equally devided between my sd. three Sons namd: Samuel, Joseph & Jams. Barrow to be held of them, their heirs & assignes Severally, In fee simple for ever.

Itm. I give and bequeath to my Son, William Barrow, all and every part of my Smithe tools, and my longest Gun or fouleing peace to be at his disposall when he shall attaine to ye: age of one & twenty years.

Itm. I give and bequeath to my Son, John, all & Every part of my Coopers tooles, and my Shortest gun to be at his disposall when he shall attaine to ye age of twenty one years.

Itm. All the rest & residue of my Estate over & above ye legasies before given So Comeing & remaineing boath personall & reall, the one third part of which so rising I give to my Loveing wife Eliz. Barrow, and ye remaineing part after her full one third part so taken oute I give & bequeath to my six Sons before named & to my two Daughrs Ann & Sarah Barrow to be Equally Divided among my sd. Six Sons & two Daughs. to be at their disposall, that in my sd. Six Sons afsd. as they shall respectively attaine to ye age of twenty one years & my two Daughs: to have at ye age of Eighteen Years or ye day of marriage.

Itm. My Will & desire is that my Lov. Wife, Eliz. Barrow, have the use and ocquepation of my plantation whereon I now live together with all houses, orchards & all other Conveniaces there unto belonging with oute Molestation or Incumbrance dureing her naturall life and after her dec: then to my son, William Barrow, his heirs for ever more as afsd. that is, my will & desire is that my sd. three Sons, William, John and Richard Barrow, Shall not be hendered or debarred from Seating

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on Convenient parts of ye sd. Lands so given them when they shall attain Respectively to ye age of twenty one Years.

Itm. I doe appoynt my Loveing wife, Eliz. Barrow, and my Son, William, to be Joynt Execs. of this my last will & Testament as witness my hand & Seal this 8th. Day of Jan'ry, 1715.

W. BARROW. (Seal)

THOS. BONNER,

THO. MARTIN,

JNO. PORTER.

This may Certifye That on the 23d. Day of Octo., 1716. The above written will was proved by the Oath off John Porter.

before me,

GALE, Ch: Just.

Eliz. Barrow one of Exrs. within & above mencond took the Oath for prformance of ye before written will
in presence of:

GALE, Ch: Just

Copied from Original Will filed in Office of the Secretary of State.