

WILL OF JOHN BARROW - 1718

In the Name of God Amen I John Barrow Senr of Perquimans (can't read) In (can't read) province of North Carolina being weak of body but of Sound & perfect memory Thanks be to God for the Same & calling to mind (can't read) mortality of Body & knowing it is appointed for all men & women (can't read) Do make and ordain this my last will & Testament revoking all other Will or Wills by me made and this only to stand- Imp I will all my just debts & contract be duly paid by my Exec here after Named Imp I give & bequeath to my Daughter Joanah Williams five pounds & twelve pence in full of her share of all my substance as a Childs part Imp I give & bequeath unto my Son John & my Son Joseph my manor or Plantation & tract of Land whereon I now live and to begin to divide (can't read) Creek between my son John's & J. at the branch and (can't read) along it as it goes. Imp I give to my Son Joseph two hundred & twenty acres joining upon the former Tract (can't read) I give to my Son Joseph my Negro boy named Sambo. Imp I give unto my Son James a Tract of Land he now lives on containing three hundred acres & all (can't read) have their of my Negro woman & one Negro lad named Tom & one child named Sam & my great Chest & what is therein & one small chest in my room with a Lock & Key to it & all is therein and further to my Son James my old Horse & a new bridle and one Negro girl named Rooth. Imp I give to John Midleton one Cow & her Increase Imp I give unto my Two Sons James & Joseph Barrow all thereof of my Estate as also the foregoing imprimsee to them their heirs (can't read) And further I do hereby appoint my Two Sons – James & Joseph my Sole Extre of this my last will & Testament In confirmation of all & Singular above written I have here unto set my hand & Fixed my Seale this first day of March Anno 1717/18 Francis Smith Jurat Aug 2y x 1718 Charles Eden Esq John Barrow (his mark) Signum Proved before me by the oath Copira Vera Of Francis Smith Charles Eden Test (can't read) North Carolina (can't read) It being certified to me that John Barrow – late of this Province is Dead and hath made and put his Last Will and Testament in Writing a hue copy wereof is hereunto Annexed and hath therein nominated and appointed Joseph & James Barrow to be his Exec. These are therefore to Impower the said Jos & James Barrow to enter in and upon all and Singular the Goods and Chattells Rights and Credits of the said John Barrow where ever to be found in this Province and the same into H Possession to take and a True Inventor thereof appraised according to Law to return unto the Sec Office within Sixty dayes after the date thereof and the same to dispose of as by the said Will is appointed. Given unto my hand & the Seale of - (can't read) This 2d day of August Anno Dom 1718 Charles Eden