

Will, NC, Bertie, Robert Braswell 1734

In the name of God Amen.

I **ROBERT BRASWELL** of Bertie Precinct in North Carolina being sick and weak of body but of sound sense and memory thanks be to God and to make an ordained this to be my last will and testament in matter and form following viz.

FIRST I bequeath my soul into the hands of almighty God that gave me and my body to be decently, after the discretion of my executor, who are here after named, and as for my worldly Goods that it hath pleased God to bestow on me I dispose of in the manner and form following.

FIRST and IMPRIMIS I give and bequeath to my daughter **SARAH DAUGHTRY** one large iron pot.

ITEM I give to my loving son **ROBERT BRASWELL** my young grey horse and my negro man named **BISCOE**.

ITEM I give unto my loving son **JOHN BRASWELL** my negro man named **SQUASH** and a young man.

ITEM I give to my loving son **RICHARD BRASWELL** the plantation where am I now live with three hundred acres of land adjoining to it on Yourah swamp.

ITEM I give to my son **VALENTINE BRASWELL** 100 acres of land that I took up myself that lyeth adjoining to **THOMAS SEALEY's** line, and mare of four years old.

ITEM I give to my loving daughter **JEAN BRASWELL** one negro boy named **POMPIE** and the featherbed and all its furniture as it was the one I lie on and two cows and calves.

ITEM I give to my daughter **MARY BRASWELL** the featherbed and all its furniture as it stands and cows and calves moreover it be the bed where on she lies.

ITEM I give to my god son **DENICE SUMNER** One Plantation and 100 acres of land to it which said land I bought of **GORE DOWNING** and his adjoining to land of **NICHOLAS SESSIONS** and one iron pot and one cow and calf which is now in the possession of his mother **ELIZABETH SUMNER**.

ITEM I give to my **JOHN BRASWELL** one Young iron gray horse.

ITEM I give and bequeath to my loving wife **SARAH BRASWELL**, after my lawful debts paid off, the remainder of my estate both with and without doors to her and her disposing forever.

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And LASTLY I nominate and appoint my loving friends **JAMES BRYANT** and **JOSHUA DAUGHTRY** to be my executors of this my last will and testament revoking and making entirely avoid all of the wheels by me made.

In witness whereof I have here on to set my hand and seal this fourteenth day of September 1734.

ROBERT BRASWELL {seal, his R mark}

Test

THOMAS BRYANT jurat

NICHOLAS BAGOT {his N mark}

PATIENCE BRYANT {her P mark}

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November Court 1736

The above written will of **ROBERT BRASWELL** was proved in open court by the oath of **THOMAS BRYANT** one of the subscribing witnesses thereto and also **JAMES BRYANT** one of the executives there in named took the oath by law required
test **JOHN WYNNS**, clerk of court