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Special Proceedings Docket Cumberland County, N. C.

## JOSEPH MATTHEWS

Jan. 1791

## Will, NC, Cumberland, Joseph Matthews 1791

In the name of God, Amen

I, **JOSEPH MATTHEWS**, of Cumberland County and state of North Carolina, being very sick but of sound mind and good memory and knowing that it is appointed for all men to die, I do make and ordain this as my last will and testament, revoking all other wills heretofore by me made.

ITEM My will and desire is for all my just debts and funeral expenses be first paid and discharged.

ITEM I give and bequeath unto my son **JACOB MATTHEWS** five shillings to him and his heirs forever.

ITEM I give and bequeath unto my daughter **MARTHA MATTHEWS** [SMITH] five shillings to him and his heirs forever.

ITEM I give and bequeath unto my son **JOSEPH MATTHEWS** five shillings to him and his heirs forever.

ITEM I give and bequeath unto my daughter **HESTER MATTHEWS [JOHNSTON]** five shillings to him and his heirs forever.

ITEM I give and bequeath unto my son **HARDY MATTHEWS** the whole of my carpenter's tools and likewise the brandy that he is owing of me to pay my just debts out of and what remains to be for his own use to him and his heirs forever.

ITEM I give and bequeath unto daughter **PLEASANT MATTHEWS THOMAS** five shillings to her and her heirs forever.

ITEM I give and bequeath unto MATTHEW JINKS one filly to him and his heirs forever.

ITEM I give and bequeath unto my dear and well beloved wife **ANN MATTHEWS** one bed and furniture, thirteen head of hogs, six head of cattle, five head of sheep, one chest and chirne ???, one saddle and bridle, and one pair of sheep shears, one hundred and fifty acres of land lying and being in the county of Cumberland and joining **SOLOMON PORCH's** line an **SIMON JOHNSTON** and the line formerly called **HART's** line all the aforesaid articles above mentioned.

I give unto my wife, during her natural life or widowhood, and at her death or marriage then to be equally divided between her four sons: **JOSEPH JINKS**, **MATTHEW JINKS**, **BURRELL JINKS** and **JOHN JINKS** to them and to their heirs forever.

**JOSEPH MATTHEWS** {seal, his M mark}

SOLOMON PORCH HENRY KNIGHT FRANCIS DORTON {his + mark}

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