Will, NC, Cumberland, Thomas Armstrong 1801

In the name of God Amen

I **THOMAS ARMSTRONG** of the county of Cumberland being weak and body but of sound mind and memory and calling to mind that it is appointed for all men once to die do make an ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following viz:

1st I give and bequeath to my wife **JANET ARMSTRONG** the plantation, whereon I now live, with all the plantation tools, stock of sheep and Hogs, also twelve milch cows and calves and ten head of young cattle, such as she may choose or pick out of any stock, with the sorrel mare that I bought in Moore County with the following Negroes, viz: PETER, MARY with their two children, PRINCE and MAGGIE, also all the household Furniture except five beds and furniture which will be devised hereafter, to her and her heirs forever.

I also leave for the purpose and soul use of the plantation the following horses viz. A Sorrel mare known by the name of McIver mare, the young bay horse, and the Jack horse and the mare I bought at the **WIDOW ARMSTRONG**'s sale with a yoke of young steer to be broke for oxen the ox cart horse cart with the best wagon and gears.

2nd I give and bequeath to my son **WILLIAM ARMSTRONG** five hundred acres of land at the Folly also four Negroes, viz: old DERRY, PEG, TONY and JUDE also one bay colt Poll Hodges, two years old next spring with a bed and Furniture to him and his heirs forever.

3rd I give and bequeath to my son JOHN ARMSTRONG a tract of two hundred acres of land which I purchased at sale of THOMAS RUTHERFORD and three hundred and twenty acres that I bought from ROBINSON MUMFORD known by the name of the Burnt Cane also the following Negroes, viz: Daniel, little Peter, and DICK (JUDE's son), and also the sorrel mares colt and year old with a bed and Furniture to him in his heirs forever.

4th I give and bequeath to my son **FARQUHAR CAMPBELL ARMSTRONG** six hundred and forty acres of land on the back of the plantation where on I now live not to be fenced or used in any manner until he is of age also the following Negroes, viz: [torn] and one bed and Furniture to him and his heirs forever.

5th I give and bequeath to my son **THOMAS ARMSTRONG** two tracks or pieces of land the one I bought from **DUNCAN BUIE** and the other from **BENJAMIN HADLY** containing in all about two hundred and thirty Acres also the following Negroes, viz: SAM, SIMON, and ISAAC, with a bed and Furniture to him and his heirs forever.

6th I give and bequeath to my daughter **ISABELL ARMSTRONG** five hundred acres of land over the river opposite where I now live to be the same more or less with the following condition: Whereas I bargained verbally with **JOHN SUTTON** for two hundred Acres of said land of the upper side for and in consideration of the sum of four hundred dollars to be paid in five years, two years of which time will be passed on the first day of January 1802, he, the said **JOHN SUTTON**, also paying the sum of ten dollars yearly, that is on the first day of January and each year, for the rent or use of the said Plantation until the time agreed between us expires.

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Now if the said John Sutton complies punctually with said bargain in paying the money I hereby empower and direct my executors to make him a title for said land, but in case of failure to be and remain as above directed to my daughter **ISABELL** and in case the money should be paid by the said **JOHN SUTTON**, the same to be considered as part of her legacy. I also give her the following Negroes, viz: GLASGOW, LITTLE DERRY, and HANNAH with one eyed colt or filly and a bed and Furniture to her and her heirs forever.

7th I give and bequeath to miss **ISABELL MCNEILL** three cows and calves to be at her sole use and disposal.

8th I also will and devise that my executor is to execute a deed or title to FARQUHAR CAMPBELL and SAMUEL WILLIAMS when the same shall be surveyed and laid off about eighty acres line between Carvers Creek and the Beaver Dam Branch or greens Creek when the said CAMPBELL and WILLIAMS pays at the rate of 20 Shillings and acre for the same.

9th I further will and desire that the residue of my property both real and personal be sold by executive at public sale on a credit of six months and the money arising from the sale to be applied to the payment of my chest debts and what remains over and above paying my debts to be let out on interest until the heirs become of age.

10th I constitute an appointment wife **JANET ARMSTRONG** and my son **WILLIAM ARMSTRONG** executors of this, my last will, revoking and disannulling all Wills by me heretofore made. Constituting ordaining and Publishing this as my last will and testament.

In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and affix my seal this year of Our Lord eighteen hundred and one and on the 19th day of December.

The word Williams interlined before signing.

THOMAS ARMSTRONG seal

Signed sealed and published in the presence of

HECTOR MCALISTER FARQUHAR CAMPBELL HARRY WILLIAMS

Codicil:

Having neglected or emitted some things in the foregoing I now insert them by devising as follows viz I hereby direct and Empower my executor to execute a title to Nathan King for 150 acres of land below Carvers Creek known by the name of Green's place on his paying to them 150 Spanish Mill dollars for the same.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 20th day of December in the year of Our Lord 1801

DUNCAN BUIE, JP

State of North Carolina Cumberland County

Then was the will proved by **HECTOR MCALISTER** and **FARQUHAR CAMPBELL** to the subscribing witnesses and ordered to be recorded.

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