

Will, NC, Tryon, David Robertson 1771

In the name of God Amen.

**DAVID ROBERTSON** of Tryon County in the province of North Carolina considering the uncertainty of this Mortal state at the same time being of perfect understanding and sound memory thinks therefore to almighty God do this 8th day of July Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and seventy one make and publish this my last will and testament in Manner and form following, that is to say.

IMPRIMIS I resign my soul to God that gave it and my body to be buried in a Christian like and decent manner, after the discretion of my executor, and as touching my worldly estate wear with it hath pleased God to bless me in this life I devise and dispose of the same in the following manner viz.

I give to my well-beloved wife **FRANCES ROBERTSON** during the time of her life her widowhood four hundred acres of land line in the county above-mentioned and being the land where am I now live, also one negro boy named **GEORGE** together with all my horses, cattle, hogs, beds and all other household goods not to be wasted or empezzled. And my will and desire is that after the death or marriage of my well-beloved wife **FRANCES ROBERTSON** that all my estate principle and personal be sold and equally divided among my well-beloved children **MATTHEW ROBERTSON, MOLLY ROBERTSON, ISRAEL ROBERTSON, ISAAC ROBERTSON, ISHAM ROBERTSON, JAMES ROBERTSON, DAVID ROBERTSON, ABNER ROBERTSON, SALLY ROBERTSON, JOHN ROBERTSON,** and **BETTY ROBERTSON.**

And as touching the estate of my brother **CHARLES ROBERTSON** that I have obtained by execution I give to **GEORGE ROBERTSON** the youngest son of my brother **CHARLES**, that is to say after the said estate pays to my wife 70 pounds Virginia money and discharges the execution and attachment that I stand bonded for my brother **CHARLES ROBERTSON**, then the remainder to return into the hands of the said **GEORGE ROBERTSON**, the youngest son of my brother **CHARLES ROBERTSON**, and if he should die I give the same to my next youngest brother of his to him and his heirs. And my will and desire is that such estate remain in the hands of my brother **CHARLES ROBERTSON** until such son comes of age.

And I do acknowledge this to be my last will and testament confirming this and no other to be my last will and testament.

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And I constitute and appoint & ordain **IRBY DEWBERRY, FRANCES ROBERTSON** my well-beloved wife, and **WILLIAM MARCHBANKS** my whole and soul executives of this my last will and testament.

**DAVID ROBERTSON** {seal}

test

**VARDRY MCBEE**

**ADAM BURCHFIELD** {his mark}

**MATTHEW ROBERTSON** {his mark}

**WILLIAM ARVIN**

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North Carolina  
Tryon County

October Court A. D. 1771

To wit.

This is to certify that the within will was proved in open court by the oath of **VERDRY MAGBY** and recorded in the clerk's office according to law.

signed **EZEKIEL POLK**, CC

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I do hereby certify before going to be a true copy of the last will and testament of **DAVID ROBERTSON** together with the clerk's certificate therein certified at office the 8th day of December 1774.

test **ANDREW NEEL**, CC