

Will, NC, Granville, William Rieves 1751

In the name of God Amen.

I **WILLIAM RIEVES** of Granville County in the province of North Carolina being sick but a perfect mind and memory calling to mind that it is appointed by almighty God for all men to die, I therefore knowing my last to be as all men, I do therefore make & ordain this present writing to be my last will and testament, and my body I commit to the ground to be buried in a Christian and decent like manner at the discretion of my executors hereafter named and my soul into the hands of God that gave it.

And as touching such worldly estate as it has pleased God to bless me with I give and bequeath in Manor in form following.

IMPRIMIS I give and bequeath to my son **WILLIAM RIEVES** one shilling Sterling.

ITEM I give and bequeath to my wife **MARGARET [BURGESS] RIEVES** one shilling Sterling in lieu of her dower of thirds.

ITEM I give and bequeath to my loving son **JAMES RIEVES** for his kind favors one negro boy named chance to him and his ears forever.

ITEM I give and bequeath to my son **BENJAMIN RIEVES** one shilling Sterling.

ITEMS I give him the quickest to my son **BURGESS RIEVES** one shilling Sterling.

ITEM I give and bequeath to my daughter **ANN RIEVES** one shilling Sterling.

ITEM my will and desire is that all the rest of my estate all of my negroes and stock and cattle and Hogs and horses and sheep and all my household goods and land with all my state both real and personal be sold at a for sale by my executors and the money arising there from the equally divided between my sons daughters Hereafter named viz:

JAMES RIEVES, MALACHI RIEVES, ISAAC RIEVES, ELIZABETH [RIEVES] HODGE, MARY [RIEVES] CARPENTER, SARAH [RIEVES] HICKS and OLIVE RIEVES

ITEM it is my will and desire. **JAMES RIEVES** and **MALACHI RIEVES** be my executor to this my last will and testament and do here by these present this present writing make void all other Wills by me made and do hereby acknowledge this and none other to be my last will.

As witness my hand and seal this second day of August 1751.

WILLIAM RIEVES {seal, his W mark}

Test

WILLIAM HICKS
JONATHAN WHITE

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At a Court held for Granville County at the courthouse December 3rd 1751 the within last will and testament of **WILLIAM RIEVES** deceased was proved in court by oath of **JONATHAN WHITE** Esquire and **WILLIAM HICKS** and on motion ordered to be recorded, which **MARGARET RIEVES** relict of ye said **WILLIAM RIEVES** objected. **JAMES RIEVES** and Malachi Rieves qualified as executor.

Test **DANIEL WELDON** CC

Recorded by **DANIEL WELDON** CC

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