

**Will, NC, Johnston, Richard Ingram 1781**

In the name of God, Amen.

I **RICHARD INGRAM** of Johnston County and state of North Carolina being at this time in a low state of health but of sound mind & memory, but calling to mind the mortality of body & that it is appointed for all men once to die to make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following, that is to say first and principally, first of all I recommend my soul into the hands of God that gave it as for my body I commit it to the earth to be buried in a decent manner and discretion of my executors, but regarding my worldly estate with which it hath pleased God to bless me with I dispose of it in the following manner.

IN THE FIRST PLACE I desire that all my just debts & funeral charges be fully satisfied and paid.

IN PRIMIS I lend to my well beloved wife **ANNE INGRAM** the plantation whereon I now live and all my personal estate for her to be possessed with and enjoy during her widowhood, also four Negroes: VIOLET, RACHEL, TOM & PENNY, also my stock of horses, cattle & hogs, all the above mentioned property these I lend to my beloved wife during her widowhood.

ITEM I give and bequeath unto my son **JOHN INGRAM** seventy five acres of land, more or less, share in REHAS plantation and one negro girl called BENA & one negro boy called TOM to him and his heirs forever.

ITEM I give and bequeath unto my son **ABNER INGRAM** one negro boy called TONEY also the first young negro that is raised and if there is never a one raised the value of one made out of my stock after my wife's enjoyment be expired, to him & his heirs forever.

ITEM I give and bequeath unto my son **WILLIAM INGRAM** two hundred acres of land whereon he has improvements & seventy five acres of land whereon I now live with all my improvements thereon and one negro boy called BOSTON and one negro wench called SILET to him and his heirs forever.

ITEM I give and bequeath unto my daughter **PHERIBY LEE** two Negroes NEL & FILLIS to be her and her heirs forever.

ITEM I give and bequeath unto my daughter **MARY LEE** two Negroes a boy & girl PEN & CALAP to her and her heirs forever.

ITEM I give and bequeath unto my daughter **ELIZABETH AVERA** [Averea] two Negroes a boy & a girl called PETER & SAUL to her and her heirs forever.

ITEM I give and bequeath unto my daughter **ZILPAH AVERA** [Averea] two Negroes girls called TENA & RACHEL to her and her heirs forever.

ITEM I will the remaining part of my estate after my wife's widowhood to be equally divided amongst my children above named to be equally divided by my executors hereof named.

AND I do hereby appoint my sons, **JOHN INGRAM** and **WILLIAM INGRAM**, to be my whole and sole executors of this my last will and testament, utterly revoking & disannulling all other and former wills and testaments by me before made.

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In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 5<sup>th</sup> day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty.

**RICHARD INGRAM** {seal, his I mark}

Signed, seal in the presents of us, by the said **RICHARD INGRAM** as his last wills and testament in presents of us the subscribers.

**SHADRACH INGRAM**  
**WILLIAM AVERA**  
**SAM AVERA**

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