

North Carolina In the Name of god Amen  
Twenty sixth day of April in the year of our lord  
Seven Hundred and Ninety three I Joseph Tingle  
Craven planter being sick and weak of body  
Perfect Mind and memory thanks be there fore  
To almighty god Calling to mind the mortality  
of my body and knowing that it is Appointed for all  
to die I do make and ordain this my last will  
Testament that is to say principally and first of all  
I give and Recommend my soul into the hands of god that  
gave it And for my body I Recommend it to the Earth to be  
Buried at a christian and Decent like manner at the  
Discretion of my Executors hereafter named Nothing doubting  
But that at the general Resurrection I shall receive the  
same again by the mighty power of god and as touch  
ing such worldly Estate as it hath pleased almighty  
To bless me with I give and bequeath in manner and form  
Following that is to say after all my Just debts is paid  
Item I lend to my loving wife my plantation Whereon I now  
Live and Two hundred and fifty Acres of land During her life  
or widowhood like wise I lend to my loving may all my Negroes  
and all my moveable Estate to make use of During her life  
or widowhood Item I give and bequeath to my three  
youngest sons Thadrick & Thomas and Perry the <sup>my</sup> ~~upper~~  
land to be Equally divided between them Perry to have  
the plantation part and Thomas joining him and Thadrick  
To have the upper part to them and their heirs for ever  
Item I give and bequeath to my son Perry one Negro boy  
Named Nathan to him and his heirs for ever Item I  
Give and bequeath to my son Loyal all the things

I have let him have since he went to house  
to him and his heirs forever Item I give and  
bequeath to my two sons Joseph and David one negro  
and assigne asy to them and their heirs for ever Item  
and bequeath to my Daug sedney one negro  
Named Bett to hir during hir life and then  
to his heirs forever Item I give and bequeath to my  
Daughter Sally one Negro gawl Named mimy  
during hir life and then to hir heirs forever  
Item I give and bequeath to my two sons Shadrach  
and Thomas one Negro Woman Named Cate to them  
and their heirs forever Item I give and bequeath to  
my son Thomas one Cow and half and one Heffer to him  
and his heirs forever Item I give and bequeath to my  
Daughter Sally Two heffers to hir and hir heirs  
Forever Item I give and bequeath to my son Perry one  
Cow and half to him and his heirs forever Item I give  
and bequeath to my two sons Joseph and David and my  
Daughter Lucrey Lotton all the Cattle and all  
that I let them have at their going to house keeping  
To them and their heirs forever Item I give and bequeath  
to my three youngest sons Shadrach and Thomas and  
Perr and my two youngest Daughters sedney and Sally  
All my moveable Estate to be Equally Divided  
Between them five To them and their heirs forever  
and I do leve make ordain constitute and appoint  
my two sons David and Shadrach Single Executors  
of this my last will and testament hereby -  
Revoking and disannulling all former Wills -

And Bequeaths By me made and sealed  
This only to be my last Will and Testament  
Witness Whereof I have Hereunto set my hand and  
seal the Day and year above Written  
Sealed and delivered Published and  
As my last Will and Testament

In the Presence of us —

Joseph Barney & Joseph F. Fingle  
John Herrington

20<sup>th</sup> 20.

State of N. Carolina.

September Craven County Court 1793  
Then was the Last Will & Testament of Joseph  
Fingle read, produced in Open Court and proved by  
the Oath of Joseph Barney one of the subscribers  
Witnesses thereto, agreeable to Law, and at the same  
time David & Shadrack Fingle the Executors therein  
named, appeared in Court, and Qualified as  
Just. Whereupon ordered that Letters Testamentary  
issue.

Attest Saml Chapman

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