

WILLIAM LITTLE'S WILL

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN: I, William Little, of North Carolina, do make this my last will & Testament, trusting in Gods great Mercy for my Everlasting State.

Imprim's, I make my dear & loving wife, Penelope Little, my good friends, Christopher Gale, Edmond Gale & Edward Salter, and my brother, John Arbuthnot, Exec's. of this my last will & Testament; and I do hereby give & bequeath to my loving wife Penelope Little, her heirs & assigns, my house in Edenton lately leased to mr. Rice, together with ye gardens, outhouses, pastures, & all the lands, and all appurtenances; She discharging ye hundred pound taken up of ye publick, for which it is mortgaged; also, I give to my sd. wife my negros, Harry, Daniel, Phoebe, Maggy and her child Phibby, & my best horse, and one half of my household goods & furniture; the other half I give to my Daughter, Penelope Little; also, I give to my sd. Daughter, Penelope Little, & her heirs and assigns, my half ye mill att Hoskins bridge near Edenton; & my half ye three tracts of lightwood land att meherrin, patented in John Bonds name, but I pay'd ye purchase & he is to make a title; also, I give my sd. Daughter, my negro Girl Hannah, and I appoint Christopher Gale, Esqr., Guardian of my sd. Daughter, & I do hereby Impower him, or on his decease, ye Survivors of my Exrs. Such of them as shall be in Carolina, to Sell any of her Estate, real or personal, if thought for her benefit, & I would have her still kept at Boston & maintained out of ye Income of her mill, and what Can be made of ye light wood lands & other Estate.

Also, I give my Son, George Little, his heirs & assigns, all my lands in meherrin neck, with what Stock is, or shall, at my decease be thereon, Including also ye land whereon Tayler lived adjacent to ye sd. neck, and whereas in my purchase patent for the sd. lands, there is Included some lands of the Poweys & others, with intent to buy their right out, my will is that out of my debts (or goods to hereafter sold), that are due to me if it shall more than pay ye Debts I owe, that my Excers. therewith, if to be done at a moderate price, do buy out the Same, or what they can thereof, & if John Ryly wil quit his Claim there, I devise to ye sd. John Ryly & his heirs my land bought of John Badsey? near where Joseph Durds lived, but if not, then I devise ye Same to my Son, George, & his heirs, together with what shall be bought as afsd.

Also, I will that my books lent out, be got in, & all my books sold, & out of ye produce two negros to be bought, viz: one feild negro woman likely for breeding, whom I give to my