

In the name of God Amen the twenty fifth day of February One thousand Seven Hundred and forty Seven Eight I Philip Raisford Senr of Craven County Planter being in Low Condition of Body but of Perfect mind and Memory Knowing that it is

Appointed for all men Once to die do make and Ordain this my Last will and testament. In a particular manner I Recommend my Soul to God who gave it and my Body to be Decently Buried at the Discretion of my Executors which shall be here after named And as for my Estate Real and Personal I Dispose of it in the following manner Viz: Impresius I will that all my Lawfull and Just Debts be paid as soon as Conveniently may be done I give and Bequeath my Well Beloved Wife Martha Raisford ten Cows and Calves and there Inceps to be Disposed of by her at her pleasure when Ever it shall please God to Call her I Lend unto my well beloved Wife Martha Raisford During her Natural Life the Use of all my Slaves Consisting of three negro men Known by the names of Jameca Harry & Galbo four negro Boys named March Cato Jolly and Goney as also the Use of twenty Cows and Calves During the Summer Season for the term of four Years also all my Household furniture & <sup>moreover</sup> the two plantation Horses And if so be needed Required proved from the Stock. I give and Bequeath to my well beloved Wife Martha Raisford All the Incess Steers that is fitt for market During the above mentioned term of four years. I give and Bequeath my well beloved Son Isaac Raisford the plantation whereon I know live Consisting of part of the <sup>two</sup> tracks Containing five Hundred and fifty acres one negro boy named Joly five Cows and Calves two Hairs Known by the names of Leickes and Pacing Dun whom I will that he live with his mother During his minority. Item I give and Bequeath to my well beloved Daughter Ann Raisford five Cows and Calves to be paid by my Executors as soon possible after my Decease and in like manner a horse and a young mare I Give to my beloved Daughter Grace Raisford five Cows & Calves and

in like manner a young Horse and a mare. I give to my beloved Daughter patience Raisford five Cows and Calves and likewise a Horse and a mare I give and Bequeath to my well beloved Daughter Christian Raisford five Cows and Calves Likewise a Horse and a mare After the payment of all Legacies I will that all my Estate both Real and Personal be Appraised and Equally divided Amongst all my Children and Lastly to conclude I nominate and Appoint my Wife Martha and my Son Philip Raisford my Son in Law John Pearson Executors and Executors of this my Last Will and Testament. In witness hereof I have hereunto Sett my hand and Seal the day and Date Above Written Signed Sealed and Acknowledged } Philip Raisford (S)

in Presence of  
Thomas Hodge  
James Henderson  
John Handyside

This Will was Proved by Virtue of a Dedimus before Stephen Exele Esq to him Directed by the Oaths of Thomas Hodge & John Handyside two of the Witnesses to the Within Will also Qualified the Executors named in the within Will