

In the name of God Amen I David Robertson of Long County  
in the State of North Carolina do hereby certify the contents  
of this mortal State At the same time being of the sound  
standing and sound Memory Thenceforth to the Right  
God Do this 8th Day of July Anno Domini one thousand  
seven hundred & seventy five and just before this my  
last Will and Testament in manner and form following  
viz. As to my Conscience I resign my soul to God  
that gave it and my body is to be buried in a Christian  
like and Decent manner, after the direction of my Will  
and as touching my worldly Estate which with all hath  
pleased God to bless me in this life I devise and  
dispose of the same in the following manner Viz.  
I give to my well beloved Wife Frances Robertson  
during the time of her life or Widowhood <sup>in absence</sup> ~~and~~  
and does stand by in full and sole authority ~~and~~  
being the last whom I now live in Also one  
steer Boy named George together with all my  
Horses cattle Hogs, Bees and all other Household  
Goods not to be washed Employed and my  
Will and desire is that after the death or passing  
of my well beloved wife Frances Robertson that all  
my Estate, real and personal be sold  
and equally divided among my well beloved  
Children Mathew Robertson, Molly Robertson,  
Israel Robertson, Isaac Robertson, Leonard Robertson,  
James Robertson, David Robertson, Henry Robertson  
Sally Robertson, John Robertson, and Betty Robert  
son and as touching the Estate of my Brother  
Charles Robertson that I have obtained by her  
will I give to George Robertson the youngest of my  
Brother Charles children to my wife's eldest child  
and to my wife's daughter, Sarah Virginia Honey  
and to my wife's daughter, Elizabeth and Attachment

that I should be bound for my Brother Charles  
 Robertson, then the remainder to return into the  
 hands of the said George Robertson the youngest  
 son of my Brother Charles Robertson and if that  
 should die I give the same to the next young-  
 est Brother of his to him and his heirs And  
 my Will and Desires that such Estate remain  
 in the hands of my Brother Charles Robertson till  
 such Son comes of Age And as do know this  
 to be my last will and Testament con-  
 firming this and no other to be my last  
 Will and Testament And I constitute and  
 appoint and ordain My Doctor of Divinity Francis  
 Robertson my well beloved Wife and William  
 Karchbanks my whole sole Executors of this  
 my last Will and Testament

Test  
 David Robertson  
 David W. Coe  
 Adam H. Branchfield  
 Matthew Robertson  
 William Cowin

North Carolina to wit Orange County I D<sup>y</sup> 1771  
 before me upon Oath by the said Charles Robertson  
 Magistrate and recorded in the Clerk's Office  
 according to Law  
 (Signed) Elisha P. K. Coe  
 Orange County I do hereby certify the foregoing to be a  
 true copy of the last Will & Testament of the said Charles Robertson  
 together with the Oaths sworn to as therein certified at  
 Orange the 3<sup>rd</sup> Day of December 1771  
 Elisha P. K. Coe

**North Carolina State Archives Will No. 094.901.1**  
**Will for 124 David Robertson**

In the Name of God Amen. I David Robertson of Tryon County / in the Province of North Carolina considering the uncertainty / of this Mortal State At the same time being of perfect under / =standing and Sound Memory thanks therefore to Almighty / God Do this Eighth Day of July Anno Domini one thousand / Seven Hundred & Seventy One, make and publish this my / last Will and Testament in manner and form follow= / ing that is to say Imprimis I resign my Soul to God / that Gave it and my body to be Buried in a Christian / like and Decent manner after the discretion of my Exr. / and as touching my worldly Estate wherewith it hath / pleased God to bless me in this life I devise and / dispose of the Same in the following manner Viz, / I Give to my well beloved Wife Frances Robertson / during the time of her life or widowhood four hun= / dred acres of Land lying in the county abovesaid mentioned / [that] being the Land whereon I now live ~~on~~ Also One / Negro Boy Named George together with all my / Horses Cattle Hogs, Bed and all other Household / Goods not to be wasted or Empezled And my / Will and desire is that after the Death or Marriage / of my well beloved wife Frances Robertson that all / my Estate principle and and [sic] personal be Sold / and Equally Divided among my well beloved / Children Matthew Robertson, Molly Robertson, / Israel Robertson, Isaac Robertson, Isham Robertson, / James Robertson, David Robertson, Abner Robertson, / Sally Robertson, John Robertson, and Betty Robert / son and as touching the Estate of my Brother / Charles Robertson that I have obtained by Executi / =on, I Give to George Robertson the Youngest of my / Brother Charles that is to say after the said Estate / pays to my wife Seventy pounds Virginia Money / and discharges the Execution and Attachment / that /

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that I stand Bound for my Brother Charles / Robertson, then the remainder to return into the / hands of the said George Robertson the youngest / son of my Brother Charles Robertson and if he / should Die I give the same to the next Young / est Brother of his to him and his heirs And / my Will and Desire is that such Estate remain / in the hands of my Brother Charles Robeson [sic] till / such Son Comes of Age. And I do acknowledge / this to be my last will and Testament Con / firming this and no other to be my last / Will and Testament And I Constitute ~~ord~~ and / appoint and ordain Irby Dewberry Frances [sic] / Robertson my well beloved Wife and William / Marchbanks my whole & Sole Executors of this / my last Will and Testament.

Test

Vardry McBee

David Robertson

Adam (his v mark) Burchfield

Matthew (his T mark) Robertson

William Arvin

North Carolina } to wit October Court A D 1771

Tryon County } This is to Certify that the within Will was / proved in Open Court by the Oath of Vardry / Magby and Recorded in the Clerks office / according to law

signed

Erek Polk CC

Tryon County} I do hereby Certify the foregoing to be a / true Copy of the Last Will & Testament of Davd. Robertson / together with the Clerks Certificate thereon. Certified at office the 8th Day of December A.D. 1774[?]

Test M. Overstreet[?] CC

Source: North Carolina County Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions (Tryon County), *Wills, 1765-1779*, FHL microfilm 18678/Item 1; also at North Carolina State Archives Will Number 094.901.1.