

In the name of God Amen,  
 I Edmund Wharton of the County of Jones and State of North Carolina seriously considering the uncertainty of human life at best do while in a firm state of mind and recollection make this my last Will & Testament intending hereby to dispose of my worldly affairs as justice shall seem to direct. Item the first I give and bequeath unto my dearly beloved wife Elizabeth Wharton the following negroes to wit: Duke Jim, old Blay, Ming and Sabel, her her heirs and assigns forever Item I bind unto said Eliza Wharton during the term of her natural life & no longer the one half of my lands including the dwelling house & out houses where I now live. Item I give and bequeath unto my said wife one Horse called Bonapart one riding chair & harness one yoke of Oxen one Ox cart, one Chain, one pair iron trags, all my stock of Hogs, one Bedstead and furniture seven table spoons silver, seven do tea spoons, one pair candle stands, Brest & furniture, one half my kitchen furniture, two plates, one fire shovel and tongs, one of my table her chairs, six flag chairs one Trunk and one Chest four Cows & four calves an goats, three sows & ten sheep one Scaum and the furniture of a tanning shute - one wooden wheel - one linen wheel one for smoothing Iron & sufficiency of Corn & pork or Bacon for one year provision to be sustained & estimated by two or three Citizens, upright disinterested persons to be chosen by my Executors - also one fat fat Java Cattle, six empty barrels pine or oak, to her her heirs and assigns forever Item I give and bequeath unto my son Edmund Wharton after the death of his mother all my lands in the County of Jones, him his heirs & assigns forever Item It is my Will & desire that the residue of my negroes not already bequeathed be equally & fairly divided among my Children, Alice Wharton, Fanny Wharton & Edmund Wharton as well the child my wife is now gravid with the survivor or survivors of either of them to share & share alike when they arise of lawful age & matrimony and until such time the same to be disposed & hired out to the best advantage & the proceeds after deducting necessary charges to be set off in equal dividends for their support maintenance & education. Item I give and bequeath unto my said children one feather bed each, hirs and assigns forever. Lastly I nominate my wife Eliza & her brother Jacob Dudley executors of this Will revoking all others by me made

In Witness and

In Witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal the 1<sup>st</sup> day of March 1812

Signed sealed by the Testator in presence of us  
 R. Dickson  
 J. Wharton  
 E. Dudley

Ed Wharton

State of North Carolina  
 Jones County Court of Pleas & Quarter sessions May Term 1812 - Then was the foregoing last Will and Testament of Edmund Wharton deceased proved in open Court by the oath of R. Dickson one the subscribing Witnesses, in due form of Law and Ordinance to be recorded - At same time the Court therein named qualified as such - Ordered that letters Testamentary issue accordingly  
 Attest: R. Rogers  
 I true Copy from the original filed in the Clarks office of Jones County  
 Attest: R. Rogers

In the name of God Amen  
 I William Hawkins of Jones County being sick and like to die but of perfect and memory thanks be given unto God, and calling unto mind the mortality of my Body, and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament that is to say principally & first of all I give and recommend my soul into the hands of Almighty God that gave it, and my body to be buried in decent Christian burial, at the direction of my Executors, nothing doubting but at the funeral of my Creator, & nothing doubting but at the funeral of my Creator, I shall receive the same by the mighty power of God, and as such worldly estate wherewith it has pleased God to bless me in this life - I give and dispose of in the following manner and form and first I give to my son Jesse Hawkins five shillings to be paid and raised out of my Estate - Secondly I give to my daughter Alice Rogers five shillings to be raised and paid out of my Estate - Thirdly I give to my son Solomon Hawkins five shillings to be raised and paid out of my Estate - Fourthly I give

Fourthly I give to my beloved wife Rhoda one Cow & Calf six year old Hogs, three barrels of Corn, ten bushels of potatoes, one feather bed & furniture one spider House & Lard during her natural life & widowhood and at her death or marriage to return to my Grand son William Hawkins, Fifthly I give to my son Benjamin Hawkins one desk - Sixthly I give to my son Littleton Hawkins one Horse & Cart all my house hold goods and furniture with all my plantation tools & Stock of every kind unless his brother Wherryot should returne in three years then he shall equally divide the whole of that property with him Land & all - I likewise Comendate my beloved son Littleton Hawkins the said Executor of this my last Will & Testament and I do hereby disallow Hinkle & deason all and every other be-  
 =ments Wills legacies bequaths Comendates by me in any way named within & bequaths ratifying & confirming this and no other to be my last will & Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this twenty fifth day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & nine

Test John Hunter }  
 Logan Miller } William Hawkins Esq

State of North Carolina Court of Pleas & Quarter.  
 Jones County. } Return May Term 1812  
 Then was the foregoing last Will & Testament of William Hawkins De<sup>d</sup> duly proved in open Court by the oath of John Heath one the subscribing Witnesses and ordered to be recorded - at same time Littleton Hawkins the Executor therein named qualified as such agreeable to Law - ordered that letters Testamentary issue accordingly -

Attest Wm. W. W. W.

A True Copy from the Original filed in the Clerks Office of Jones County

Attest Wm. W. W. W.

In the name of God Amen  
 I Bazel Smith wife Henry in a low state of health yet thanks to God of sound mind and memory calling to mind that I am soon to die do make and appoint this my last Will & Testament in the manner and form following (viz) - First I recommend my Body to the Earth to be buried at the discretion of my Executors therein after mentioned and as touching my last gift as it pleased God to bless me with. I hereby and give & bequeath in manner a form following - I wish my son John W. Smith to have the worth of Labour of my negro man Jim & his wife Lena the term of two years to Commence at the day of my death and at the said term being and I wish the said two negro Jim & his wife to be hired out and their wages to be paid toward the payment of my debts then to my grand daughter Eliza Smith during her life and I give to my son John W. Smith two feather beds bedsteads & furniture belonging to them marked J. W. S. and my bonnet and all in it and my large mahogany dining table and two tea tables & six Sillings chairs such as he may choose and two yoke of Oxen and ten Sows with their Lambs, if they have any at the term of my death, and also all the Corn grown and fodder & stalk that I am possessed of at my death to him and his heirs and assigns for ever - and my negro woman Nan to be hired out till my debts is all paid then I wish said negro Nan to go to my grand son Bazel Smith, and I give to my son John W. Smith five pounds to be paid in silver Dollars in full with what I have already given him All the rest of my personal property to be sold and the money arising to go towards paying my just debts and I do hereby authorize and appoint friend General Duran Hatch & my Cousin Stephen B. Forbes Executors to this my last will & Testament, In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 20<sup>th</sup> day June 1811

Signed sealed & delivered in presence of us  
 Stephen Williams }  
 Headock } Bazel Smith Esq

And after my debts is paid I will my negro man Jey to my Cousin Stephen B. Forbes to him & his heirs  
 State of North Carolina, Jones County Court February Term 1812  
 Then was the foregoing last Will & Testament of Bazel Smith and same duly proved in open Court by the oath of General Williams and ordered to be recorded - at same time Stephen B. Forbes qualified Executor agreeable to Law - ordered that letters Testamentary issue accordingly -

Attest Wm. W. W. W.  
 True Copy from original filed in office  
 Attest Wm. W. W. W.