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George
Wills
1824

In the name of God Amen I George Hartman do Maggon
make in the town of Salem in the County of Botetourt State of
Virginia being of sound mind & memory but rather feeble in
body and knowing that the End of Flesh is Death & that my body
With those of the rest of my fellow travellers in this World of sin
and trouble must When ever it shall please the Omnipotent &
Eternal disposer of all things be taken of a spiritual & temporal
nature to direct the progress of my mortal pilgrimage return
to that dust from which it originated do make this my
Last Will and Testament In the first place through
the merits of that Blessed Mediator & Redeemer Jesus Christ
I recommend my soul to the mercy of Him my God from
Whom I receive it and my body to my executors to be
buried in a Christianlike manner I direct that

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all my Just Debt be paid out of What Debt or any to me
as far as this Will admit of so soon as practicable Hoping that my
creditors may prolong their indulgence to my Children Which
they have so generously and so often extended towards them
Yours until the means can be raised without the Grant a
Sacrifice of What Personal Property I may leave behind me
Feeling confident that the industry and Economy of my son
George aided by that of his Sister now unmarried Will in a
Short time procure a good Estate a bequest my House &
Cottages in the County of Botetourt a bequest my House &
of every description Which I am or may be entitled to either in
Law or equity to my two sons George & Luke to them and their
Heirs forever all the Shop tools and house having heretofore
having heretofore Given them to my son George I hereby confirm
and sanction said Gifts I Give and bequest to my three daughters
Nancy Polly and Kitty all my other Personal Property of every
kind and including a surplus of debts owing to me if any
there should be to be equally divided between the said Nancy
Polly and Kitty after their marriage or other disposal

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Letter John Smith
Sam G. L.

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