

In the name of God Amen I Joseph Hooper of Cumberland
County being sick and weak in body but of sound and perfect mind
& memory praise be god and calling to mind the uncertainty of this life
do think convenient to make this my last will and Testament I
do commend my soul into the hands of Almighty God my Creator hoping
for the merits and Intercession of my Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ to be
eternally happy and my body to the earth to be decently buried according
to the direction of my Executors hereafter named and to my worldly
goods and Estate which god hath been pleased to bestow on me my just debts
& Funeral Charges being paid I give and Dispose of the same as follows to
wit I give and Bequeath to my wife Elizabeth Hooper for her natural
Life Three Negroes Ben Jude Simah Moll and the plantation where
now live containing two Acres and a feather Bed we now live on of three
Acres of Land and all the goods in the house I do give and bequeath to
my wife Elizabeth and my daughter Mary the wife of Benjamin Hooper

My dear friend
I have the honor to receive your kind letter
and in reply to inform you that I have
been thinking of you very much since I have
heard of your late decease. During his natural life I have given and bequeath
to John Benson my whole estate of ten acres of land lying in the town
of New York in a lot of Black Smith's Point. I have also given and bequeath to my
Beloved wife all of cattle that is at the farm of William and all the cattle
she now lives upon. A Negro Girl named Sarah to be kept as the
kindest property I have given and bequeath to my Nephew George
Hooper this Negroes Harry late of Huger and two acres of land on
Williams River near of 300 acres that I bought of Nathaniel Jeffery
and if the said George Hooper should die without heirs then the said
land of Huger is to become Hugh Hoopers and his heirs. I have given
and bequeath to my Beloved wife one Negroe boy named Jeffery
during her life and the said Negroe to Joseph Benson after her Death
I have given and bequeath to my Nephew George Hooper my Great
Grand Child's Land

Item I give and Bequeath to my Nephew George Hooper my Great
Bible and 100 Acres of ^{Land} Joyning the former given him and all my
Possessions of Land after the Death of my wife Henry Trent
Item I Give ~~to my Nephew~~ to the said George Hooper one Negro
named Frank and all his Increase and if the said George Hooper
die without heirs then the said Land of Negroes to become Hugh Hooper's
his heirs Item I Give to my Beloved wife my house Dragon full my
Stock of Hops & all the money that is due to me in England Item
I Give to Henry Trent one Negro girl named Jude after the Death
of my wife during the Life of the said Henry Trent and to George
Hooper after his Death Item I Give to my Beloved wife the
Disposing of my mill as she shall think fit & proper & all the
Treasure of my Estate that is not disposed of and lastly I do constitute
and Appoint my Beloved wife Elizabeth Hooper the Executor of this
my last will & Testament making void all former Wills
Testaments &c. in me made

Item I Give ~~and bequeath~~ to the said George Hooper one Negroe
named Dutch and all his Increase and if the said George Hooper
die without heirs then the said Lands of Negroes to become Hugh Hoopers
his heirs Item I Give to my Beloved wife my house Dragon full my
Stock of Hogs & all the money that is due to me in England Item
I Give to Henry Trent one Negroe girl named Jude after the Death
of my During the life of the said Henry Trent and to George
Hooper after his Death Item I Give to my Beloved wife the
Disposing of my mill as she shall think fit & proper of all the
Treasur of my Estate that is not disposed of and lastly I do constitute
and Appoint my Beloved wife Elizabeth Hooper Caretaker of this
my last will & Testament that my Executors are James White
Widowes by one name Mr. White who of them he comes
to my Executors and the said James White my Executors
we have written down the said will & Testament

