

Joseph Hughes In the name of God Amen I Joseph Hughes of the Parish of Southam
of County of Cumberland being of perfect and disposing mind & Memory
do make constitute ordain and appoint this to be my last Will &
Testament in manner & form following to wit, to
my Will and Desire is that my Body be Decently entred and as to
my worldly Goods such as has pleased God to give me after my
Debts are Paid I give and dispose of in manner and form
following (that is to say)

Item I give and bequeath to Henry Hobson and his heirs forever
two hundred acres of Land being part of the Tract Town, Live on
to begin at the head of a brook above his spring near the
House that he has built & to run down to the brook and then to
continue up the brook to Pleasants line thence up Pleasants line
to a great Pine and then on Stoners line to Includ two
hundred acres. Proceed he Pays my Executors fifty five Pounds.
Item I give and bequeath unto my Brother John Hughes two
hundred & seventy four Acres being the land given him by
my Father.

to go that he has left of to run down to the creek and then to
continue up the creek to Pleasants line thence up Pleasants line
to a great Pine and then on Stoness line to bounded two
hundred acres. Proved he pays my Executors fifty five Pounds.
Item I give and bequeath unto my Brother John Hughes two
hundred & seventy five acres being the Land given him by
my Father

Item I give and bequeath unto my loving Wife to her and her
Heirs forever two hundred & fifty acres of Land which was given
to me by my Father. I give to my beloved Wife and her Heirs
for ever seven Negroes viz Peter Mark Sammy Jane Major
Sally Susan & and child that likewise I give unto my said
Wife & to her Heirs for ever all my personal Estate except my
Saddles & Bridle which I give unto my Brother John
also I except three Negroes which I give unto my Mother
Elizabeth Hughes viz old Bill old Sam & Brown and during
his Natural Life and after his death to return to my Brother

John Hughes I also give unto my Mother the Land mentioned to her in
my Father's Will and after her Death to return to my loving Wife
Jane Hughes.

Now I give and bequeath unto my Brother John and his heirs forever
all my out lands, also I give and bequeath unto my Brother John
of his dues for one Negro Gash named Sarrat.

I do constitute ordain & appoint my Wife Jane Hughes, John Stoddard
and William Holton Executors to this my last Will & Testament.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand & Affixed my Seal
twenty first Day of November one thousand seven hundred fifty Five.

Signed Sealed Published Declared and Delivered by
the said Joseph Hughes to be his last Will &
Testament in Presence of

Richard James

Thomas Pondexter

Ann Atkinson

At a Court held for Cumberland County the 20th Day of Jan

This last Will and Testament of Joseph Hughes last

Testament in Presence of

Richard James

Thomas Coindick

Ann Atkinson

At a Court held for Cumberland County the 20th Day of Jan

This last Will and Testament of Joseph Hughes dec^d

Thomas Coindick and Ann Atkinson two of the Witnesses

last aforesaid to be recorded and James Hughes executor

and William Holton Recaptors thereon made oaths

upon themselves the Pruthers of the Recaptors thereon

motion of John Woodson Guardian to John Hughes

of the said dec^d who made Oath according to Law to the

granted him for obtaining Letters of Adminⁿ of the

with the Will annexed during the Minority of the said

giving security whereupon he together with Paul Patterson

Patterson & William Pledge their Securities entered in

to Law

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W^m Parker Pursuant to an order of Cumberland County Court