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At a Court Continued held for Halifax County on the 28 day of May 1790

The within written certificate was produced to Court sworn to by the said Boyd Murrento a sworn I was ordered to be recorded Examined Truly Recorded Teste Geo Carrington Clk

Edward's last Will

In the Name of God Amen I Charles Edwards of the County of Halifax being sick and weak in body at the perfect in mind and memory and that it is appointed for a man one to die and calling to mind the mortality of this life make this my last will and Testament.

I Impowr I leave my soul to god that gave it, my body to the earth to be buried at the discretion of my Executors hereinafter mentioned and as it hath pleased almighty god to bestow me a small share of this world's wealth. I mean to dispose of it in manner and form following. Viz

Item my Will and desire is that all my Just Debt should be paid, Item I lend to my beloved wife Letty one third part of my Estate both real and personal freely to possess and enjoy during her life. Item I give and bequeath unto my three sons namely James, Leonard, & Charles Edwards, all my lands to be equally divided to them and their heirs or assigns forever & if any one should die before or manage my will it shall be divided between the other two Surviving to them their heirs &c. Item I give and bequeath unto all my children both male and female all my personal Estate goods Chattels equally to be divided amongst them all to them and their heirs forever excepted Item my daughter Mary which already married and dead my Will and desire is that her children may enjoy what I have already given them and no part of the Estate I now possess but to the other Children I give Item I give and bequeath unto my brother Thomas Edwards one hundred Acres of Land situate on the new town on the State of North Carolina which

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the said and more is further that my wife Letty should have and to my Executors likewise my brother Thomas Edwards and Samuel Clay should be my Executors of this my last Will and Testament I do now make and making this all other hereafter by me made In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this fourteenth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty four. Signed sealed in presence of Charles Edwards J. J. Samuel Clay, William Murrento, Hallock Townes

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The within written last Will and Testament of Charles Edwards deceased was exhibited unto Court and proved by the witnesses therein subscribed to be the act and deed of the said Charles Edwards and was ordered to be Recorded and on the motion of Letty Edwards Executrix of the said Will mentioned was made O. K. according to Law except for obtaining Probate a grantee her of the said Will in due form the giving bond and security. whereupon she together with Richard Wades, Robert Wades, Hampton Wades, Stephen Wades, entered into & acknowledged their bond for that purpose according to Law and were bound to Thomas Edwards one of the to witness also named in said Will to join in the Commission thereof when he shall think fit & Samuel Clay the other Executor in said Will remain to Court to advise to take any part thereof on himself.

Truly Recorded Teste George Carrington Clk, William Thompson Secy

The subscribers being duly qualified to divide the Lands of the said Charles Edwards have met together this 5th day of June 1790 and have divided it agreeable to the Will of the decedent as follows To Thomas Ligon the upper Lot on Browns Creek James Ligon the upper Lot on Wade Creek Obadiah Ligon the lower Lot on Wade Creek Henry Ligon the lower Lot on Browns Creek Given under our hands the day & date above written Rich Jones John Flann John Thompson

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