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I William Ladd of the County of Archibald do make and ordain
this my last will and Testament in manner and form following first I be-
queath my beloved wife Ursula the plantation wherein I now live and all
estate both real and personal during her natural life or widowhood except
such part as I shall hereafter bequeath away Item I give to my son George
Ladd the plantation wherein I now live containing eighty five acres
according to a line drawn to him and his heirs forever Item I give
my son William Ladd ^{of land} sixty five acres according to a line drawn to him
and his heirs forever Item I give to my son Thomas Ladd ten pound
current money of Virginia to be raised out of my estate after the decease
of my wife to him and his heirs forever Item I give to my son Jacob
ten pounds current money of Virginia to be raised out of my estate after
the decease of my wife to him and his heirs forever Item I give to my
daughter Mildah one feather bed and furniture and one cow
and calf and one working wheel and one pair of cards and one loom and
two slaps and one dish and three plates to her and her heirs forever
Item my will and desire is that my wife shall have the use of the
aforesaid loom, wheel and cards during her natural life Item I give
to my daughter Mildah after the death of my wife the use of one
half of the land wherein I now live, one half of the Orchard and of the
house and lot

of the land whereto I now live, one half of the Breckard and of the
house and Lichness negro Well during his natural life, or in case of
Morrison I give and bequeath to my son James Todd the Land plantation
whereto I now live, after Decease of intermarriage of my wife to him
his heirs for ever. Also I give to my said son James one good feather bed
and furniture two cows and calves one cow and pigs and four chairs
one dish and three plates to him and his heirs forever. Item I give
my Daughters Elizabeth whatever I have already bestowed her with to her
her heirs for ever. Also I give to my Daughter Elizabeth whatever I have
bestowed her with to her and her heirs forever. Item I give to my Grandson
Abraham Todd one cow and calf to her and her heirs forever. Item
the decess of my wife, or her intermarriage, and after the decess of
intermarriage of my Daughter Muldoh my Will and desire is that the
negroes follow Well shall have it in his power to choose which of my Children
he please to live with and my Will is that such child, my for the said
such person as two indifferent people shall judge to be his worth which
I give to be equally divided among all my children to them
their heirs respectively for ever. Also after the decess of my wife
that the remainers of my Estate be equally divided among all
my Children that shall then be living. Item I appoint my three sons
James, Thomas and James Todd executors of this will, it to

and Testament of the Will of John of Mecklenburg and my
hand and affixed my seal this 7th day of March 1778
before us

John Sadd

Magistrate Taber

Thomas Morris

John Hall junr

Robert Johnson

William Sadd

At a Court held for Mecklenburg County the 8th day of May 1780
This Will was proved by the solemn Testimony of Magistrate Taber
Witnesses thereunto and Ordered to be recorded and on the petition
of William Sadd Thomas Sadd and James Sadd the
executors therein named who made oath to the same and together
with Jacob Sadd and William Taylor their securities
entered into and acknowledged their bond in the penalty of
ten thousand pounds conditioned as the Law directs Certificate
is granted them for obtaining a probate of the said Will in due
form

Teste

John Brown Clerk