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Col Harper's Will Exam<sup>d</sup> I the Rev<sup>d</sup> James Harper Sen<sup>r</sup> of Collins creek Rockbridge County and State of Virginia being in an infirm state of body but of perfect and disposing mind and memory and calling to mind my state

of mortality do this twentieth day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and two make and approve this

my last will and Testament in manner and form following First I allow all my just debts to be paid and my body to be decently interred without any parade or unnecessary expence by my Ex<sup>ors</sup> hereafter named and with regard to such worldly estate as god shall send me I dispose of it as follows I allow one hundred and fifty dollars to be paid to Andrew Stalen alias Deed Stalen in order to satisfy him and likewise all his reasonable expence about my funeral I bequeath to my dear wife Mary Harper

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I likewise bequeath a mourning coat and ring together with  
two hundred pounds Virginia currency but the last only in  
case D<sup>r</sup> And<sup>r</sup> Norton shall fairly and honestly settle the accounts  
notwithstanding between him and my son the Rev<sup>d</sup> James Harper  
Jun<sup>r</sup> and give him credit for two hundred pounds Ster<sup>l</sup> paid  
by <sup>me</sup> to D<sup>r</sup> And<sup>r</sup> and his wife for account of said Jas<sup>r</sup> Harper

I likewise bequeath to my two Grand children Elizabeth  
and Francis Norton fifty pounds currency each I bequeath  
to my son Rev<sup>d</sup> Jas<sup>r</sup> Harper one hundred and seventy pounds  
currency together with the two hundred pounds conditionally  
bequeathes to my daughter Mary that is provided D<sup>r</sup> And<sup>r</sup> do  
not give him credit for the two hundred pounds Ster<sup>l</sup> then  
and in that case I allow it to be paid to my son Jas<sup>r</sup> to indem-  
nify him from the frauds and in the event of the matter  
I commend my dear Mary to the mercy and sympathy of her  
mother and Mother I likewise bequeath my grand daughter

Elizabeth Harper daughter of my son Jas<sup>r</sup> Harper one hundred

and twenty dollars to buy a horse and saddle when she shall  
arrive at fifteen years of age. I allow my daughter Mary  
in case £ two hundred pounds comes to her to keep it at  
interest during life and divide it at her death among her  
children. The above bequestments to be paid by my exec  
in yearly installments or payments of fifty pounds to  
commence after Mr. Todt's and Tho<sup>s</sup> Jack are paid the first  
year Ann<sup>e</sup> Norton hundred and fifty dollars second year  
my son Jas fifty pounds ~~to~~ <sup>and</sup> ~~the~~ <sup>no</sup> all in ~~the~~ <sup>no</sup> interest until  
due by this arrangement, and if they can be paid sooner  
without injury to my son W<sup>m</sup> I allow him to do it without  
discount this to be determined by Jos<sup>ph</sup> Harper and Stephen  
Price after enquiring into his circumstances from time to  
time. I bequeath all my remaining property to my beloved  
-Pam<sup>e</sup> Elizabeth Harper and my son W<sup>m</sup> Harper their  
and their heirs consisting of lands called Hornfield for  
-wherein I my heirs enjoying this property and all

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death to revert to my son William and his legitimate issue forever  
 but in case my son Wm shall die without lawful issue I allow the  
 property to be equally divided between my son J<sup>r</sup> and daughter Mary  
 and their heirs share & share alike but in this case my son Wm  
 may bequeath two hundred pounds currency as he pleases and if  
 my beloved wife shall not wish to live with my son Wm she is  
 to have a separate maintenance by the award of three honest  
 men paid her half yearly. And I finally I constitute ordain  
 and appoint my son William Warner and my nephews  
 James Warner near Home mountain in solid County and James  
 Hamilton son of <sup>Buffels</sup> ~~of~~ <sup>of</sup> this my last will and testament hereby  
 revoking disavowing and disannulling all former wills and  
 testaments by me made or said to be made ratifying and  
 confirming and establishing this and none else to be my  
 last will and testament. In Witness whereof I have here  
 unto set my hand and seal the day and year first  
 signed sealed published and  
 declared as and for my last will.

Wm Warner 26<sup>th</sup> 1799

and Testament in presence of  
the witnesses who have at my re-  
quest and in presence of one  
another subscribed their names  
as witnesses therunto by both  
to this Will and <sup>the</sup> ~~Articles annexed~~  
below

- ~~John Price~~
- William Johnston
- Matthew Willson

John Harper Sen. 25/18

Subjoin to the above for explanation that where it said  
the second year fifty pounds to my son Geo. it should have followed the  
third year fifty to my daughter Mary in case the money come to her  
and so on alternately till all be paid secondly I subjoin that it shall not  
be legal or in my son William power to take a Mortgage or contract  
any other debt or debt upon the above bequeathed estate exceeding two  
hundred pounds currency this I ratify and confirm also as a part  
of my last will and Testament and subscribe as above  
William Johnston