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which said sum he is to have a good suit of clothes and the remainder he is to receive in money. This to receive a set of Taylors tools. In testimony whereof the said James Boyd and Thomas McClelland have hereunto set their hands and seals this day and year first above written.

Sealed and delivered
in presence of
D. Campbell
David Hays
Wm P Skillern

James Boyd L.S.
Thomas McClelland L.S.

At Court held for Washington county the 19th day of August 1800

This Indenture of apprenticeship between James Boyd and Thomas McClelland was proved in by the oaths of David Hays and David Campbell two of the witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded.

Attest
John Russell Secy.

In The Name of God Amen

I John Benham of Washington county and State of Virginia weak in body, but of a good perfect mind and memory, thanks be given unto God calling unto mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament; that is, to say principally and first of all I gave and recommend my soul unto the hand of Almighty God that gave it, and my body I recommend to the earth, to be buried in decent Christian burial at the discretion of my executors; Nothing doubting but at the general resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God. And as touching such worldly estate wherewith it has pleased God to bless me in this life, I give, devise, and bequeath of the same in the

following manner and form, First I give and bequeath to Mary, my dearly beloved wife, whom I likewise constitute, make, and ordain one of my executors of this my last Will and testament; all my household, goods, debts, and moveable effects by her fully to be possessed and enjoyed, during her widowhood and at the time of her death or marriage to be equally divided amongst my three youngest daughters Ann, Rachel, & Rebekah or at her discretion stand in need and likewise to have her choice of a home amongst my lands during her widowhood. Also, I give to my well beloved son Valiant Benham whom I likewise constitute, make, and ordain as one of my executors of this my last Will and Testament part of my tract of land lying in Powells valley Leeward and State aforesaid all the Land lying on the West side of James Fugets spring branch following the various courses of the same down to the sinking of the same thence a straight line with the branch to the line. Also I give to my well beloved son William Benham whom I likewise constitute, make, and ordain as one of my executors of this my last Will and testament, all the land on the south side of the river belonging to the tract I now live on. Also I give to my well beloved son John Benham whom I likewise constitute make and ordain as one of my executors of this my last Will and Testament, all the land on the North side of the river belonging to the tract I now live on down the river to the fish trap hill when the rocks bend down on the river and thence up the same hill and down along the same on the top of the ridge to the line, and likewise a small tract of Land lying in the poor valley containing 50 acres

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Also I give to my well beloved son Joel Bentham a part of my tract of land in Powells Valley joining my son Vincents line to the west and Drewry Flechers conditional line on which his fence now stands to the East. Also I give to my well beloved son James Bentham the remainder of the tract of land I now live on lying on the North ^{side} of the river And likewise a small tract of land joining the same on both sides of the river containing 80 acres And as for my three eldest daughters viz, Sarah, Ruth, and Mary, I have portioned of as I thought sufficient agreeable to my estate. And I do hereby utterly disavow, Revoke and disannul, all and every other former Testaments, Wills, Legacies, Bequests, and Executions, by me in any wise before named, Willed, and bequeathed: Ratified and confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament, in Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twelfth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety six

Signed, Sealed, published, Pronounced, and declared by the said John Bentham as his last Will and Testament, in the presence of us, who in his presence and in the and in presence of each other have hereunto subscribed our names

John Russell

Hen. Holt

William ^{his} Hobbs

Christopher ^{his} Hobbs

John ^{his} Bentham Esq
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At a court held for Washington county the 19th day of August 1800. The last Will and testament of John Bentham dec^d was proven in court by the oaths of John Russell and William

Hobbs two of the subscribing witnesses thereto. And on the motion of Mary Benham the executrix therein named who took the oath prescribed by law and together with Joseph Frost and Samuel Spruce her securities entered into and acknowledged their bonds in the sum of one thousand dollars conditioned as the law directs. A certificate for the probate of the said Will is therefore granted her in due form.

Attest

And. Russell S. C.

For and in consideration of seven hundred and eighty one dollars to me in hand paid the receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge, I have and do hereby sell bargain and confirm to Matthew Brown his heirs and assigns for ever to wit one bay mare five years old one black mare three years old past one brown colt two years old past one colt six months old one bay horse nine years past and five grown cows and four two year olds and five yearlings, and thirty head of hogs marked as follows on the right ear a crop and split, on the left a crop and under kiler and one waggon with draggers and all my household furniture a lie twelve acres of rye and three of wheat which said property I do hereby warrant and will for ever defend the property above mentioned to the before mentioned Mat^r Brown his heirs and assigns for ever to the true and faithful performance of the above sale I do hereby bind myself my heirs & assigns and assigns jointly by their presents to the before mentioned Matthew Brown his heirs Executors administrators or assigns in the penal sum of seven hundred dollar lawful money in testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 20th of January in the year of our