

and Declared by the said Samuel Bell
the Testator to be his last will and Testament,
in the presence of us who have herewith
Subscribed as Witnesses in presence of the Testator,

Anne Williams
John Armstrong
Robert Williams

Carteret June Court 1782

These are to Certify that the foregoing
Will Was proved in Open Court by the
Affirmation of Robert Williams the Subscribing
Witness thereto

Test Rob Read Clerk

In the Name of God amen Twentieth Day of April 1787

I Henry Brees of Carteret County and State of North Carolina
planter being sick and weak in body but of perfect mind
and Memory thanks be given unto God: Therefore 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 give and Recommend my soul into the hands of
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 Resurrex-
tion I shall receive the same again by the mighty
power of God: and as touching such Worldly Estate wherewith
it hath pleased God to bless me in this life
I give demise dispose of the same in the following
manner and form.

Item I give and bequeath unto Sarah my Dearly beloved
Wife all that came by her of Everything that was hers to
be made good to her again. Item I give unto my
Daughter Levina the Bed and furniture that is call'd
hirs and her Cow and Two years old heifer and after
my Lawful Debts is paid the Rest of my Estate to be
Equally Divided among all my Children Boys
and girls to their Equal alike Where as I appoint
my Sons Ross and James Brees Executors to this my
last will and Testament and I do here by utterly
Disavow revoke and disannul all and Every other
Will or Wills by me formerly made Repeal and
Confirm this and no other to be my last Will and
Testament In Witness where unto I have set
my hand and Seal this Day and year first above
Written

Sign Seal and
Delivered in presents
of us —

his
Henry H Brees Seal
man

Titus Howard
Richard Lewis Hataell +
his
William Hataell
man