

my true friend John Bookhouse & Loving wife &  
John Scott in Craven County & my son in law  
Thomas Smith of Onslow County Executors of this  
my Last Will and Testament. Decannulling &  
Making void all former wills and Bequests  
by me made, and Declaring this only to be  
my last will & Testament. In witness  
Whereof I have hereunto set my hand &  
Seal the Day & year above written.

John Harper (seal)

Signed, Sealed published  
pronounced & Declared  
By the said John Harper to be  
his last will & Testament  
in the presence of  
James Berry  
Stephen Dudley  
Abraham Dudley

In the name of God, amen, I Hillary Herbert being sick  
and weak in body, but of sound mind and memory, and  
knowing that it is appointed to all men to die do make  
and appoint this my last Will and Testament, Recommen-  
ding my soul to God who gave it, and my body to the earth  
to be buried in decent manner according to the direction of  
my Executors hereafter hereafter mentioned, whom I will  
and desire to pay all my Lawful Debts, and as for what  
worldly estate it hath pleased God to bless me with I  
will and dispose of the same or manner following to say -

I give and bequeath unto my wife Jane Herbert  
one third part of all my Estate, and a negro called her  
hiding Mary to be disposed of as she shall think proper.

Item, I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Mary wife of  
Daniel Cowdell living in Pennsylvania, one Negro girl called  
Sall, being the borne of a negro woman called Albany common Col.  
Crawford, given with her leave to my said Daughter along  
my son William and Daughter Margaret, I also give and  
bequeath unto my said Daughter Mary the sum of Three  
Pounds, to her, her heirs and assigns for ever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my son William Herbert the sum  
of Fifty pounds instead of his part of said negro woman and  
her borne, to him his heirs and assigns for ever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Margaret Herbert the  
like sum of Fifty pounds instead of her part of said negro  
woman and her borne, to her, her heirs and assigns for ever.

My will and desire is, in case my said son William  
and Daughter Margaret or either of them should not  
withstanding make any demand of the above said Negro  
Woman and her borne, they or either of them so pretending  
shall forfeit the aforesaid sum of Fifty Pounds each which  
said sum or sums shall remaine or returne into the hands  
of my after named executors to be applied as the above  
further occasion in defending my said Estate against any  
such demand as above mentioned.

I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Sarah Herbert  
the like sum of Fifty Pounds, to her, her heirs and  
assigns for ever.

I give and bequeath unto my son Hillary Herbert  
the like sum of Fifty Pounds to him his heirs and  
assigns for ever.

I give and bequeath unto my son Edward Herbert  
the like sum of Fifty pounds to him his heirs and  
assigns for ever.

also my will and desire is that all my Estate both  
real and personal be sold and the money disposed of  
as aforesaid, and if any remainder shall be left  
after the said Legacies are paid the same to be  
equally divided among my five children last  
mentioned.

Lately

I ordain and appoint my beloved wife Jane Mads  
my sole Executrix for executing this my last Will  
and Testament according to the true intent  
and meaning hereof.

In Witness whereof I have  
hereunto set my hand and seal this Twenty sixth  
Day of November Anno Domini one Thousand  
Seven hundred & Sixty seven

Hillay Herbert *(Signature)*

Witnesses

Jam Leffers

Nathan Yeomans.

Josh Yeomans.

Carteret County Court 1767

This may Certify that the above Will was proved  
in open Court by the oath of Nathan Yeomans  
one of the Subscribing Witnesses thereto—  
Test Rob Read C. J. G.

North Carolina Set by the Name of God aman  
I Hannah May of Carteret County being very sick but in perfect  
mine and memory being infirme of Mortality and for the  
quiet of my family do make this my Last Will and Testament  
in form following Cheif of all I command my Soul to go  
gave it to the Merits of Jesus Christ my Redemer and my  
body to the Earth to be decently Buried at the disression of  
my Executors hereafter mentioned and as for such Worlthy  
posses as God hath been pleased to bless me with I  
dispose of the same as follows.

First of all I give to my Daughter Hannah Mads all  
the Goods and Chattels that I now have at Thomas Mads  
and one pair of hand Irons and one Large stone pott or  
one three gallon Stone jang and one Large Iron Kettle and one  
Iron Roasting spit at Thomas May to her and her heirs and  
assigns for Ever. also I give to my Daughter Hannah Mads  
one Carte and wheels that Thomas May had of mine to her  
and her heirs and assigns for Ever; also I give to my grand  
Childs May one Double Bed that Thomas May has in Care an  
one two year old Sheep and one iron Kettle and one pair  
Bason to him and his heirs and assigns for Ever also I give  
to my son Thomas May all the Remannder part of my Estate  
that is not all Ready Willing away to him and his heirs and  
assigns for Ever and I do hereby make and appoint Hannah  
Mads my full and sole Executor of this my Last Will  
and Testament hereby Revoking adannulling and making  
void all former Wills and Leguages by me made & sealing  
this only to be my Last Will and Testament in  
Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and  
Seal this Thirty first Day of January Anno Domini 1773,

*Hannah F. May* *(Signature)*  
Abraham Dudley x  
Stephen Dudley

Proved in 1777.