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I In the Name of God Amen I James Phelps of Brunswick County
Province of North Carolina being weak of body but of perfect
Mind and Memory do make and Declare this my last Will &
Testament in Manner and form following To wit I recommend my
Soul to Almighty God who gave it me Hoping to receive it again
at the last day in a happy Resurrection. My body to be buried
in a Christian like Manner. Order What Wherry Estate of both
Clears God to bless me with after my Funeral Expenses Very just
able Paid. And as Dispose of the Following Manner,

1st Give and Bequeath unto my son William fifty pounds Current
Money to be Paid Out of my Estate To wit I send the
Residue Part of my Estate with my Land to my beloved wife
Ellen During her Natural life or Widowhood the raising my
Children Out of it as I have heretofore done

2nd Give and Bequeath after my wife's Decease to my youngest
son Ambrose that Part of my Land lying on the North
side of the Branch being the Part whereon Snow lies

3rd Give and Bequeath to my next youngest son William the
Other Part of my Land to him and his Heirs only my Mother to
have her life she the Heir of the residue, & the Remainder Part
of my Estate, after my wife's Decease I give to be Equally
Divided amongst the rest of my Children To wit, Andrew, Thomas
Larkin Lucy Polly & Polly If my wife should marry them
to be Equally Divided amongst my six Children To wit, Thomas
Larkin Lucy Polly & Polly and my wife & the my Will and
Desire is that if either of my eight youngest Children die
without lawful issue that their Part be Equally Divided amongst
the survivors of them To wit, Lastly I appoint my beloved wife
Ellen my Executor & my son William my Executor to his my
last Will & Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my
hand and Seal this 5th of March 1786.

Signed Sealed & Delivered in Presence of
Shadrach Hudson Miller James
James Williamson

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This Will was duly proved in Open Court by
the Oaths of Shadrach Hudson John Phelps & William
Hudson to be recorded in the Public Deeds at 1786
at the Court House

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Know all men by these Presents that Samuel Morris of Brunswick
County have Bargained Sold Released and Confirmed and by these
Presents doth Bargain sell Release and Confirm unto James Rice
of the County aforesaid one Negro Girl Named Beck, To have &
hold the said Negro Girl by these Presents Bargained Sold
Released and Confirmed to the only proper use and
 behoof of the said James Rice his Heirs Executors Administrators and
Assigns forever and I the said Samuel Morris for my self my
Heirs my Executors & Administrators the said Negro Girl unto
the said James Rice his Heirs Executors Administrators and
Assigns against me the said Samuel Morris my Heirs Executors
and Administrators and against all and every Other Person
and Persons whatsoever shall and well Warrant and forever Defend
by these Presents In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my
hand and Seal this 19th day of July 1786.

Jonathan Rice,

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This Bill of Sale was proved in Open Court by the
Oaths of Jonathan Rice & Deacons to be recorded

at the Court House

I know all men by these Presents that I John Lee of Brunswick
County State of North Carolina have Bargained Sold unto William
Lee of said County and State One small steer about 8 or 9 years
old also one saddle one bed and furniture my stock of Hogs are
one of Knives Forks one Table 3 Chairs one better Bed one peg
one better Horsestock 1 Mattock 1 Iron Wedge one Drawing Knife
one Working hoe 1/2 Fire Tongs 1 Wheel to drive of a tetter 1 Spout
Young Chickens 3 Plates one Pew for and in consideration of the sum
of Twenty pounds Company on hand paid the said William Lee his
acknowledge and am therewith satisfied and do by these Presents
Wise myself my Heirs to Warrant and Defend the said Articles
aforesaid Mentioned to the said William Lee his Heirs Executors

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Inventory of James Phelps Estate Decided April 19th 1786
 Money Fifty thousand One Shilling Six Pence, Bonds
 One Hundred and four pounds two Horse beasts eight head
 of Cattle Three head of Sheep Twenty six head of Hogs four
 feather beds two spinning wheels One Loom Two stells
 Three pewter plates One Pair Pan in Ruston Hoons
 One Chish and Table Two Water Buckets One Tub chair Caskets
 One Haystack One Plough One Saw Three Mowing scythes two grubbing
 hoes Two Axes One hand saw One Drawings Knife Two pair of
 Cotton Cards One Sley One Pair Loosin Gavis floor Posts
 One Lodging Cradle Two bush hives One Wheat sieve One Pair
 of Wedges Three Bells One Chair One shoe hammer One Pair of
 Nippers Book account to forty five Shillings No Penny Land
 29th Dec 1787
 William Phelps Esq

This inventory was returned on Oath by William Phelps Esq
 Phelps Esq ordered to be recorded Feb 17th 1788

Memorandum of a Money paid by the Executors of the Estate
 of Thomas Robbison Decided to People the said Robbison was
 born when he Decided

Black paid Aschad Padbach	10	"
To Command Alty also	11	9
To James Bradley also	2	1
To Archibald Samuel &c	2	9 1/2
To William Rainey also	2	11
To Henry Black	5	12 8
To Robert Allen for schooling Children	4	"
To James Robbison	2	2
To James Montgomery	2	18 8
To William Hecot	"	13 1/4
To James Randolph	"	6 8
To three years Taxes		
To James Milson		

£ 78 16 8

Collected the 20th 1787 and also Sixty One Pound Ten shillings
 and also Sixty One Pound Ten shillings paid to Col William Hecot
 the last on Jan 1st 1788
 James Hecot
 James Hecot

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Money due by Penina Hall Esq

of John Lee	3	"
of Henry Black 2 ^d	1	1
of John James Parley	1	8
of Thomas Lea	2	"
of John Rice	2	"
of George Samuel	9	11 4
of Mr Gardner	1	5
of Mr Hightower	1	8

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The Account has not been returned to Court Penina Hall Esq
 by the 20th of January 1788
 John Hightower

This Indenture made the 15th day of January Anno Domini 1787
 between Stephen Moore Esquire in behalf of the Justices and their
 Successors of the County Court of Carmarthen of the One part of Arthur Brooks
 of the Other part Witnesseth that the said Stephen Moore in
 pursuance to an Order of the said County Court made the day &
 date above written and according to the directions of an General
 Assembly in that case made & provided doth such place &
 bind unto the said Arthur Brooks Thomas Payne an
 Orphan now of the age of seven years with the said Arthur
 Brooks to live after the manner of an Apprentice and servant
 until he shall attain the age of twenty one years during all which time
 the said Apprentice his said Master shall forth with his full
 commandment where Gladly Obey he shall not at any time
 absent himself from his said Masters Service without leave
 but in all things as a good and faithful servant shall behave
 towards his said Master And the said Arthur Brooks doth
 lawfully promise and agree to and with the said Stephen Moore
 his said Master and servant and unto his said Master and
 his said Master to read the said Thomas Payne to read the said
 the Art and mystery of a Cooper and that he will constantly
 and provide for the said Apprentice during the term of said
 sufficient and washing Lodging and Apparel fitting for an Apprentice
 and all other things necessary both in dieting and in Health
 with such other things as these Indentures have discharged and set their
 hands & seals the day & year first above written
 Signed & Delivered of the said Stephen Moore
 Stephen Moore