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#6 Jonathan Denees Will.

In the name of God Amen. Jonathan Denees of Orange County and Province of North Carolina being very sick and weak of body but of perfect mind and memory, thanks be given unto God, calling to my mind the mortality of my body, and that it is appointed for all men once to die, do make and contain this my last Will and Testament; That I bequeath Principally and first of all I give and recommend my soul into the hands 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 revive at 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 dispose of the same in the following manner and form. First of all now that is that all one penny of my lawfull debts should be paid. And I give unto my beloved wife Rachel all my whole estate, with more particulare individual things, here of, during the time of her life or widowhood; Then at the decease or widowhood of my beloved wife Rachel, that I give and bequeath my estate to be divided. Item, to my eldest son Pasha, I give two parts, and all the rest of my children, to wit, William my daughter and Ruth, Negechuck, Samuel, Sarah, Jonathan, Judith and Jeremiah, to share equally, none my eldest son Pasha, has twice as much. And likewise I bequeath unto my beloved wife Rachel, make and contain her the sole executrix of this my last Will and Testament all

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Singular my estate, by his truly love paper, and signed. Ratifying 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 Twenty eighth day of September, in the year of our Lord, one thousand seven hundred and Seventy seven.

Signed Seal published and pronounced
and declared, as his last Will and Testament, in the presence of us
who in his presence and in the presence of each other, have hereunto subscribed our names.

Timothy Rugges
Hugh Barnet
John Barnet

The Execution of this Will was proved by the Oaths of Timothy Rugges, Hugh Barnet, and John Barnet the last sitting before me then &c. And is now to be recorded.

Test M. McCord.

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George Smiths Will.

In the Name of God Amen. These be the say of, me, in the year of our Lord 1776. George Smith of that river in the County of Orange, being very sick and weak, in body, but of perfect mind and memory thanks be given unto God, therefore calling to mind the mortality of my body, and knowing that it is appointed for all men