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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 Joyful Resurrection. My body to be Buried
in a Christian like Manner. Order What Wherby Estate of both
Clears God to Bless me with after my Funeral Expenses Very just
able Paid. And also 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 Lawfull 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 Ruth, 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

Know all men by these Presents that I John Lee Sr of Brunswick
County State of North Carolina have Bargained Sold unto William
Lee of said County and State One Sawmill situate about 8 or 9 miles
old above Saddle on the road and furniture my Stock of Hogs one
cane of Knives Forks one Table 3 Chears one better Pot one Jug
one Bottle one Candlestick 1 Mattock 1 Iron Wedge one Drawing Knife
one Working hoe 11 Fire Bars 1 Wheel to drive of a tatter 1 Spout
Young Licks 3 Plates one Pan one 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 William
Lee & Heirs to the said William Lee his Heirs & to