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In the name of God Amen I James Cree of the County of
Saluda & State of North Carolina being in sound mind and memory
Blessed be God for his mercies, I am willing to mind that I have
to die and at thinking my worldly Estate that God has blessed me with
I suppose of in the following manner First I wish & since all my
Child with some personal Expenses to be paid out of my estate by my
Executor, Second I will and bequeath unto my beloved wife Anne
during her natural life all my house hold and kitchen furniture
two beds and furniture, all the Corn Meats, Wheat and fodder
which may be an hand at my death also all the Stock on hand
thirteen little negroes three sheep as she may wish to keep and all
the crop which may be an hand & not made or gotten & also
Wool and bequeath to my wife during her natural life the plantation
I live on that is all the tenable lands & improvements which I
have but it is my will that my daughter Martha J. Cree live on the
plantation with my wife & care her support on said land as long
as she Martha J. Cree is single, with the privilege of having corn
which she will and bequeath to my daughter M. J.
Cree one bed & furniture and I wish her to have all the
property she has got of her father viz. Blue, Green, Chick, Table
& other articles to do with as she thinks, I will and
bequeath to my daughter Mary C. Rimmels the land as follows
beginning at the south west corner of the land catch where
she lives & runs east to the side of the mountain on the Company
line, then with the Company line & Marwals field, down to
spite my sons thin line & West house, along a little more to
spite my crop fence then to the beginning supposed to be twenty five
feet, more or less it is my will that she, Mary C. Rimmels & her
children occupy said land as long as she lives, I wish that a
house for her and her family as long as she wishes to remain on
the land, but the land, not to be cut down or timber any part
which is fine wood on the plantation, and when ever she leaves said
land then the same to fall back to my other land again
I will and bequeath to my son in law J. H. Rimmels one dollar
to be paid him by my Executor, Fifth I will and bequeath to my
son William M. Cree fifty dollars to be paid out of my estate
after the death of my wife, Sixth I will and bequeath to my
daughter Anne L. Drum ten dollars to be paid out of my
estate after the death of my wife, Seventh I will and bequeath
to my son John L. Cree, all the Land I own & have Chittawney
two hundred & sixty three Aers more or less all coming
excepting the five or six acres off for my daughter
Mary & family they are to have & hold as long as she lives then

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than to fall back as aforesaid, Said John L. Cree is to have
the land as aforesaid for ever by him taking care of me and
my wife as long as she live & see that neither suffers, but be
attended to as is needed & wanting, as old people require to be
attended to at all times, I nominate and appoint John L. Cree
& Eli Drum my Executors of this my last, will and Testament
this 25 Day of February 1850, Signed Sealed & Acknowledged
in the presence of us
Eli Drum
J. D. Humphreys
James Cree Seal
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