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Be it remembered, that I Thomas Pugh of North Carolina Chatham County knowing the uncertainty of my earthly existence and that it is appointed unto all men once to die; do make and ordain this my last will & testament in manner & form following (Wig)

Item 1st I give & bequeath unto my daughter Mary bloody the sum of Five Hundred Dollars.

Item 2nd I give and bequeath unto the children of my dear daughter Elizabeth Lamb collectively the sum of Five hundred Dollars.

Item 3rd I give and bequeath unto my daughter Lydia Mendonhall the sum of Five Hundred Dollars.

Item 4th I give & bequeath to my daughter Rachel Pugh to her and her heirs and assigns forever the South half of my lands to be divided equally by an impartial man.

Item 5th I give & bequeath to my grandson Abner Lamb the South half of my lands including the houses where I now live to him his heirs and assigns forever.

Item 6th It is my will that all of my property of whatever kind or nature and not otherwise disposed of be sold by my Executors hereafter named & the proceeds thereof together with my notes, bonds, cash, and accounts be equally divided amongst all my children namely, Mary bloody & the Lamb's children collectively, Rachel Pugh, Elizabeth Pugh & Lydia Mendonhall and if then should not be enough to fill up the three first mentioned bequests; then & in that case it is my will that they be reduced in proportion to the sum bequeathed.

Item 7th I do hereby nominate constitute and appoint John Wood James bloody sole Executor of this my last will & testament in writing & the said Thos. Pugh having come to set my hand and seal this second day of the first month in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred & forty four.

Signed sealed and pronounced by the said Thomas Pugh to be his last will & testament in person of

Lucian Diemer
John D. Allen
Peter Allen Jr

Thomas Pugh

Chatham County May Session 1846.

His certifies that the foregoing last will & testament of Thomas Pugh deceased was proved in open Court by the oath of Lucian Diemer a subscribing witness & Thos. D. Allen of the County Clerk & James bloody a subscribing witness & ordered to be recorded & entered upon James bloody & Thos. D. Allen of the County Clerk & James bloody a subscribing witness in open Court duly qualified.

John M. Madison 6.6.6

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Be it remembered that I Peter Allen of North Carolina Chatham County being sick & weak in body and knowing that it is appointed unto all men once to die; I do hereby make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following (Item) I will and direct that my Executors hereafter named to pay all of my just debts and other necessary expenses Item 2nd As my beloved wife Rebecca Allen has a prospect of removing with my children and settling in the territory of Iowa and it is my will and desire that they do so, and that she be furnished with a sufficient outfit for their journey, (viz a wagon horse, gearing and such bedding and other furniture as she may deem necessary and also their necessary travelling expenses and it is my will that the above named property be hers absolutely (Item 3rd) It is my will that all of my property not otherwise disposed of be sold by my Executors hereafter named and the proceeds thereof together with my cash bonds and accounts be equally divided amongst all of my children namely, Mary bloody Julia Allen Genora Hadley Allen, and my dear infant daughter my wife Rebecca to have a child's part - Item 4th I do hereby appoint my Father-in-law Joseph Hadley of Iowa Territory Guardian for my children above named to receive from my Executors hereafter named their legacies, (whose Rent shall be his sufficient Receipt) and apply the same as he may think for their best advantage either by purchasing land for them or by delivering to each of them their respective shares when they shall have arrived to the age of twenty one years - And lastly I do hereby nominate constitute and appoint James bloody sole Executor of this my last will and testament in writing, whereof I the said Peter Allen have hereunto set my hand and seal this sixth day of second month in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and forty six.