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The last will and Testament of Josias Nicholson deceased
Exhibited and proved at November term 1818

In the name of God, amen. I Josias Nicholson of the county of Currituck and State of North Carolina, being in reasonable health and of perfect mind and memory, thanks be to God for it, which I do make this instrument of writing, my last will and Testament; and calling to mind that it is ordained for man once to die, I do dispose of what little estate it hath been pleased God to give me, in the following manner. Item. The first of all I give and bequeath unto my son James Nicholson Ward all land, also three feather beds, and all the rest of my estate within doors and without, to him and his heirs forever. (Excepting the use of my estate to my wife Franky Nicholson her natural widowhood. And I leave my wife Franky my whole Executor to this my last will and Testament. In witness whereof, I have herunto set my hand and fixed my seal this twenty third day of September one thousand eight hundred and ten.

Signed, sealed and pronounced, (signed) Josiah Nicholson (Seal)
 in the presence of us
 Dorcy Dauge Seal
 Frances F. Dauge
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Recorded and Examined the day of

The last will and Testament of Thomas Simmons deceased
Exhibited and proved at February term 1819

In the name of God, amen. I Thomas Simmons of the county of Currituck, being sick and weak in body, but of a sound disposing mind and memory, and calling to mind that it is appointed for man once to die and after death a Judgment, and wishing to dispose of my worldly property which I am about to do in the following manner. First I recommend my soul to Almighty God who first gave it me, and as touching my worldly estate, I dispose of it in the following manner. Item. I give unto my sister Susannah Boyner one hundred dollars to her and to her heirs forever. Item. I give unto my sister Susannah Boyner's children the sum of seven hundred and fifty dollars for the purpose of educating them, when they arrive at a sufficient years of age to receive schooling, and that the money shall remain in the hands of my said executor hereafter mentioned until they shall need it for to pay for their schooling, and the said money shall only be taken out of his hands as it is needed to pay for their education, and for no other purpose, to them and their heirs forever. Item. I give to Thomas S. Simmons the sum of three hundred dollars for the purpose of educating him when he comes to arrive to the age sufficient to receive his education to him and to his heirs forever. Item. I give unto Nicholas Lunn, Rebe Lunn, Polly Lunn and

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William Lunn, Susannah Lunn, John Lunn, Elizabeth Lunn the sum of six hundred dollars to be equally divided between them and to their heirs forever. Item. I give unto and to Esther Lunn fifty dollars, to her and to her heirs forever. Item. I give unto Polly Sanderson the wife of Thomas Sanderson the sum of fifty dollars to her and to her heirs forever. Item. I have the remainder of my estate in the hands of my Executor hereafter mentioned for the purpose of paying my just debts, and if a balance should remain after my debts is paid, I give the said balance or sum to my executor hereafter mentioned, let the balance what it will, to him and to his heirs forever. My reason for doing this is that he has always proved kind and obliging to me both in sickness and in health and I do this for the respect I bear unto him for the same, and if the said balance shall fall short of paying my debts, it is my wish desire that the sum wanting should be redrafted from the above gifts of Thomas S. Lunn and the gifts to my sister Susannah Boyner's children equally alike. — I do nominate, constitute make and appoint my friend Thomas Sanderson my whole and Executor of this my last will and Testament, disavowing all other will or wills heretofore by me made, and ratifying and confirming this to be my last will and Testament. In witness whereof I do hereunto set my hand and seal this 17th day of January 1819

Signed, sealed, published and
 declared by the Testator to be (signed) T. Simmons (Seal)
 his last will and Testament
 in presence of us
 John F. Hamilton Seal
 Michael F. Neal

Recorded and examined the day of

The last will and Testament of Daniel Tolson deceased
Exhibited and proved at May term 1819

In the name of God, Amen. I Daniel Tolson of the State of North Carolina and county of Currituck, being very sick and weak in body, but of perfect mind and memory, thanks be given unto God, calling unto mind the mortality of my body, and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, do make and ordain this my last and Testament that is to say, 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 a decent Christian burial, at the discretion of my executor, nothing doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God. And as touching such worldly estate wherewith I hath pleased God to bless me in this life I give, devise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form. First, I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Mary Tolson one riding horse, ^{one} saddle and bridle, and one cow and cow live (during her widowhood) and the other half I give unto my beloved son Valentine Tolson, also I give unto my daughter Charlotte ^{one} wheel and one ewe sheep, also I give unto my grand son James Midgett fifty acres of land in the Savanney, joining Andrew Burroughs line. also I give unto my grand son Benjamin Tolson when he arrives

at the age of twenty one years, one piece of land where Solomon Midgett now lives; also I give unto my son Valentine Tolson one boat and materials, and two guns, and one half of the netp and the other half to my wife Mary Tolson, and all my other property in doors and out doors. I give unto my son Valentine Tolson. Also make Substitute and beain William Wade and my son Valentine Tolson sole executors of this my last will and Testament, and I do hereby utterly disallow revoke and disannul all and every other former Testaments wills legacies, bequests and executors by me in any wise before named, willed and bequeathed, 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 fifteenth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and nineteen.

Signed, sealed, published, pronounced and declared by the said Daniel Tolson as his last will and Testament in the presence of each other subscribed our names.

William Wade Jurat by Major Blank Recorded and examined the 12th day of June Anno Domini 1819 J. Posters & Co.

The last will and Testament of Edny Brasley dec^d Exhibited and proved at May term 1819

In the name of God. Amen. This twenty fourth day of January 1819. I Edny Brasley of the state of North Carolina, and county of Currituck, being of sound mind and memory, thanks be to god for the same, and knowing the uncertainty of this life, do make and ordain this my last will and Testament, in form following, that is to say, I recommend my soul to the almighty god, that give it, hoping to receive pardon for all my sins, and my body to be buried in such manner as my friends shall think fit, and my worldly goods I give in manner and form following. Item I give to my daughter Fidelity Brasley one negro named Dick, to her and heirs forever, and her grand mother Lydia Brasley to have the benefit of the said negro during her life, on the provision that she keeps this child Fidelity Brasley and raises it, and if the child should then die without heir, my will is that the negro should then belong equally among my brother and sister, namely, Samuel Brasley, Nancy White and Mordcai Brasley, to them and their heirs forever. Item I give to daughter Fidelity Brasley all the property that fell to me from my fathers estate, and one chest. Lastly I nominate, constitute and appoint my brother Samuel Brasley, my whole and sole executor of this will and Testament to see the same done and performed. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twenty fifth day January 1819.

Signed, sealed and declared to be my last will and Testament in presence of us (signed) Edny Brasley Test. Rhoda & Co. Jurat by Mordcai Brasley Recorded and examined the 12th day of June Anno Domini 1819 J. Posters & Co.

The last will and Testament of John Church dec^d Exhibited and proved at May term 1819

In the name of God. Amen. I John Church of the county of, being weak of body, but of a sound memory, thanks be to god, calling unto mind the mortality of my body, and knowing that it is appointed for all men to die, I do make and ordain this my last will and Testament, that is to say, principally and first of all, I give and recommend my soul into the hands of almighty God that give it, and my body I recommend to the earth, to be buried in a christian like manner. such worldly estate wherewith it has pleased god to give me in this, and dispose of the same in the following manner and form. First. I leave my just debts to be paid out of my property. I then bequeath Elizabeth Church my dearly beloved wife, all my lands and moveable property, all without doors and within doors, to have and to hold during my widowhood, and after my death, my property equal divided among my children; and if my widow and daughter can't make out, to sell as much of the property real or personal, as will maintain said widow and children. I do hereby declare and appoint my dearly beloved wife and Moses Burnell to my last will and Testament as Executors to my will. Given under my hand and seal this 20th of March 1819.

Test Charles Sawyer Jurat by Moses Burnell (signed) John Church Seal Recorded and examined the 12th day of June Anno Domini 1819 J. Posters & Co.

The last will and Testament of Burroughs Matthias dec^d Exhibited and proved at May term 1819

In the name of God. Amen. I Burroughs Matthias of the county of Currituck, and state of North Carolina, being sick in body, of sound mind and memory, do make declare and publish this my last will and Testament, in manner following. Item. It is my will and desire that all my just debts be paid as soon after my death as may be. Item I lend unto my wife Chloe the use of the whole of my estate during her widowhood (after paying my just debts) with the proviso that she keep and raise my children free from charges. Item I give unto my son John Matthias the whole of my swamp land, unto him and his heirs forever, and after the death of my wife Chloe, it is my will that what remains of my personal estate be equally divided between my three youngest children, namely, Abi, Simon and William. I nominate my wife Chloe and my son William my whole and sole Executors of this my last will and Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the 23rd October in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and eighteen.

Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of us (signed) Burroughs Matthias Seal David Jones Jurat by S. W. Hughes Recorded and examined the 12th day of June Anno Domini 1819 J. Posters & Co.