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State of North Carolina Currituck County
In the Name of God Amen. I John Humphreys of the
County of Currituck, being through the abundant Mercy
and goodness of God, this week in body, yet of sound and
perfect understanding and Memory, do constitute this
my last will and Testament and desire it may be received
as such. First I humbly bequeath my soul to God my
Maker and desire my Burial may be decent without
Comp or as to my worldly Estate I will and order first
that all my Just debts be paid

I Give and bequeath unto my son John Humphreys the
Plantation and Land where I now live beginning of the
North River near Indian Town Bridge at a Marked Log
Cypress a part of the wharf at the edge of the water then
a straight course to a Walnut Tree near my store
House then along the main Road to a White Oak the
Corner between Thomas Williams & myself then along
my new Road that I made to divide my land between
my son John and my Daughter Lydia, to John
and Thomas Sawyers line then binding on Sawyers
line to John Simmons line then binding on
Simmons line along Deep Run or Sam's Run
to the North River then up the North River as the River runs
to the first station to him and his heirs lawfully begotten
of his Body for ever, I Give and bequeath unto my
beloved son John Humphreys all and singular
that Land Plantation Swamp &c. where in my deceased
Brother Thomas Humphreys lived until his death
lying and being in the County of Camden near the
Cotton house unto him my son John his heirs lawfully
begotten of his Body for ever, I Give and bequeath
unto my son John Humphreys a piece of Land and
Swamp lying between North River and John Danges

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Orchard beginning at a Gum then running across the
point binding on Danges line to a Gum then binding
on Danges line to North River then up the River as
the River runs to Danges line then binding on Danges
line to the first station unto him his heirs law-
fully begotten of his Body for ever
I Give and bequeath unto my son John Humphreys
one third part of a Cypress Swamp beginning at the
water Baileys line then running up North River to
Danges line then binding on Danges line one
third part of the distance to the high land then
turning various courses so as to include on this
part of the Swamp to Baileys line then binding
on Baileys line to North River the first station to
him and his heirs lawfully begotten of his Body
for ever. I Give and bequeath unto my son
John Humphreys one Negro boy named Dumas
one Negro Girl named Amy one young barrel mare
one Pommel and Saddle two feather Beds and furni-
ture unto him his heirs for ever
I Give and bequeath unto my beloved Daughter
Lydia Humphreys one tract of Land East of that
tract of Land I bought at Mr. Macknight's sale
to the North and East of John Humphreys New
Road beginning at John and Thomas Sawyers
line at an old Elm stump then running and
binding on Sawyers line to Sam's Run then
binding on Griffith Danges and other lines
to the Turbes line then binding on Mr. Jones
line to the New Road then along the New Road to
the first station unto her and her heirs lawfully
begotten of her body for ever

I Give and bequeath unto my beloved Daughter Lydia
Humphreys one Negro Girl Named Lucy one Negro
boy Named Jack one Good Mare and her colt
six Cows and Calves if not Calves to make the Number
have yearlings instead thereof Two feather bedsteads
Furniture one small Mahogany Table and
two and two pairs for ever

I Give and bequeath unto my beloved Daughter
Nancy Humphreys one tract of Land Plantation
Marsh &c that is situated on Spring and Spring on
Churches Island between James Whites land and
Joseph Grays land and so from land to Bay
unto her and her heirs lawfully begotten of her
body for ever I Give and bequeath unto my
Daughter Nancy Humphreys one third part of
a Tract of Marsh Land Marsh &c called Deep Creek
and the other two thirds I Give and bequeath
unto my son John and my Daughter Lydia
to be Equally divided between my three Children
John Lydia & Nancy unto them their heirs
Lawfully begotten of their bodies for ever
I Give and bequeath unto my Daughter Nancy Humphreys
one Negro Woman named Rose one Negro Man named
Solomon one Negro Girl named Hannah one Negro
boy named Jerry six Cows & Calves on Churches
Island and the Cows & Calves is to be left on the
Plantation and taken care of and stock raised
for the Benefit of my Daughter Nancy it is
my will and desire that Rose stay on Churches
Island in the Kitchen room where she

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Commonly stays and labour and take care of the
Stock for the Benefit of my Daughter Nancy until
the corn of age or mows if it is any day before
the mows or corn of age then the property is
to be Equally divided between my son John &
Daughter Lydia Two feather beds & furniture
which Negroes Stock & beds mentioned I Give unto
her the said Nancy Humphreys her heirs lawfully
begotten of her body for ever
My Will and desire is that my beloved wife Mary
Humphreys be not interrupted from living
occupying the house we now live in during her
Widowhood and one third part of the land & Plan-
tation agreeable as the law point out and it is my
Will and desire that my beloved Wife Mary Hum-
phreys have the Use of the following property
during her Natural life that is to say Sundry
Marshes Salt & her own mare that she may heretofore
have; six Cows & Calves if there is not Calves
to make the Number to have yearlings to make
the Number one yoke of Oxen & or cart one
bag horse James one bag mare & or cart one
young horse one and a half years old have
four fatt hogs that is at the Island have twenty
hogs of her choice that is at Indian Town
five Cows & a Team on Star that is lame in one
foot, Fifty Barrels of Corn all the Sugar Coffee
Molasses Rum & Brand that I have laid in for our
winter Stores three Cloves & Jacks four Hoes three
axes one for John Wedges one Grindstone one
hand Mill Ten Bushels salt all the Wheat in
the Sconce House two Iron pots

one Spider too for Day soon one candle stand one
tea table one large square table all the sitting
chairs one bar of iron one chest, Biscuit Dish
& plates enough for house Cail's tub & Diggins
one Case knives & forks Table and Tea spoons one
Linnen Wheel one wooling Wheel one written cards
one pressed cards one Loom gears & flays one
Hundred weight of flax from the Brake

My Will and desire that the following Lands swamp
&c be sold to raise Money to pay of my just debts
one tract of land up Culler Creek that I bought of
Isles Simmons one tract of Swamp & Marsh
at the head of Cowenock Bay one tract of Land
and Swamp back of William Salapars &
Joseph Gray Land twenty five Acres one tract
of Swamp called the Lorrel Swamp the piece West
of Mr Joseph Forebee tract of Juniper Swamp
up the head of East Creek that I bot. of Jeremiah
Mower Sen. one tract of Juniper Swamp up
the head of North River that I bot. of James Forebee
all the New Entries to be sold as the now stand
and the rest proceeds arising from the sales
of the Entries all but one up the head of East
Creek one half of which belongs to Mr Isles
Simmons one tract of Susquehanna Swamp very
valuable in Camden County down North River near
Lough the swamp West of Capt James Dundas. now lies
the Negro Smith sold and other property to be sold on the
same terms to pay my just debts on Negro Woman
named Sabe one Negro Man named Tom blind one
Negro girl named Ester without one Daughter
Lydia would prefer Ester rather than the Girl

Lucy which I have given her Lucy may be sold to
Ester and Ester become the property of Lydia
the room of Lucy & Lydia please to charge so the
gift of Lucy is void and Ester becomes the property of my
Daughter Lydia the above mentioned Land and Marsh
all that I mean to have to be sold of my property
acquired myself now I go on my stock of all kinds
Plantations Tools furniture Lumber my Apple Pies from
best of the Corn peas and every other article that I have not
already given away to my beloved Children and leave
to my beloved wife Mary Humphreus all which that I
have mentioned to be sold to pay of my just debts should
there be a residue my will and desire that the Balance be
equally divided between my three Children John Lydia &
Nancy Now I go on the property of Decatur North Carolina
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that tract of Land & where my brother lived that belonged
to my father, that tract I have given to my son John
the remainder of the lands Plantations &c that is not all
made given to my son John in Camden County my
will and desire that my son John Humphreus have
one half and the remainder be equally divided between
my two Daughters Lydia and Nancy Humphreus
the Lands Swamp &c that lies in the County of Camden
one tract on Flally Creek one tract of Susquehanna Swamp
near the Brothers owns two pieces of Susquehanna Swamp
lying near Neobegun Creek which are very valuable for
a floating fishery all these Lands and swamps is my
desire should be sold for the benefit of my Estate
I nominate and appoint my son John Humphreus
Thomas Cooper Forebee Joseph Forebee Samuel Forebee
& William Navel my lawfull Executors to act and
settle my business. Given under my hand and
Seal this 19th day of December 1795

John Humphreus & Seal
John Robinson Jr

Sam Jones -
Recorded and Examined this 14th day
of July 1796
Jr Wm Taylor Jg Cby