

last Will & Testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my
 hand & seal this 7th day of August Anno Domini 1799
 signed sealed published & declared Abraham & Sarah

in presence of
 Samuel White Richard & Examined this 27th
 William Bowdler Just day of March 1795
 Samuel White for W. Taylor Esq

In the Name of God Amen. I Joseph How of Cape Hatteras Edict
 being very sick and weak of body but of perfect mind and memory
 thanks be given to the mighty God calling to 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 Will and Testament
 that it to say principally and first of all I give and bequeath
 my soul into the hand of God that have it, and my body I
 recommend to the earth to be buried in decent Christian burial
 at the direction of my Executors nothing doubting but at
 the Universal Resurrection I shall receive the same again by
 the mighty Power of God and at last having such worldly
 Estate which with it 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 dearly beloved Wife Comfort How
 all my land Containing two hundred and fifty Acres and
 all my Cattle Beasts except ~~two~~ one Cow and calf
 that I give to Mary How, also my Sheep to my Wife Comfort
 How except twelve head six head of sheep I give to
 Joseph and six head of sheep I give to James Williams
 all my hogs two sows one year old barrow and nine shotter
 I give to my Wife Comfort How also I give unto Ezekiel Hooper
 my Boat a Red Oak and main sail and jib likewise I give to
 my Wife Comfort How my house household goods debt

and Moveables and on horse, also give to Keziah How one
 Bag and furniture Likewise I give unto John How one
 Shilling also I give unto William How one Shilling
 Likewise I constitute make and ordain Ezekiel Hooper
 and my Wife Comfort How my Executors of this my
 last Will and Testament and I do hereby utterly disavow
 revoke and disannul all and every other former Testaments
 with Legacies Bequests and Executors by me in any way
 before made, written and Bequests ratifying and confirming
 this and no other to be my last Will and Testament
 Witness my hand I have hereunto set hand and seal this
 twenty sixth day of December in the Year of our Lord
 one thousand seven hundred and Ninety four

Signed Sealed published
 pronounced and declared Joseph How
 by the said Joseph How
 as his last Will and Testament
 in the presence of us who in the
 presence of each other subscribed our Names
 John How Just
 Jacob Williams Just
 Catherine Hooper
 Clerk

Richard & Examined this 27th day of March 1795
 for W. Taylor Esq