In the name of God Amen. The Sixth day of June in the year of our Lord 1783 I Samson Simmons of Currituck County in the province of North Carolina Planter being very sick & weak in body but of perfect & sound disposing mind & memory thanks be given unto God therefore calling unto mind the Mortality of my body & knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die. Do make & ordain this my Last Will & Testament that is to say principally & first of all I give & recommend my Sole into the hands of God that gave it & for my body I recommend to the Earth to be buried in a Christian like & decent manner at the direction of my Executors hereafter named nothing doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God. & as touching such worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me with in this life, I give devise & dispose of the same in the following manner & form. Item I lend the use of all my Estate Lands & Tenements Goods & Chattles in doors & out to my dear & well beloved Wife Marvann Simmons during her natural life & after her decease to be equally devided among my Six Children Thomas, Sarah, John, Caleb, Mary & Gipe, And I do hereby further depute ordain constitute & appoint my said Loving Wife Marvann Simmons my only & sole Executrix of this my last Will & Testament & do hereby utterly disallow revoke & disannul all & every other former Testament Wills & legacies, bequests & Executors by me in any wise before this time named Will & bequeathed ratifying & confirming this & no other to be my last Will & Testament in Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal the day & year above written.

Signed Sealed published pronounced and delivered by the said Samson Simmons as his last Will & Testament in the presence of us the Subscribing Witnesses

Samson his mark Simmons (Seal)

Abahel Simmons Senr.
Thomas Simmons

Proved & Examined May 15th 1785
Jno. Hewes Clk

State of North Carolina
Pasquotank County } Thomas, John Robinson & Margret Robinson this day personally appeared before me & made Oath upon the Holy Tengelas of almighty God that Mary Robinson late wife of Thomas Robinson late of Pasquotank County & the daughter of Mary Robinson appeared to be in her proper senses December the 21st 1784. also the above said Mary Robinson deceased this life the 19th day of December 1784

John his mark Robinson
Thomas Robinson
Margret Robinson

Willis Shridge J.P.

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In the Name of God Amen. The twenty fourth day of December One Thousand seven hundred & Seventy seven I Nicholas Nichols being sick & weak of Body but of sound disposing mind & memory thanks be to Almighty God for it. And considering to remember the uncertainty of Estate of this Transitory Life, Every Man must yield to death when it shall please God to call him. Therefore commend my soul into the hands of Almighty God that gave it & my body to the ground to be buried in such Christian like manner as my Executors shall think necessary, and as touching & concerning what worldly Estate it hath pleased God to bless me with, I give & bequeath as follows (viz) Item I give & bequeath unto Elizabeth Glasgow One part or parcel of Land bought of Ann Cox & Caleb Cox her husband beginning at a Pine standing in Samuel Burnhams line thence running a straight course to the end of an old ditch thence along said ditch to the other end of the same thence on a straight line course the ditch round into the Gile Swamp to the extent of said tract of land for a division line between Elizabeth Glasgow & her Sister Franky Nichols being on the South East side of said land this I give unto said Ann & Caleb Cox her natural life then to descend to her Daughter Polly Glasgow & her Heirs forever. Item I give & bequeath unto Franky Nichols Daughter of Franky Nichols the remaining part of the above said tract of Land lying & being on the North West side of said division & being that part of the said Land where the House stands on to her & the Heirs of her Body forever, But if dying without Issue then to be equally devided to Marvann & Franky Nichols the Daughters of Franky Nichols — Item I give & bequeath unto James Nichols Son of Franky Nichols the Manor Plantation I now live on & all the land thereunto belonging except fifty acres of the said Land lying & being on the South side of the Plantation to him & his Heirs forever, But if dying without Issue then to be equally devided between all his Sisters after the decease of his Mother. Item I give & bequeath unto Olley Nichols Daughter of Franky Nichols fifty acres of Land & I now live on lying & being on the South side of the Manor Plantation I now live on. Also my whole right to that parcel of Land that I bought of Samuel Jones which was formerly the property of Robert Overton. Item I give & bequeath unto Nichols & Margaret Nichols Daughters of Franky Nichols all that tract of Land lying & being on the Northwest side of the main Road to be equally devided between them But if both of them should die without Issue then to be equally devided between the other Sisters. Item I give & bequeath unto James Nichols Son of Franky Nichols One Still only his Mother is to have the use of it & Still her liquor with her Utensils One long Gun called the Rifle Gun, One Chest of Tools One Small Spinnel Gun & One White Mare called Flower & Foal not to all her Increase One Negroe Boy named Tom to fall to him when he is of the age of Twenty One years, if he should die without Issue then the above mentioned Articles to be sold & the money equally devided between all his Sisters — Item I give & bequeath unto Polly Nichols Daughter of Franky Nichols One Negroe Girl called Dine but if she dies without Issue then the said Negroe Girl with her Increase if any to be sold & the money to be equally devided to her & Sisters. Item I give & bequeath unto Franky Nichols for her use my Utensils not to be sold nor Embezzled away But for the use of supporting the wants of children One Negroe Man named Tom & One Negroe Woman named Becky. But if the said Franky Nichols should die in the Minority of her Children or after the above named Negroe Man to fall to Margaret Nichols daughter of said Franky Nichols & the above mentioned Negroe Woman to her husband & the money applied to the use of bringing up the young Children till they are able to take care of themselves & the above said Negroe Woman should have any Increase the least child