

morality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for men once to die 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 unto the hand of Almighty God that gave it and as touching such worldly estate as cometh it hath pleased God to bless me in this life give divine and dispose of the same in the following manner and form that is to say To Hilby Dows and James Dows and Sarah Dows. Each one shilling sterling Likewise to John Dows I gave and bequath in witness sworn hundred acres of Land in the County and province of Maryland with the rest of my Estate only Sarah Dows my Wife to have a loan of the same during widowhood and acknowledge this to be my last will and testament and no other. Upin the 2nd day 1778. The above S^r John Dows and Sarah Dows the S^r Wife. To be executors. Signed and delivered in presence of us.

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John Cooper.

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Emanuel E. Dows.
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In the name of God Amen. I Edmund Duncan of the County of Duplin and State of N^c Carolina being of sound mind and memory, but coming to mind the morality of the Body and certainty of death and being desirous that all my affairs should be settled to my mind do make and ordain this to be my last will and testament in manner and form following Viz:- First I give and bequath to my well beloved wife Grace Duncan one Horse Bridle and saddle. Secondly. I give unto my son William Duncan, Edmund Duncan and George Duncan, and my daughter Anna Reaves five shillings each and no more. Likewise my Will is that my Grand Children the Offspring of my daughter Sarah Reaves dead. have no part of my estate, also my carpenter and Turner tools I will should be sold and the money arising therefrom to be applied to the payment of all my just debts and if any sum should remain to be disposed of as hereafter to be mentioned. The Residue and Remainder of my Estate consisting Horse, Cattle, Hogs and

sheep. Household Goods of every kind and plantation tools I give to my wife during her natural life or widowhood and then to be equally divided between my daughter Mary Brown, Grace Duncan and Cathon Reaves share and share alike, and if any sum should remain from the of my tools above mentioned my will is that it should be divided between my three last mentioned Daughters. Lastly I constitute and appoint my son Edmund Duncan and George Duncan to execute this my last will and testament. Revoking and disannulling all former or other Wills and declaring this and none other to be my last will and testament, in witness whereof I the Edmund Duncan have hereunto set my hand and seal this 13th day of September in the year of our Lord 1779. Signed sealed published and declared by the said Edmund Duncan to be his last will and testament in presence of: Ruben R. Norton }
Jachariah Harris }
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Edmund Duncan (Seal)

State of N^c Carolina }
Duplin County }

October Term 1779.

There was the within will proved in open Court by the Oaths of Jachariah Harris one of the subscribing witnesses thereto. And at the same time Edmund Duncan and George Duncan the Executors named in the said will came before the Court and Qualified as such according to Law and Letters were issued accordingly.

Test Wth Hickson C.C.

In the name of God Amen.

I William Hickson of the County of Duplin in the State of North Carolina, being at this time in perfect Health, and of sound disposing mind and memory thank be to God therefor. But being arrived to an advanced age and knowing that by the course of nature my latter end is near approaching have thought the present time the most proper and convenient to settle my temporal affairs, and to make such arrangements in my family Concerns