

remain less than six months in any one place and any of my children with whom she may live are to give her comfortable food and clothing suitable to her age and state of her health. and also I give to my wife Mary James all my Household furniture stock of every kind and plantation tools &c. I will that my negro girl Judy be considered in in my daughter Mary Leachys distribution. share of my negroes. I would not have it construed that Parson Lande given to my son Gabriel H. (the purchaser from I Pearse as sheriff), should intitled Thomas L. to said Pearse place as it is given to said Gabriel. And to my friend Thomas Shippard twenty silver dollars to be paid by my Executors two years after my death. I will that one dollar be given to the daughter of James Bailey of Bladen County. Said Bailey was formerly a merchant at haul park and I do hereby nominate and appoint my beloved friends Jeremiah Pearse James Carr and Gabriel Holmes Executors - my wife Mary James Executor to this my last will and Testament. Revoking all others do declare this my Last will and Testament. In Testimony I James James have hereunto set my hand and fast my seal this 14th day of March 1790. Signed, Sealed, Published and declared in presence of us the subscribers. Tho Rutledge Senr. William Johnston. Joseph Johnston. James James (Seal)

State of N^c Carolina } October Term 1796.
Duplin County }

There was the within will of James James deceased exhibited unto Court and proved in due form of Law by the oath of Thomas Rutledge Senr one of the subscribing witnesses thereto. And at the same time Jeremiah Pearse one of the Executors named in the said will and Mary James the Executrix came before the Court and declared as such according to Law. Ordered that letters issue accordingly.

Test W^m Dickson C. C.

In the Name of God amen I Amos Johnson of the State of North Carolina and County of Duplin being weak in body. but of perfect mind and memory thanks be to God for it. do make and ordain this my last will and testament as follows. my soul I give to almighty God that gave it me at first and my body to the Earth to be buried in a decent and Christian like manner at the discretion of my Executors and survivors. And as touching my worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me with in this life I dispose of in manner and form as follows viz:- Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary Harris and to the heirs of my daughter Rezin Hardisty my plantation on North River in Carteret County. Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Mary Harris and to the heirs of her body one Negro man named Tony but my Executors shall have power to hire out the said negro Tony and the money from the use of my daughter and her children. Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Rezin Hardisty and to her children one negro woman named Pharon and also one girl named Jella and one boy named Jack. Item I bequeath unto my wife Sapphired during her natural life or widowhood one feather bed and furniture one cow and calf one Duck, over one cedar chest two plates, one basin one square table also meat fat and bread corn for the seasoning. also two two year old hogs one sow and pig, three geese some cotton one lime wheel & at her decease for there to be returned to my daughter in law Sarah Lauer - I then my desire is that my four youngest children. shall find my wife Sapphired a sufficient support during her life or widowhood. Item I give unto my son William Johnston the following articles and to his heirs Lawfully begotten the plantation wherupon I now live also two hundred acre of land I bought from William Pickett also seventy five acre of land on the South of Cypress Creek also one negro

man named James and another negro man called Jim our negro boy called Jim I gave to my son all of my hogs raised about home also our cart and wheels, our ox, chain, two plows, four hoes, to our one large chest our cupboard. I then I give and bequeath unto my friend Gideon Carter my black tools and bells also one hundred and sixty acres of land lying on the East side of Cypress Creek that I bought from Charles James one feather bed and furniture two two year old heifer. I then I give and bequeath unto my daughter Virginia Jim one negro woman named Anna also one girl called Chole and her increase to my daughter and her heirs Lawfully begotten of her body also five cows and calves six ewe. I then I give and bequeath unto my daughter Peggy Waller one hundred and seventy five pounds which was the price of Peter which Waller has received one hundred and twenty five pounds of the money also one feather bed and furniture that I live on. I then I give and bequeath unto my grandson Amos Waller one negro girl named Hannah after his mother decess and to his heirs Lawfully begotten and further I give and bequeath unto my three daughters Mary Harris, Virginia Jim Peggy Waller one negro woman called Rachel one girl called Anne. I then I give and bequeath unto my daughter Sarah Murry two negro girls named Ben and Lanny to her and her heirs Lawfully begotten. I then, my desire is that my houses shall be Equally divided between my three daughters Virginia Jim and Peggy Waller and Sarah Murry. I then I give and bequeath unto my grandson Amos Harris two hundred acres of land lying on the East side of Cypress Creek joining the Lake. that I bought from James Lannier also three cows and calves one goose open. but the above mentioned land that I left to my grandson Amos Harris my desire is that Nathan Scarborough shall have the use there

of seven years after my decess only thirty acres of the same land whomever the said Scarborough now dwells but not to make sale no lease the same to another person. I then my desire is that Reuben Mubs shall live when he now dwells seven years after my decess on my land on the Lake but not have power to lease or sell I then. My desire is that after my just debts is paid that the hole of my Estate that is not mentioned in my will shall be Equally divided between each of my children that is now living and also that the heirs of my daughter Kergia Hard shall receive her part and further as appoint and ordain Nathan Waller and my son William Johnston and Arthur Murry my hole and soul Executors to this my Last will and testament. And by these presents I do revoke and reverse and disavow and disannul all other wills and forms of wills and constitute this my last will and testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and fixed my seal this 25 of September in the year 1801. Test: W^m Hollingsworth, Bird Lannier.

Amos Johnson (Seal.)

State of N^C Carolina } April Term 1802.
Duplin County

Then was the within will proved in open Court in due form of Law by the oath of William Hollingsworth one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, and at the same time Nathan Waller and Arthur Murry two of the Executors named in the said will came before the Court and Qualified as such according to Law. Orders that Letters issue accordingly.
Test. W^m Dickson C. C.

In the Name of God Amen. I John Jones of the County of Duplin and State of N^C Carolina, Being sick in body but of perfect sound mind and memory thanks be to God for it, and calling to mind and