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on to the back line his John Mc Cause Sr and mine  
thence along the same to pasture Branch thence down  
the same to John's corner in the road and on east  
and calf on Fumelle But. Next I leave to my son  
William Mc Cause one hundred acres in the big  
pecorin patented by me and a small piece of Land  
including Dunes Landing Namely 15 acres pat<sup>d</sup> by  
me and about twenty acres the remainder of the eighty  
acre flag survey. Item - I give and bequeath to my  
son Jack Mc Cause a piece of Land including his  
field beginning in my father's old Line running with  
John's dividing Line and mine up to corner parallel  
with the upper corner of the Dual field to a corner for  
that purpose running parallel with this end of the  
Dual field fence a direct and straight Line corner  
on the Little pecorin. Item - I give and bequeath  
to my son Ethaniel Mc Cause all the Rest of my Land  
including where I live not mentioned in any of the  
afo<sup>re</sup> said one small dark bay man household and  
kitchen furniture Plantations tools Provided he stay  
on the plantation and provide for and take care of  
his mother so long as she lives. Item I give to my  
Daughter Susan the other cow and calf running on Fumelle  
But and two two year old &c. I Leave to my Daughter  
Nancy Cherry her yard &c. my boots, saw, clock, shap, shap  
tools, slat traps old gun and mule's track too tedious  
to mention to be sold to pay my debts and if any  
Remains to be equally divided between my my three  
daughters Equally and all Lastly I leave and thank  
my son and my son James Mc Cause his assistant  
Executors. Signed Sealed and Delivered in presence of  
us Eli <sup>his</sup> Grant. Hugh <sup>his</sup> Pickett. Signed by me.

William Mc Cause.

North Carolina } August Term 1832.  
Dublin County } There was the within will proved in open  
Court by the Oaths of E. Grant and Hugh Pickett the subscribing  
witnesses and ordered to be recorded and at the same time  
Athaniel and James Mc Cause Qualified

as Executors &c.

Let Jas Pearce Tell

In the Name of God Amen I Edward Mathis the  
Elder of Duplin County and State of North Carolina  
being of sound and perfect memory tho' of a weak and  
frail Body and calling to mind the uncertainty  
of life and knowing that it is appointed for all men  
once to die do constitute and appoint this my  
last will and Testament Revoking and Rescinding  
all others heretofore made. I Primitiv I recommend  
my Soul into the hands of Almighty God beseeching  
his most gracious exception of it I give my body  
to the ground from whence it was first taken and rest  
in hope of its resurrection to eternal life, as to my  
burial I desire it may be done without pomp or  
pride according to the discretion of my Executors  
Hereafter named as to my worldly Estate it hath pleased  
God to bestow me with. I give and devise in manner  
and form following. Item, I will that my just debts  
be paid before my Estate is distributed. Item, I leave  
to my wife Mary Mathis all my Lands with the  
Profits thereunto belonging during her natural Life and  
after her Decease I give and bequeath the same to  
my son Harmon Mathis to him and his heirs and  
assigns forever. Item, I give and bequeath to my  
Daughter Sarah Lanier Five Pounds Sterling. Item I  
give and bequeath to my son John Mathis my negro  
fellow Peter to him his heirs and assigns forever.  
Item I give and bequeath to my son Rice Mathis my  
negro boy Isaac to him his heirs and assigns forever.  
Item, I give and bequeath to my Daughter; Tongue Goff  
my girl Ch. to her and her heirs forever. Item, I give and  
bequeath to my Daughter Elizabeth Elkins my negro  
girl Jane to her and her heirs forever. Item, I give  
and bequeath to my Daughter Fannie Fumelle my negro  
girl Hagar to her and her heirs forever. Item, I give  
and bequeath to my Daughter Maryanne Mathis my

negro girl Clary to her and her heirs forever. Item, I give and bequeth to my Daughter Salara Jeff my negro girl Amy to her and her heirs forever. Item, I give and bequeth to my Son Edmond Matthis my negro boy Riddick to him and his heirs forever. Item, I give and bequeth to my Son James Matthis my negro boy Buck to him and his heirs forever. Item, I give and bequeth to my Daughter Clark Matthis my negro girl Milie to her and her heirs forever. Item I give and bequeth to my Daughter Catha Matthis my negro girl Hannah to her and her heirs forever. Item I give and bequeth to my son Thomas Matthis my negro Boy Duplin to him and his heirs forever. Item I give and bequeth to my son Lazarus Matthis my negro Boy Lomus to him and his heirs forever. Item I give and bequeth to my Daughter Cliff Matthis my negro woman Turn to her and her heirs forever. Item I give and bequeth to my son Zachus Matthis my negro fellow Sam. to him and his heirs forever. Item I give and bequeth to my son Simon Matthis my negro fellow Brister to him and his heirs forever. Item I leave to my Beloved wife Mary Matthis my whole Estate during her life or widowhood after her decease what I have not yet bequethed to be Equally divided amongst my children all. Item I constitute and appoint my beloved wife Mary Matthis and my son John Matthis and my son Rice Matthis, Executors to this my Last will and Testament Ratifying and Confirming the same under my hand and seal this Eighteenth Day of April in the year of our Lord our Thousand Seven hundred and Eighty Three. Signed Sealed, and Delivered. In presence of us. Jethro Parker, Perez Johnston, John <sup>his</sup> Blanton <sub>mod.</sub>

Edmond Matthis Seal  
State of N<sup>c</sup> Carolina } October County 1783.  
Duplin County }  
There was the within will proved in open court in due form of Law by the oath of Jonathan Parker and Benjamin Johnston two of the subscribing witnesses

thereby. - and at the same time Mary Matthis, John Matthis and Rice Matthis the Executors therein named came before the Court and qualified as Executors according to Law &c. Ordered that Letters may issue accordingly.

Test W<sup>m</sup> Dickson C. C.

In the Name of God Amen. I Sarah Miller widow of Richard Miller, Late of Duplin County, Carpenter being sick and infirm but of sound memory thanks be to God for the same and knowing its appointed for all to die and being willing to leave Harmony among my children. In presence I commit my Body to the grave to be interred in a decent and Christian manner and my soul into the hands of my blessed Redeemer in hopes of a joyfull resurrection after my funeral Charges and just debts are paid the residue of my Goods and Chattle and all the worldly wealth I do give and bequeth unto my Sons George and Anthony Miller and their heirs, Share and Share alike in an Equal Proportion. Revoking all former Wills by me made heretofore and In testament whereof I have heretofore set my hand and seal this 9<sup>th</sup> day of September 1766. Signed, Sealed, Pronounced and Declared the Last will and Testament in the presence of us. W<sup>m</sup> Horstine. Benjamin Rhoads. Ned Warley.  
Sarah <sup>her</sup> Miller Seal

In the Name of God Amen. The ninth day of march in the year of our Lord Christ our Thousand seven hundred and Eighty two I Jesse McLendon of Duplin County in the State of North Carolina being very sick and weak of Body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be given to God for the same and 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 is to