

Estate to him onto the children of my said daughter Sally Gibson. And it is further my will and desire that if the said Daniel Gibson should refuse to receive such two Negro Girls and give such discharge therow, or should sue or should sue for Bob or Squint, or any other slave or part of my Estate that in such case my son Stephen B. Herring retain the said two Negro Girls till such suit be determined and in case said Gibson should make any recovery for Bob or Squint, then the said two Negro girls shall be the property of the said Stephen B. Herring and his heirs and assigns forever. And whereas heretofore I did give to my Grandson Bryan Gibson a young bay mare. I now hereby Reaffir and confirm the same to him with all his incum for ever. Item. I give and bequeath to my daughter Pearson Gibson my Negro wench Jimmy, and the children of the said Jimmy as follows to wit:- To my grand daughter Sally Gibson, I give my negro boy Jack to her and her heirs forever. and to my grandson Terry Gibson, the first living child that the negro wench Jimmy may have to him and his heirs forever. and to my Grand daughter Charity Gibson the second living child that the said Jimmy may bring to her and her heirs forever. And to my Grand daughter Adella Gibson the third living child the said Jimmy may have, to her and her heirs forever. - and the said Jimmy and all the future issues which she may have shall be to my said daughter Pearson Gibson to her and her heirs and assigns forever. Item I give and bequeath to my son Stephen Bright Herring my two negro boys, Bob and Dandy, for which he is to purchase the two Negro Girls for Sally Gibson's children, before mentioned in lieu of Bob. which has been intended for my said daughter Sally Gibson in her life time, and also one feather bed & furniture to him and his heirs and assigns forever. I give & bequeath to my daughter Nancy now my negro boy Allen. and a negro girl of eight year old to be purchased for her by my son Alexander Herring, when he attains to full age of manhood, and the said Nancy shall to have the use of my negro girl Tilla till such Negro girl be purchased for her & delivered her. Item I give and bequeath to my son Alexander

Herring my my Negro boy Squire and my two Negro girls Cato and Tilla and our feather bed and furniture, and my young son Tom, to him and his heirs and assigns for ever. Lastly. I nominate, constitute and appoint my son Stephen Bright Herring and Alexander Herring Executor to this my my last Will and Testament, hereby utterly disannulling and Revoking all other Wills and Testaments by me heretofore made, deeming this are no other to be my last will and Testament. Signed, Sealed, Published, Promised and Acknowledged by the Testator to be his last will and Testament in the presence of us who were present at the time whereof. Interlined between the Seventh and Eighth line in the second page before signed. Wm Dickson James Hart Willis Herring Sarah Room.

Stephen Herring *(Signature)*

State of NC Carolina) October Term 1797.

Duplin County | There was she within will proved in open Court in due form of law by the oath of William Dickson and Sarah Room two of the subscribing witness thereto. And at the same time Stephen B. Herring and Alexander Herring the Executors named in the said Will came before the Court and qualified as Executrix according to law. - Ordered that letters issue accordingly.

Seal. W^m Dickson C.C.

I Nicholas Hester of Duplin County, planter being weak in body but of sound mind and recollecting the uncertainty of this life do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner following that is to say. First I most earnestly recommend my soul to almighty god hoping for a favorable reception into the mansions of eternal bliss through the merits of my mediator and savior Jesus Christ and my Body to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executors herein after named. Next. I leave unto my three sons Harry and Nicholas and Edward all my lands and improvements to be equally divided between them or the survivors of them if they should

begin it at the time the oldest may arrive at
the age of twenty one years and for this my will is
that my said sons shall be bound to serve and
orderly mechanicks or tradesmen at the discretion of
my executors as soon as they may find it convenient.
Next, My will is that the negro man slave who
shall be sold by my executors or whomever they
may appoint as 12 months credit and the monies
arising from such sale to be applied towards the
purchase of two young female slaves for the use of
my two daughters Mary and Amy Hunter or the
survivor of them and I also will and request my
executors to use their endeavors to procure a
place in some Christian family so that they may remain
together for some time. And in order that all my
just debts may be paid and funeral expenses settled
my will is that all my horses, cattle, sheep, hogs, boated
furniture and plantation tools be sold at six months
credit in manner affors and the monies arising from
such sale together with the debts due me to be paid
and aples by my executors first. And Next I will and
request that my other three slaves Cesar, Jack, and
his wife Lucy be hired out annually and the monies
arising from such hire together with the rents of my
lands and improvements shall be equally divided
between the whole of my children at the time my oldest
son shall be of lawfull age. At which time in order
that equal justice may be done it is my will that
the slaves then living shall be valued and equally divided
between the whole of my children or the survivors of
them. And if the monies appropriated for the payment of
my just debts should be insufficient my will is that
the same shall be paid out of the first monies that
may arise from the hire of the slaves or rents of
lands. And Lastly I constitute and appoint ^{as} my
executors Alexander Dickson and Edward Pearall Gunter
of this my last will and testament hereby revoking and
disallowing all former or other wills. In testimony

whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed
my seal this 5th day of January 1791. Signed
Sealed, published, and declared to be the last will
and testament of Nicholas Hunter in presence
of - James Gillespie, Holden Magee, Edward Dickson.

Nicholas Hunter *[Signature]*

State of North Carolina } January Term 1791.
Duplin County } This was the within Will
proved in open Court by the oath of James
Gillespie and Holden Magee two of the subscribing
witnesses thereto, in due form of Law, and at the
same time William Hunter, Alexander Dickson and
Edward Pearall the executors named in the said
will came before the court and qualified according
to law. Ordered that letters issue accordingly.
Test. W.Dickson C.C.

In the name of God amen. I John Hargrove of
the State of North Carolina and the county of Duplin
being weak in body though of perfect mind and
memory thanks be given to god for the same do make
and ordain this my last will and testament in
the form following viz: - One mare four head of
young cattle, and ten head of hogs, I wish to
be sold and the money to be equally divided among
my children Eghth, Samuel, and Henry Hargrove. To
my wife Margaret ^{and} ^{dear} wife Margaret I give our feather bed. I leave to
my ^{dear} wife Margaret my plantation wherow I now
live for her to hold and enjoy during her widowhood
and after her marriage or death to be equally divided
between my two sons Lemuel and Henry Hargrove.
I likewise leave to my ^{dear} wife my negroes Dick Daniel
and Lucy and all of my other movable property that
I have not disposed of in this will above - after the
marriage or death of my wife Margaret then my
desire is that my son Lemuel has Daniel and my
son Henry, Dick and his increase. And to my daughter
Dick I give Lucy to take possession of her at her