

appointed for all time here to live, I do make and ordain
 in my last Will and Testament, That is to say principally
 and first of all. I give and recommend my soul into the
 hands of Almighty God that gave it, and my body I
 recommend to the earth to be buried in decent Christian
 burial at the discretion of my Executors; not doubting
 but at the general Resurrection I shall receive the same
 again, by the mighty power of God and as touching such
 worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me
 in this Life. I give devise and bequeath of the same in
 the following manner and term. Imprimis. I give and
 bequeath unto my beloved son Alexander Holden the
 Plantation wherein I now live with all Houses and
 Utensils thereunto belonging, and two Negro Sclaves named
 Dorian. Item. I do give and bequeath unto my Friend Jan
 Camble three cows and calves, one feather bed and furniture
 and the one? 3. Item I do give and
 bequeath unto my grand child John Holden one Negro which
 named Phillis. Item I give and bequeath unto my son-
 in-law Frederick Wells all my cloaths and wearing apparel.
 Item I do give and bequeath unto Frederick Wells Children, three
 cows and calves to each of them. Item I do give and bequeath
 the remaining of my Effects unto my loving son Alexander
 Holden aforesaid the whole to be managed and settled by
 Timothy Murphy and? I do appoint constitute make and
 ordain my Executors of this my last Will and Testament. I do further
 ordain and desire that my son Alexander Holden aforesaid will
 pay off all my debts and be them to possess and enjoy all the
 remainder part of my Estate as before given, and granted him, and
 I do hereby utterly disallow, revoke, and disannul all and
 every other former Testaments, Wills, Legacies, and bequests,
 and Executors, by me in any way before named, made, and
 requested, Ratified, and Confirming this, and no other to be my
 last will and Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto
 set my hand and seal the day and year above written. —
 Signed, Sealed, published, pronounced and declared by the said James
 Holden as his last will and Testament in presence of us, Edward
 Dickson, James Dickson, Patrick Rogers.

James Holden

In the Name of God Amen. I Thankfull His being of
 sound mind and memory thanks be to God for it and calling
 to mind the mortality of my body and knowing that
 it is appointed to all flesh once to die have thought
 proper to make and ordain this my last will and testament
 in manner and form follows. First I Bequeath my soul
 to Almighty God be that gave it and my body to be
 buried in a decent named. Item To my beloved grand
 daughter Ann Tillis I give two sows and Pigs and three
 two year old hogs. To my grandson Hix Mills I give one
 Bed and Sheet and blanket and one Chest. Item to
 my beloved daughter Rebecca Mills I give two beds
 and the furniture to them belonging and the rest of my
 Puts and the remaining Part of my hogs. Item to my
 granddaughter Thankfull Mills I give eight barrels of
 Corn and the remaining part of the crop to my
 daughter Rebecca Mills. Item to my four youngest
 grandchildren, Mary Mills, James Mills, Shadrach Mills,
 and Frederick Mills. I give to each, one cow and calf and
 the remaining part of my cattle to Rebecca Mills. Item
 to my granddaughter Thankfull Mills I give all my sheep
 and the little pot and hooks and four Chairs. Item I
 give to my grandson James Mills and Shadrach Mills
 each of them one mair colt and the remaining Part of
 My horse kind to be sold and the money put to interest
 and Equally divided in three parts giving James Mills and
 Shadrach Mills one third and the other two thirds to be
 divided between Mary Mills and Frederick Mills as they
 come of age to run it. Item I give to my granddaughter
 Thankfull Mills one hundred acres of land on the Broad
 Branch. Item I give to my grandson Shadrach Mills one
 hundred acres of land lying on the N^o Side of Lincolnton.
 Item I give to my grandson Hix Mills two Survey of land
 that joyneth the plantation I live on. Item I give to my
 granddaughter Thankfull Mills one Negro child named Lemia
 and the remaining part of My Estate after my just debts
 and funeral charges are paid I give My daughter Rebecca
 Mills and I do hereby ordain and appoint Robert

Southerland and James Mills, Executors of this my Last Will and Testament and I do hereby declare and promise this to be my Last Will and Testament, hereby revoking and renouncing do make void all other wills as gifts by me made in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal in presence of us. October the 27th 1784.
 Temple ^{his} _{mark} Lillor J. T. Rhodes.

Thompson ^{his} _{mark} Hicks ^(Seal)
 Joseph Thomas Rhodes Esq. Proved this will in Open Court the Jan^y Term in Duplin County. 1785.
 Thos Routledge Clk.

In the name of God amen. I Thomas Hicks. Being in Perfect health and of sound mind and memory thanks be to God therefore and calling to mind the mortality of my body knowing that it is appointed unto all men once to die have thought good to make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament. In witness. To my beloved wife I give the plantation whereon I now live and four Negroes viz Rose, Pleasant, Skunders and Mings together with five Cows and calve a yoke of oxen a riding horse two sets of all the Punter in the house and choice of the beds with the furniture thence belonging also as many Plantation tools as is necessary for her age to the own proper age and behoof during her life or while she remains my widow I also give her twenty head of hogs which hogs with the above mentioned cattle to be to her own disposal for ever. Item I bequeath to my only daughter Rebekah Mills four Negroes viz: Philip, Phillis, Clov and her Child and what Cattle is in her care at my decease together with the Plantation whereon she now lives for and during her Natural life and the 8^d Plantation I also bequeath to her Present husband James Mills for the time his life. Item. I give and bequeath to my grandson Hicks Mills after the decease of my wife the Plantation whereon I now live and a negro name: Saunders to him his heirs and assigns for ever. Item I give and bequeath to grandson Leonard Mills the Plantation where my daughter now lives after her decease and a Negro named Mingo after the decease of my Wife to him his

heirs and assigns for ever. Item. I give and bequeath to granddaughter Boudin Mills a bed and furniture and two head of cattle to her her heirs and assigns for ever. Item I give and bequeath to my grand daughter Thawp Mills a bed and furniture and two head of cattle to her her heirs and assigns for ever. Item. I give and bequeath to my grand children Rebekah Mills, Ann Mills, Louisa Mills, Bolly Mills and Sarah Mills two head of cattle each to them their heirs and assigns for ever. Item I bequeath the two before mentioned Negroes named: Rose and Pleasant left to my wife after her decease to my daughter Rebekah Mills during her life and then to be appointed and in or tax of my grand children to buy the other parts and the remaining part of my estate after my just debts and funeral charges are paid I leave to be Equally divided amongst my living grand children at the decease of my wife whom I leave and ordain my Executor of this my last will and Testament together with Robert Southerlin Jun. And I do hereby declare and promise this to be my last will and Testament hereby revoking and renouncing do make void all other wills by me made in witness whereunto I have set my hand and seal in presence of us. April the 16th 1775. Thos Ginesley, Moses Hanchey.
 Thomas Hicks ^(Seal)

In the name of God amen. I Thomas Hicks of Duplin County in the State of North Carolina, being now above seventy years of age and finding myself fast declining in my bodily health, and afflicted with many of the infirmities incident to so advanced an age; but blessed with a Retaining Memory and reasonable consideration of Reputation, and feeling a desire now to settle my temporal affairs, and to make such distribution of my Property (which God has blessed me with) amongst my family, as now seems most just and agreeable to me. For which purpose I now make and ordain this to be my last will and Testament, in manner following; that is to say. First it is my will and desire that all my