

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 therefor 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 Mingo 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 8th 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 sold or sold 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 bequeath to be equally divided amongst my living grandchildren at the decease of my wife whom I have and ordain my Executors 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 Gimesley, 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 about 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