

Southerland and James Mills, Executors of this my Last Will and Testament and I do hereby declare and Pronounce 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} Siller J. T. Rhodes.

Thankfull ^{his} _{mark} Hicks Seal
 Joseph Thomas Rhodes Esq. Proved this will in Open Court the Jan^y 2 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. Impaired. To my Beloved wife I give the plantation whereon I now live and four Negroes viz Rose, Pleasant, Skins and Mings together with five Cows and calves a yoke of oxen a riding horse two pots and all the Putter in the house and choice of the birds with the furniture thence belonging also as many Plantation tools as is necessary for her age to she 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 lend to my only daughter Rebekah Mills four Negroes viz: Philip, Phillis, Cloo 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 5th Plantation I also lend 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 Lemuel 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 Borden Mills a bed and furniture and ten head of cattle to her her heirs and assigns for ever. Item I give and bequeath to my grand daughter Thankfull Mills a bed and furniture and ten head of cattle to her her heirs and assigns for ever. Item. I give and bequeath to my grand children Rebekah Mills, Ann Mills, Lorena Mills, Bolly Mills and Sarah Mills ten head of cattle each to them their heirs and assigns for ever. Item I leave 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 one or two 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 grandchildren at the discretion of my wife whom I leave and ordain my Executor of this my last will and testament together with Robert Southwell Jun. And I do hereby declare and pronounce 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. Shewes Grimesly. 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 and 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

Southerland and James Mills. Execution 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.
 Joseph Thomas Rhodes
 Lessor J. T. Rhodes.

Thompsonfull ^{his} Hicks ^{mark} Seal.
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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 whereof I give the plantation whereon I now live and four Negroes viz Rose, Pleasant, Skundee and Mingo together with five cows and calves a yoke of oxen a riding horse two pots and all the Penter in the house and choice of the beds with the furniture thereto belonging also as many plantation tools as is necessary for his age to the own purpose and behoof during her life or while she remain 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 lend to my only daughter Rebekah Mills four Negroes viz: Philip, Philis, 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 S^d plantation I also lend to her Present husband James Mills for the term 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 Boulder 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 Thompsonfull 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, Lorena Mills, Botly Mills and Sarah Mills two head of cattle each to them their heirs and assigns for ever. Item I had 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 let 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 have to be Equally divided amongst my living grand children at the discretion of my wife whom I have and ordain my Executor of this my last will and testament together with Robert Southerland 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. Thomas Hicks Seal.
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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 and 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

just debts shall be paid out of such parts of my Estate as may be sold for that and other necessary purposes and such monies as may be found remaining after my decease. Secondly I bequeath to my beloved wife Susana Hooks during her life the use and benefit of all that part of my plantation which lies between Bear branch and Bear swamp including all my buildings, Orchards, &c. with the privilege of cutting fire wood and other necessary timber for the use of said plantation off any part of my other lands where she may find it most convenient to her. I also bequeath to my said wife Susana Hooks my negroes, Sam and his wife Betty and all their children, leaving it in her discretion to give up any of said negro children at any time she please to those of my children who may have a right by this will after her decease. I also bequeath to my said wife Susana Hooks, during her life, one yoke of work oxen (the youngest) and ox cart, with six cows and calves, six ewes and lambs, four sows and pigs, with all their increase; two feather beds and furniture (her choice) two Iron Pots; one Skillet a Lead kettle a frying pan, three Butter Dishes, three Basins, six Plates one Chest, one Case and nine bottles, two stone jugs, one pair of Cast and Iron, one Arm chair and three Windsor chairs, and half of all my Glass and Earthen ware, and knives and forks, and spoons; and half of all my cashes, and Coopers ware of every nature and kind whatsoever to be sorted out for her use in such manner as she & my Executors shall judge most necessary and proper. I also bequeath her during her life my Saddle horse and my mare called the Ritter Mare and all my Gun, but it is also my desire that any other articles which are not herein already named and bequeathed, which may be found of my Estate after my decease, shall be in their kind be equally divided and one half delivered to my said wife Susana for her use during her life. It is also my will that my Executors after my decease shall lay off and deliver to my said wife Susana Hooks, Corn and all other necessary provisions

sufficient for herself and family and stock for one year. Item I give and bequeath to my son David Hooks all my lands which I now at this time possess with all the improvements &c thereon. (Reserving to my wife Susana Hooks during her lifetime, the Plantation as above described) Also my Negro man Sam, and my negro Wench Bell, after my said wife decease, he paying into my Estate fifty pounds current money, to be disposed of as herein after directed. Also I give to my said son David Hooks, one feather bed and furniture, four cows and calves, three ewes and lambs one Negro wench named Lucy, one hand mill and one grind stone; and all the remaining part of my plantation tools of every kind which are not herein already given or bequeathed to my said wife; to him his heirs and assigns for ever. Item I hereby confirm to my daughter Susana McGowan one Negro wench Jim, and one Negro girl Candow, both of which I heretofore gave and delivered to her. I also hereby confirm to my grandson Thomas Jefferson McGowan a Negro girl child named Mia, which I heretofore gave and delivered to him. Item I give to my daughter Polly Stockett my Negro boy named Sam to her and her heirs forever. Item I give to my daughter Lavina Stockett my Negro boy named Manuel to her and her heirs for ever not to be sold from them. Item I give to my grandson Thomas Watkins my Negro boy Daniel to him and his heirs for ever. Item I give to my son Thomas Hooks my Negro man named Bob, to him and his heirs for ever. Item I give to my son William Hooks one silver dollar. Item I give to my son Charles Hooks one silver dollar. Item I give to the children of my son William Hooks one silver dollar. Item I give to my daughter Fanny Watkins one dollar. And whereas I heretofore bequeathed to my daughter Fanny Watkins my Negro wench Milly at the time of her marriage to James Watkins and the said wench Milly having since had, several children, to wit Jack, Harriot, Spicy, Lear, and Mary Ann. I now give and bequeath the said Negro wench Milly and her said five children with all her future increase to the children of my said daughter

Fanny Watkins to wit, Hedham and Thomas and James, together with such children as my said Daughter Fanny may hereafter have to them and their heirs equally forever. The negro boy Daniel herein already given to my grandson Thomas Watkins to be then considered in said division as to make all the children of my said Daughter Fanny equal. And it is my will and desire that all the property herein be to my wife Susana Hooks, and not herein disposed of, and all other of my property which after her death may be found shall be sold, or otherwise divided at the discretion of my Executors, and Equally divided amongst all my children to wit, William Hooks, Hillary Hooks, Charles Hooks, Thomas Hooks, David Hooks, Lavinia Hlocumbe, Polly Hlocumbe, Fanny Watkins and Susana W^c Jones, to them their heirs or assigns. And lastly I nominate, constitute and appoint my friend William Dickson and my son-in-law Gebiel Hlocumbe and my son David Hooks, Executors to this my last Will and Testament, hereby Revoking and utterly disannulling all other will or wills by me heretofore made, declaring this and no other to be my last Will and Testament. Signed, Sealed, Published, Pronounced and declared by the said Thomas Hooks to be his last will and Testament in presence of us this 7th day of November 1807. W^m C. Houston, ^{his} ~~mark~~ Pennington. W^m Dickson.

Thomas Hooks ^(Seal)

A. Roddie to the above Will. — 13th January 1823.
Thomas being the above Will was written my Negro Niece Betty has bore a girl child, named Lucy which is not bequeathed to any one of my children: It is my will that the said Negro child Lucy after my wife's decease, shall be sold by my Executors and by them delivered to any of my children who will chuse to have her at such valuation, and the said valuation money to be Equally divided amongst all my children above named. — Test Curtis Hooks, Hillary Hooks, W^m Dickson.

Thos Hooks ^(Seal)

State of N^c Carolina } April Term 1803.
Duplin County } The within will was duly proved in court by the oath of William C. Houston a subscribing witness

thereto. And at the same time Gebiel Hlocumbe and David Hooks two of the Executors named in the said Will, Qualified as such according to law, and letters were issued accordingly.

Test W^m Dickson Ck.

In the Name of God Amen February 27th 1822. I Martha Farnior of the County of Duplin and State of North Carolina being old and infirm as to my body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be to God for the same, Calling unto mind the mortality of the body and knowing that it is appointed for all mankind to die do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament. viz: Principally and first of all I resign my soul to God who gave it and my body I recommend to the Earth to be buried in a Christian like and decent manner: and as touching such worldly Estate wherewith it has pleased God to bless me with in this life I do dispose of as follows. I enjoin it in my Will and I do order that in the first place my funeral expenses and all my just debts be paid and satisfied. Item I give and bequeath to my son Hugh Farnior two negroes named Sal and Mary, and all the rest of my property. — I do hereby utterly disallow and revoke and disannul all and every other Testament, Will, bequest by me in any wise before this time named. Again it is my will that said negroes herein bequeathed to my son Hugh Farnior remain and not be moved off the plantation whereon I now live, and now to conclude I do appoint my son Hugh Farnior my Executor. I witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and fix my seal the day and date first above written. Witnesses John Farnior, Hugh Farnior, Sarah Farnior.

Martha ^{her} ~~mark~~ Farnior ^(Seal)

Duplin County } Jan Term 1823.

Then was the within will proved in open court by the oath of John Farnior and at the same time Hugh Farnior the within named Executor. Qualified as Executor agreeable to Law.
Test Jas. Pennington Ck.