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James Kirkman.

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In the name of God amen. — I James Kirkman of Guilford County and State of North Carolina being in a low state of health but being sound in judgment and disposing mind and memory and understanding considering the certainty of death and the uncertainty of the time thereof and being desirous to settle my worldly affairs and thereby be the better prepared to leave this world when it shall please God to call me hence do therefore make and publish this my last will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say. — First and principally I commit my soul unto Almighty God and my body to the earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executors hereinafter named and after my debts and funeral charges

First I give and bequeath unto son George Kirkman one cow and calf in full part of his portion —

Also I give and bequeath unto my son William Kirkman twenty pounds in treas in full part of his portion.

Also I give and bequeath unto my son Elijah Kirkman one negro boy named Leibel in full part of his portion.

Also I give and bequeath unto my son Elisha Kirkman one negro boy named Daniel in full part of his portion.

Also I give and bequeath unto my daughter Mary Hendricks son James Hendricks sixty acres of land it being part of parcel of land purchased of William Cook lying to the East of John Forbises black jack corner and joining with s<sup>d</sup> Forbises land likewise one negro girl named Levah and said land and negro to be in possession of the s<sup>d</sup> Mary Hendrick during her life and then to be delivered to the s<sup>d</sup> James Hendricks his son likewise twenty pounds in treas to be delivered

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Also I give and bequeath unto my two sons Thomas Sherwood Kirkman and Roeger Kirkman all that tract of land whereon I now dwell

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containing four hundred acres likewise one hundred acres joining the same tract  
purchased of William Dick to be equally divided between them share and  
share alike and well primers to them and there ours forever

Also I give and bequeath unto my son Thomas Shumwood Kirkman one negro  
man named Jack and likewise one horse and fether bed.

Also I give and bequeath unto my son Rodger Kirkman one negro boy  
and one horse and one fether bed with furniture to them both

Also all the money belonging to the estate after my just debts and  
funeral charges are paid to be equally divided between my two sons Thomas Shumwood  
Kirkman and Rodger Kirkman share and share alike - also all the rest of the  
negro and the remainder of my estate to be equally divid between my two sons  
Thomas Shumwood Kirkman and Rodger Kirkman after there mothers death to them  
and there ours forever

Also I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Mary the dwelling  
house that I now live in and the third part of the cleared land with fire wood  
and coal timber sufficient to support it during her life.

And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my beloved wife Mary  
Kirkman and Hendray Handricks and Robert Hanna whole and sole Executors of  
this my last will and Testament and disanolling of all other will or wills by me  
heretofore made ratifying and confirming this and none other to be my last will  
and Testament

In testimony whereoff I have hereunto set my hand and affixed  
my seal this twenty fifth day of March Anno Domini seventeen hundred and  
ninety signed sealed published and declared by said James Kirkman the  
above named testator in and to the presence of

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this my last will and Testament and disavowing of all other will or wills by me  
heretofore and ratifying and confirming this and none other to be my last will  
and Testament.

The Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed  
my seal this twenty fourth day of March Anno Domini seventeen hundred and  
eighty signed sealed published and declared by said James Kirkman the  
above named testator as and for his last will and Testament in the presence of us  
witness thereto.

John Perkins

David North

Benjamin F. Ludema  
Witness

James Kirkman (Seal)

State of North Carolina  
Cumberland County. } May Session 1791

The within will was proved in open court by the oaths of  
the three subscribing witnesses above and on motion ordered to be recorded  
Test:

John Hamilton Clk

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