

In the name of God amen. - I John Hunter of the Province of North Carolina & County of Guilford being very sick & weak but in my proper senses do make this my last testament in manner and form following

I bequeath my Soul to God who gave it & my body to be buried at the disposal of my Executors in hopes of a joyfull Resurrection through the merits of our Blessed Lord Jesus Christ, - and for what worldly estate it hath pleased God to bestow on me I bequeath it as followeth

Item - I order my Executors hereafter named to pay & discharge all my just debts & to sell & dispose of whatever thing I think best proper & best of my estate to satisfy my said debts.

Item - I lend to my son Edward Hunter during his natural life the following negroes to wit, Julia, Jaspita, Woll, Fells, Alex, Sarcas & ----- & all the stock and household goods during his & his wife's natural lifetime and then to be divided so that if there are any more that their estate be made equal to the rest of the children

Item - I give & bequeath to John & Alexander Hunter sons of Edward Hunter the land I now live on & the mill tract with the two old negroes Siser & Fama, to them & theirs forever, only my daughter Allay Tate & Elizabeth Walker to have their common ground free at the sd mill

Item - I give & bequeath to my daughter Allay Tate the following negroes to wit, Jimmy, they and their increase to her & her heirs forever.

Item - I lend to my daughter Elizabeth Walker the following negroes to wit, Hass, Wesley, Isaham & Nathan during her natural life & to which of her children she shall proper I give the sd negroes & their increase to them & their heirs forever.

Item - I give to John Hunter Walker (the son of John & Elizabeth Walker) one negro named what it is named but I am sure it is his & his heirs forever.

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Item - I lend to my son Edward Hunter during his natural life the following negroes to wit, Pata, Jupeto, Woll, Fells, Alex, Seacas & ----- tent of all the stock and household goods during his & his wife's natural lifetime and then to be divided so that if there are any more that their estate be made equal to the rest of the children

Item - I give & bequeath to John & Alexander Hunter sons of Edward Hunter the land I now live on & the mill tract with the two old negroes Lues & Fane, to them & theirs forever, only my daughter Mary Tate & Elizabeth Walker to have their consent & assent at the said mill

Item - I give & bequeath to my daughter Mary Tate the following negroes to wit, Johnny they and their increase to her & her heirs forever.

Item - I lend to my daughter Elizabeth Walker the following negroes to wit, Ross, Lisle, Latham & ~~William~~ during her natural life & to which of her children she think proper I give the sd. negroes & their increase to them & their heirs forever.

Item - I give to John Hunter Walker (the son of John & Elizabeth Walker) one negro the name that I formerly lent his mother & her increase to him & his heirs forever.

Item - I give to David Walker, Joel Walker & William Walker, the sons of John & Elizabeth Walker the three negro children that the sd. John Walker sen. has now in possession of mine, to be equally divided between them, they & their increase to them & their heirs forever.

Item - I lend to my daughter Sarah May the following negroes to wit, Inez, Mary, Luky which they have now in possession & to which of the children she think

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I give the said & their increase to them & their heirs forever.

Item - I give to my sister Jane Martin one negroe girl Phely during her natural life.

Item - I give to my son James children Robert, John, Elizabeth & Frances & to my daughter Lucy & Judy that I leave to their mother & their increase to be equally divided between them after a debt due me from their father for the sum of fifty eight pounds and shillings & six pence & six farthings coming to them & their heirs forever.

Item - I give Alexander Martin one negroe boy Ben, to him & his heirs forever.

Item - I desire my Executors to make a deed for that tract of land I own called the Millery to whom all neighboring lands proper.

Item - I give to my son Edward Hunter & children all the residue & remainder of my estate real & personal that is not mentioned in this my will, to them & their heirs forever.

Lastly - I appoint Alexander Martin, James Martin, James Hunter & John Hunter Edward Hunter Executors of this my last will & testament revoking all former wills by me made.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this twenty ninth day of August, one thousand seven hundred & seventy seven.

Signed sealed published & declared in the presence of

Wm. Pring Junr.

John Carter

James Hargrave

John Hunter

Witnessed by us the said James Hunter & John Hunter