

Patrick Hays.

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In the name of God amen. The seventeenth day of August in the year of our Lord 1796, I Patrick Hays of the State of North Carolina Guilford County, being sick and weak but of perfect mind and memory, thanks be given unto God, therefore, calling to mind the frailty of my body and knowing that it is appointed appointed for all men once to die, do make and declare this my last will and testament, that is to say, principally, and first of all I give and recommend my soul into the hands of God that gave it, and for my body I recommend it to be buried in a Christian like and decent manner; at the discretion of my Executors, nothing doubting but at the General Resurrection, I shall receive the same again by the power of God and as touching such worldly estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this life I give bequeath and dispose of the same in the following manner and form.

Item I give and bequeath to Rebecca my dearly beloved wife my hole landes all my household goods and moveables during her life or widowhood and then to be divided all the land that was mine and all my moveables to be left to my wife's discretion at her death, all to be divided by her between Philip Land and Berkes Denny and to my son John five shillings & back under X

And I do hereby utterly disallow revoke and disannul all and every other former wills, wills and bequests that is my last will and testament, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this day and year above written

Patrick Hays

Signed sealed and delivered in the presence of the subscribers viz:
Robert Coulborn
James Coulborn
Alice Griffie
After all my lawfull debts are paid I do appoint John Lowe to be hole and sole Executor of this my last will Testament
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