In the name of God Amen I John Williams of the County of Hyde and State of North Carolina Planter Being sick and weak in body but of sound and perfect mind and memory thanks be to God for the same do make and ordain this my last will & testament in manner and form as follows viz, Imprimis I leave to my beloved wife Margaret Williams one third of my manor Plantation where on I now live during her natural life. Item I also give unto my beloved wife Margaret Williams at her disposal two negro men and one girl namely Joseph & Neal & likewise give unto her the fourth part of the negro man Joe & one Bed and furniture the choice of three cows & calves out of my stock & sixty dollars. Item I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Bridie Williams one negro boy named Abe and one negro girl named Dine & likewise I have her a piece of Land on Bungo Creek to be sold at my decease and the money put & delivered till she comes of age, Item I give and bequeath unto my son Edmund Williams the manor Plantation after my wife decease and if any one Edmund should die before he comes to age then it shall fall to my Daughter Bridie & likewise I leave my son Edmund three negroes namely Dan Aaron and Lucy Ann & likewise I leave my three negro women namely Lin and Nell Hannah & their increase among all my children to be Equally Divided among my youngest child come to age. – Item, my desire is that all my goods and chattles and other property not named in this my will be sold at my decease and Equally Divided between my wife and children. Lastly, I constitute and ordain Rothus Williams & Jacob Williams sole Executors of this my last will and testament Disallowing all other wills Heretofore by me made Confirming this only to be my last will and testament. In testimony whereof I have unto set my hand & affixed my seal this twentieth Day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred & ten – 1810

John his mark Williams (Seal)

signed sealed and pronounced
in presence of
Thos Rich.d Casins
William Cording

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Hyde County Feb.y Term 1810 – The due Execution of this last will and testament of John Williams Dec.d was proved in open Court by the oath of William Cording Ex.r an Evidence to the same in due form of Law &c. ordered to be Recorded

Attest Benjamin Foreman Clk

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R. D. Hanks C.S.C.

In the name of God Amen, I Mary Foley of the County of Hyde & State of North Carolina Being not with in Body but of perfect mind & memory considering the uncertainty of this life & being desirous to leave that small Estate and furniture God has lent me with in my family with as much peace and union as may be I do make this my last will & testament in manner following hereby Revoking all former wills by me made, And first I Recigne my soul to God that gave it and my body to be decently Buried at the discretion of my Executors and as to my temporal Est. after paying of my just debts, I give & devise and dispose of the same as follows &c. First I give & Bequeath unto my wife Elizabeth Foley & children one third part of all my stock of Cattle four feather beds & furniture, also one half of all my hogs & one half of all my sheep, also I give unto my wife &c. their first choice of my horses, I also give unto them one half of all my house & kitchen furniture to Remain in common stock until the Death of my wife or marriage or my children come with age then to be Equally Divided, also I give unto my wife & children in like manner the following negroes, to Wit, one negro man named Gabe one negro man named Prince, also all my negro women & their children to them & their Heirs for ever. Secondly I give & bequeath unto my wife & children all the rest of my negroes to be Equally Divided among them & their heirs and equally unto my children come with age and to them to receive their respective portion as they come with age to them & their heirs for ever. Thirdly I wish all the rest of my Perishable Estate to be sold at such time as may be thought for the Payment of my just Debts —

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