

In the Name of God Amen I William Harris of the State of
North Carolina and County of Hyde being very sick and in
bed, but of perfect mind & memory Thanks be given to God
calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is
appointed for all men once to die to make and ordain 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 all
mighty God that gave it me and my body I recommend to
the earth to be buried in a decent Christian Buriall at the
Discretion of my Executors Nothing Doubting but at the Good
Resurrection I shall Receive the same again by the mighty
Power of God and so touching such worldly Estate which
with it hath pleased God to bless me with in this life I give
Devise and Dispose of the same in following manner to
Wife I give and bequeath to my own Thomas Harris one hundred
acres of Land lying on the lower ridge (joining Jett Long past
and Hugh Huggs Patent) also all the Land that lay at Between
said Thomas Harris Land whereon he now lives and Robert
Phillis Patent to the Division Line between my wife
and my own Thomas, also one feather bed & furniture & one
Cow & Calf and one half of a Whippoorwill also half of my land at
The head of the Lake I give and bequeath unto my son John
Harris fifty acres of Land known by the name of Cross
Ridge also half my land at the head of the Lake and one Cow &
Calf I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Hannah Harris
one feather bed one Cow and Calf and that one Linen wheel &
one saddle I give and bequeath unto my son Pelage
Harris the upper half of the Plantation & that adjoining thereto
whereon now lies and one horse named a spot also one
feather bed and furniture and one Cow & Calf I give and
bequeath unto my son Isaac Harris the other half of my
plantation and Land adjoining whereon my house stands
also one feather bed and one Cow & Calf my will and desire is
that my dearly beloved wife Sarah shall have the sole use of the
Plantation whereon now live during her life time my will
& desire is that after the death of my beloved wife Sarah is
that my name and her inheritance shall be divided —
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between John Hannah & Jacob, also after my Debt & charges are paid
and after the death of my wife Sarah my will & desire is that my Estate
if any there be shall be Equally Divided between all my children
Wife Mary, Thomas John Hannah & Jacob & Jacob. I give & bequeath
unto Frederick Swindell fifty acres of Land whereon he now lives
to be Laid off joining the Lake as to the Division Line between said
Swindell & John Harris to Run parallel with the western border for
said Land to be the property of said Swindell after a settlement with my
Executors otherwise for that Legacy to Remain void my will & desire
is that all my Land lying East of Benjamin & John Harris shall be
Sold at Publick sale to pay my Debt with, I also bequeath and
ordain John Neal & Matthew Broomer the Sole Executors after my
Last will and testament and I do hereby ratify by Deed all
Deeds and Documents and any other former will testament
Legacies bequest and Executors by me in any wise before named
written & by me this Publishing and confirming this will to be my
Last will & testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my
hand and Seal this fifth Day of February in the year of our Lord
Christ one thousand eight hundred & ten —

Signed, Sealed & Delivered

William Harris

In presence of — — }
Jonathan Swindell } The True Execution of this Last will
Jonathan Harris } and testament of William Harris dead
was proved in open Court by the
oath of Jonathan Swindell an Evidence
that in due form be ordered to be Recorded
Given under the Seal of the Court the 9th 1800
From Record of Wells & Aceto.
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P. L. Harris & Co