

In the name of God Amen I Reuben Small of the County of Jones and State of North Carolina do hereby certify that I have made and published this my last Will and Testament in the year of our Lord 1797 make and publish this my last Will and Testament in the manner following that is to say

First I give and bequeath to my beloved Wife Catharine one third Part of each Tract of Land which I shall hereafter give to my two Sons, Amos and George and I give her my House by name Diamond I give her also two Cows & calves and I give her two Ewes and Lambs; I give her also thirty one Hogs and one Bear & Furniture; I give her also half of my Kitchen with cupboard Pantry and ~~all my Plantation~~ I give her one Bar Row Two Hides Two wedding Rings two hair Frises 12 Clippings & two sets

Secondly I give and bequeath to my beloved son Amos the Tract of Land on which I now live containing two Hundred Acres I give him also ^{one equal} half & another tract of Land lying at the head of Joshua's Replantation which I bought of Oldfield Chance and James Harrison containing one hundred and fifty Acres

Thirdly I give and bequeath to my beloved son George one equal half of the said Tract of Land lying at the head of Joshua's Replantation which I bought of Oldfield Chance and James Harrison containing three Hundred and fifty Acres I give him also another tract of Land lying on said Joshua's Replantation so called containing one Hundred Acres on which I bought of James Busick I give him also another Tract of Land lying on Trout River which I bought of Jip Roover containing thirty one Acres be the same more or less

I give also to my beloved Wife two thousand weight of Bacon and Twenty five Barrels Corn and half of my Pear

I give also to each of my Children Amos George and Susannah one Bed and Furniture - My Will is that all the rest of my Property that I have not before given should be sold and given to my beloved Daughter Susannah on the day of her marriage or at her age of twenty one years And I hereby make and ordain my worthy Friend Benjamin Small Executor; and my beloved Wife Catharine Executrix of this my last Will & Testament In witness whereof I the said Reuben Small have to this my last Will & Testament set my Hand and seal the Day and Year above written -

Spence Smith published and related to the said Reuben Small the substance of the said Will & Testament in presence of us who were present at the time of signing & sealing thereof

Daniel Perry
Jm Roover
Jm Hilelocks

State of North Carolina Term 1797
Jm County Court May 1797
This was the within last Will & Testament of Reuben Small do duly proved & sworn to by the said Daniel Perry & Jm Roover two of the subscribing Witnesses & ordered to be recorded at the same time Benjamin Small the Executor thereunto named qualified as such according to Law Enacted that Letters Testamentary be given

Accordingly
Attest
Jm Small

Reuben Small
Mark

In the name of God Amen
I Edmund Hatch of the County of Jones and State of North Carolina being weak in body but of sound disposing mind and memory have made the following manner to wit

Item I leave unto my Loving Wife Mary my House and manner plantation whereon I live as follows (to wit) Beginning on River Bank at the mouth of Honey run and running up the Westmost bank of said Honey run so as to include the water courses of the same until the intersection of a line drawn South east from the east Chimney of my now dwelling house and from thence a due South Course to the back line of the tract of Land I bought of Abner and Mary Nash including all the Land I hold to the eastward and Northward of said line during her Natural life or widowhood

Item I give and bequeath unto my Loving Wife Mary one Negro man called Diver one I called Emanuel one Negro woman called Abner one called Jaxon and one Negro Girl called Dinah to her heirs and assigns forever I also give unto my said Wife one mare called Thrifty one horse called Diver one pair of Oxen four Cows and calves one feather bed and furniture and one equal half of all the rest of my household and kitchen furniture two Bar flour two fluke flour four Hoes two Axes four saws and pry and as many shillings hoes and as much of the present Crop as will be sufficient for her family the first year

Item I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Lucy Hatch one Negro Girl called Violet my eldest Sonnet Jolly and one feather bed & furniture to her, her heirs and assigns forever

Item I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Polly Bryan Hatch one Negro Girl called Fann one Whitehorse Jolly which I bought of Charles Hatch and one feather bed & furniture to her, her heirs and assigns forever

Item I give and bequeath unto my son Hardy Hatch all the Land I bought of Charles Hatch on Trout and one other tract of one hundred and fifty acres of Land which I purchased lying back of where the Widow Fry now lives to him his heirs and assigns forever I also give to my son Hardy one Negro boy called Black Dick and one feather bed and furniture to him his heirs and assigns forever

Item I give and bequeath unto my son Edmund Hatch my house and manner plantation including all the Land I have herein before described and lent unto my Wife to him his heirs and assigns forever removing the loan as before made to his Mother I also give to my son Edmund one Negro boy called Allow Dick and one feather bed and furniture to him his heirs and assigns forever

Item I give and bequeath unto my son Andrew Hatch all the residue of the Land I bought of Abner and Mary Nash lying on River Bank being the Westmost and Southern most part of the same divided by the line drawn as herein before described also the Land I bought of my Brother Samuel Hatch adjoining the same to him his heirs and assigns forever I also give to my son Edmund one Negro boy called Diver and one feather bed and furniture to him his heirs and assigns forever

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 I give and bequeath unto my five children namely Lucy Polly Bryan
 Hardy Edmund and Andrew for them their heirs and assigns forever all
 the rest and residue of my Negroes not herein before bequeathed with all
 their future increase to be equally divided amongst them in the following
 manner viz. Each Child to have his or her equal share or Dividend allotted
 of to them at their arrival at lawful age or day of marriage and then
 every one of the said Negroes to be kept together in Common for the rest of
 the heirs until the next heir shall arrive at lawful age or marry and as
 or until all shall be drawn out in like manner as the first. Provided that if any
 of my Children shall die under age and without lawful issue before they shall
 have drawn out their share of the said Negroes and after any of them shall be drawn
 out then and in that case it is my will and desire that the Child or Children who
 may have drawn out their share shall come in for their equal share with them
 in Division of the rest. I wish the said Child or Children would have been entitled
 to — All the rest and residue of my estate which is not herein before
 bequeathed I leave to be sold by my Executors they guarding as much as possible
 against the Depreciation of the Money and the loss thereof after my Just Debts
 shall first be paid to be laid out in the Raising and Education of my Children
 And it is my Will and Desire that my three Sons be under the tuition and
 direction of my Executors and that my Son Edmund be educated in a suitable
 manner to qualify him for the practice of Physic and that he at a suitable
 age be bound to that business And that my Sons Hardy and Andrew at
 age be bound to that business And that my Sons Hardy and Andrew at
 suitable age be bound to some business which their Natural Genius and
 Circumstances shall then point out — And that my two Daughters
 shall be under the Direction and tuition of their Mother as long as she shall
 remain a Widow and as much longer as she shall continue to support
 and raise them in a manner suitable to their Circumstances
 Lastly I do hereby nominate constitute and appoint my Brothers
 Samuel Hatch and Charles Hatch and my Brother in Law Lewis Bryan
 whole and sole Executors to this my last will and testament hereby revoking
 and annulling all other or former Wills Testaments and Confirming this
 and this alone to be my last Will and Testament in witness whereof
 I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this eighth day of
 November Anno Dom. 1788

Edm. Hatch

Signed sealed published and declared by the testator
 in the presence of us who have hereunto subscribed
 our names as Witnesses

Lewis Bryan
 Dudley Catoon

State of North Carolina

My County Court do hereby certify that the last will and testament of Edmund Hatch deceased
 duly proved in open Court by the Oath of Lewis H. Bryan and Dudley Catoon
 the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded at the same time
 Lemuel Hatch Charles Hatch and Lewis Bryan the Executors herein named
 Qualified as such appear to Law Ordered that Letters Testamentary issue
 Accordingly Attest. Lewis Bryan

In the Name of God amen
 This twentieth Day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and
 eighty eight I John Farmer of said County being weak in body under a low state of Health but in perfect
 mind and sound memory and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to dye do hereby
 make known and appoint this to be my last will and testament My Will to be
 by God that give it me and My Body to be buried in a christian like manner
 I give and bequeath unto my wife Sarah one Negro woman named
 Nona and one Negro girl named Rose and a Dutch Boy named John
 her husband and said Ten Cows and calves and two three year old Steers and
 half My Stock of Sheep Five Breeding Sows with twenty five Pigs and twenty
 year old Hogs one feather bed Bedstead Cord and Hide bolster and two pillows two
 Blankets two shirts and a Bag on Black Painted Chest one table one looking
 and Dining table and all my debt and Rochester and one pair of Handkerchiefs
 Iron two small Copper basins one large flat Silver Spoon with a broad flat Dish
 and two small Silver Dishes all which I give and bequeath to her and her heirs
 for ever and I also bind to her during her Natural Life time or widowhood
 these following articles to wit a tract or parcel of land lying on Tuckahoe
 Swamp at the mouth of Spring Branch Patented by Thomas Farmer and his wife
 by William Farmer to me also one piece of Spring Branch beginning the same
 bounded by my self containing sixty acres also fifty acres or more on the South side of Tuckahoe
 my father and wife to me and also one hundred on the South side of Tuckahoe
 Swamp Patented by George Dags and also seventy five acres on the North side
 same of Tuckahoe whereon my mother now lives after her Death — one Negro
 man named John one Negro boy named Jack and one Negro woman by the
 name of Ruth and a Negro girl named Esther to be to her after My Mother's death
 also one Negro man named James and one Negro boy named Tom
 one Negro woman named Mary and a Negro girl named Sarah one Negro child
 named Hannah May and her increase to be to her during her Natural Life
 time or widowhood and I do hereby bind to her and her heirs and assigns to be to
 my Children as well as be hereby given also one Black Horse and Black one
 my Negro girl named Ruth to be to her with all the contents of Plantations
 Tools of every kind or kind to be to her with all the contents of Goods and
 Furniture with the Weaving Loom Wheels and Cords and two black by cows all
 the same and great that is left in for the family use this in my last will
 which to her for her support and raising and schooling of my two Children
 at at her Death or estate to go as well as her own
 I give and bequeath unto my son Samuel Farmer all my lands and other
 things as follows to wit two hundred and ten acres or more on Tuckahoe that
 I bought of Philip Pat. and after Eighty acres a joining to the same that
 I Pat. and I myself Pat. also fifty acres on Tuckahoe at the
 mouth of Spring Branch bounded by Thomas Farmer and James Farmer
 William Farmer to me also sixty acres on the South side of Spring
 Branch Patented by me also fifty acres on the South side of Spring
 John Farmer and by him will to me and also seventy five acres whereon
 my mother now lives after her Death and the Death or Marriage of
 My Wife it being the same Plantation also one hundred acres of
 given the same Patented by me and also five hundred a joining the
 same Patented by me also forty five acres on Tuckahoe Swamp in be
 tween the lines of Thomas Farmer and George Dags to be to her with one
 Negro man named James and one Negro woman named Mary and
 one Negro boy named Tom and one Negro girl named Sarah and
 one Negro girl named Sarah after my wife's Marriage or or Death then
 with her in Tuckahoe from this time forward to her and the heirs for ever with
 one feather bed and Hide a bolster and two pillows two Handkerchiefs
 one pair of Handkerchiefs and a Bag with my Dutch Boy named John and his
 and his heirs forever