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I have set my hand and affixed my seal
the Sixth day of November in the year of our Lord
one thousand Seven Hundred and Thirty seven
and in the Twenty second year of our Independence

Signed sealed published and
Declared to be his last will
and testament in presence of

Between the 16th & 17th hours thereof
"or any person claiming by from or under her"
was interlined before signed

John Hatch

Edmund Hatch

State of North Carolina

Jones County Court August Term 1798

There was the aforesaid Last Will and Testament of Nathan Bryan Esquire deceased produced and duly proved in open Court by the Oath of Edmund Hatch Esquire and ordered to be recorded. At the same time John Thomas Bryan and Nathan Bryan two of the Executors herein named Qualified as such agreeable to Law and accordingly

Ordered that Letters Testamentary issue accordingly.

Attest,

Nathan Bryan Esq

In the name of God Amen
I John Jackson of the State of North Carolina and of the
county of Jones being sick and weak in body but of sound
mind and desirous memory, do make and ordain this
my last will and testament, in manner and form following vizt.

First I recommend my soul to God, that give it, and my body
to the dust from whence it was taken, in lively hope of the
Reparation unto eternal life, in and through Jesus Christ
our Lord and Saviour

And as to my worldly goods that it has pleased the Almighty
to endow me with I give leave and Bequeath in manner
and form following vizt.

I give And bequeath to my son James Jackson one mare
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Ple and saddle and Bridle that is now in his possession to him
and his heirs and assigns forever

Item I give and bequeath to my son John B Jackson one young mare
called Pea, and one Saddle and Bridle, that is now in his
possession to him and his heirs and assigns forever

Item I give and bequeath to my son Thomas Jackson one Horse Bridle
and saddle to him and his heirs and assigns forever

Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Sarah Gunter the sum
of Five Shillings lawful money besides what I have hitherto
given her, in full of her part of my Estates to her and her heirs
and assigns forever

Item I give and bequeath to each and every one of my children (my
Daughter Sarah Gunter excepted) as well male as female, Two
Cows and Calves, and one Leather Bed, and Furniture to be
Delivered to them at their Arriving of age or Marriage to them
their heirs and assigns forever

Item I give and bequeath to my loving wife Sarah Jackson a
Whiles part of my Estate for and During her natural life
And I do hereby Lend to my beloved wife the use and Profits
of my Plantation where I now live with all my lands thereon
adjoining, During her my said wife natural life or Meadowland
Also land unto my said wife the use and labour of my negro
Woman named Nancy, and all the remainder and residue
of my Estate that is not hitherto otherwise Directed for and
During her natural life or Meadowland

Item My Will and Desire is that after the Death or marriage of my wife
Sarah Jackson, that all and every Part of the Property that is
left by this Will to her, be sold, and the money arising from such
Sale or Sales be equally Divided to and among all my children
(my Daughter Sarah Gunter excepted) To them their heirs and assigns
forever

Item My Will and Desire is further and I do hereby Direct that if at
any time after my Death my Executor with one or both my
Executors shall think it meet to the advantage of my family
to Remove to some Distant part and Determine so to do, It
shall and may be Lawfull for them to sell my Lands unto
you mentioned at any time, and execute a Deed or Deeds for the
same, which shall be good and valid in law as any conveyance
whatever and also may sell and dispose of all such other Property
as they may think proper in order to enable them to Remove
and the monies arising from the sale of said Lands shall be
laid out in the Purchasing of Land or Lands again in such
Country as they shall or may Remove to
and one third Part of saids Lands, my will is and I欲
give unto my beloved wife Sarah Jackson for and During
the the term of her Natural life, and at the Death of

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my said wife I give and bequeath the same one third part of said Land to my son Thomas Jackson to him his heirs and assigns forever
I also do give and bequeath the other Two Thirds of said land to be equally divided between my two Sons James Jackson and John B Jackson to them their Heirs and assigns forever
Item the Remainder and Residue of my Estate that they my Executors shall sell and dispose off the same. They are to take as much of the money arising from said sale as will enable them to remove and to support my said wife and her family during her natural life or widowhood.
Item I give and bequeath the Remainder of such money or other Property that shall or may be left at the marriage or death of my said wife all and every Part thereof to be equally divided between my two Daughters Rachel Jackson and Elizabeth Jackson to them their Heirs and assigns forever
And Lastly I do nominate my loving wife Sarah Jackson Executrix and my two sons James and John B Jackson Executors of this my last Will and Testament
And I do hereby revoke and make void all and every other Will or Will heretofore by me made and do acknowledge this and this only to be last Will and Testament
In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto set my hand affixed my seal this 23rd day of September 1797 —

Signed sealed published
and declared in the presence of John his
marks

William A. Knob
mark

State of North Carolina
Jones County Court August Term 1798
This was the within last Will and Testament of John Jackson late deceased duly proved in open Court by his Executor John Austin one of the subscribing witnesses thereto and sworn to be true — At the same time Sarah Jackson the Executrix and John B Jackson one of the Executors herein named qualified as such agreeable to Law
Ordered that Letters testamentary issue accordingly

Attest

J. F. Bryan Esq.

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State of North Carolina
Bernard Cordenman of Trenton in the
County of Jones & State aforesaid Merchant
do the tenth day of October in the year of our Lord
one thousand Seven hundred & Ninety Eight
make and publish this my last Will & Testament
First I desire to be decently buried without any
funeral pomp and with as little expense as may
be. Also I desire my just debts shall be paid
out of my Estate, and as to the rest & Residues
thereof I desire it may be divided between my
Wife & Children according as the Law of this State doth
in such case
My three children Eliza, Frederick and
John by my former wife Catharine Appleby
I desire may be sent to their Uncle Thomas
Appleby residing on Long Island to be taken
care of and brought up by him
My two children George and Catharine
by my present wife Margaret Bryan I leave entirely
to the care of their mother
And I do constitute and appoint Gen:
Frederick Harriet, John Hill Bryan &
Wm. Hill of said County Executors of this my
last Will & Testament In witness whereof
I have hereunto set my hand & seal
the day & year first above written

State of N. Carolina Bernard Cordenman
Jones County Court Nov. 1st Term 1798
There was the within foregoing last Will & Testament
of Bernard Cordenman duly proved in open Court by the Oath
of Chas. Gunter one of the subscribing Witnesses thereto
and ordered to be recorded — At the same time
Harriet Esq^t one of the Executors therein named qualified
such — Ordered that Letters Testamentary