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I. Sudham Simons of County of Jones and State of N.C. Carolina. seriously considering the uncertainty of human life at least do while in a firm state of mind and sound recollection make this my last will and testament. intending hereby to dispose of my worldly affairs not as humor may prompt but as equity shall seem to direct. First of all I most humbly and devoutly recommend my soul to the extensive mercy of that all wise supreme & intelligent being who gave it. most earnestly at the same time deprecating his justice satisfied with the pompous folly of this life I wish to have no posthumous ones displayed at my interment. Therefore I desire to be deposited in a decent manner in my Fathers cemetery or family burying ground. -

Item 1<sup>st</sup> I bequeath my beloved wife Elizabeth Simons. during the term of her natural life and no longer, one third part of the plantation whereon I now live also the privilege of occupying water for fishing and fuel. nearly adjacent thereto. I further lend her one large Bible. one beautiful maple desk one Book case. two walnut Tables. one Standing Case. her looking glasses. Six silver Spoons. one set Silver table Spoons. one ditta Sea Spoons until my son Angus shall arrive to the age of Twenty one years or the day of his marriage.

Item 2<sup>d</sup> I give and devise unto my said wife one fifth part of my horses and hogs. Five Cows & Calves two less than one third of Sheep forty lambs of Indian-born five hundred wt. of Bacon or Pork four stacks of Hay and four of ditta Sep faddar. one yoke of Oxen or east one riding Chair and harness. one umbrella two bar plows two set of Iron Traces. m. or chain. three axes two trading hoes two grubbing hoes two pair Iron wedges. one hand Mill. one Drawing knife three Iron pots one hamper. one half of my small copper ware two Sifters. two feather Beds & Sheets and necessary furniture one oval Table one pine settle. two Branks one portable case one set China ware. one third of the earthen ware. Six Silver Sea Spoons. one pair Spago Tongs. one ~~iron~~ wheel. two trading wheels. one Loom & harness. one pair ~~iron~~ Tongs & shovel. one pair candlesticks snuffers & tray. six green chairs. one set knives & forks. one pair waffle Irons. one Teakettle to her and her heirs forever to be allotted of to her by my Executor.

Item 3<sup>d</sup> I give & devise unto my eldest son Lemuel B. Simons the following property. Viz. All the lands I purchased of Simon Roseve Jr. on the No. side of Broad River and on the draw of Beaverdam Forks & Long Branch. the above piece contains four hundred & forty six acres. those following References must be had to deeds & dates.

Ninety five acres I bought of Hezekiah Meritt dated 28<sup>th</sup> Novr 1811.  
fifty six acres I bought of Abram Kornegay dated 12<sup>th</sup> of Novr. 1810.  
Four hundred & thirty seven I bought of A. Meritt 28th Novr. 1811  
fifty acres I bought of Hugh Meritt.

Twenty three acres I bought of Job Meritt dated 27<sup>th</sup> Novr. 1812.  
Eighty five acres I bought of Isaac Kornegay dated 11<sup>th</sup> of May 1812. Continue to page 64,

long seven acres I bought of Wm & Abner Harpel dated 2<sup>nd</sup> of June 1813  
One Hundred & fifty acres I bought of Robt Horneay dated 26 of March 1814  
fifty acres I bought of Daniel Ambros dated 12<sup>th</sup> Feby. 1816  
One hundred & forty five acres I bought of Robt Horneay 2<sup>nd</sup> of June 1813.  
two hundred acres I bought of Robt Horneay dated - -

Sixty six acres I bought of Isaac Horneay dated 22 of June 1814.

Two hundred and twenty acres on the East side of Beaver dam branch that I bought of Edmund Hatch 4<sup>th</sup> of Feby 1814.

Ninety acres I bought of Alfred & Lewis Harpel 25<sup>th</sup> of Sept 1814

Sixty four acres I bought of Mrs Murphy dated 20<sup>th</sup> of Sept. 1814

Six and half acres I bought of Jas. Reynolds dated 8<sup>th</sup> Aug 1 1814

Six and half acres I bought of Daniel Harpel dated 25<sup>th</sup> of Sept 1814

One hundred & fifty four acres I bought of Sarah Fosse 6<sup>th</sup> of Octo. 1817.

Thirty three acres I bought of Zelphy Bryan dated 11<sup>th</sup> Feby 1818

Ten acres I bought of Bryan Mumford dated the 22<sup>nd</sup> of Sept. 1818

Eleven acres I bought of John C Bryan dated 12<sup>th</sup> of Nov. 1818

Eleven acres I bought of Emil Kince dated 13<sup>th</sup> of Feby 1818

Six and half acres I bought of Jas. Brooks dated 25<sup>th</sup> of Sept. 1814

Also one acre of Land that I obtained of Bryan Mumford for a mill seat with the Improvement thereto to him his heirs and assigns forever. -

Item 4<sup>th</sup> I give and devise unto my Son Furnifold Green Simmons the following property subject to such restrictions and regulations as shall be specific'd at the conclusion of this Agreement viz. one tract of land on the south side of Trent River Beginning at a Red oak Durand Hatch's corner known and distinguished by the name of the Asher corner and runs thence so N.E. south sixty eight degrees East to Land River then up the various courses thereof to the mouth of Lysay branch then up the same the various courses thereof until it strikes the dividing line between me and Genl. Durand Hatch and with the same to the Beginning also one Lot. in Trenton No. 72. Provided said Furnifold should die before he is of Lawful age without lawful issue the said lands to be equally divided between my two sons Lemuel and Amos, to him his heirs and assigns forever.

Item 5<sup>th</sup> I give and devise to my Daughter Sally Simmons the following Property subject to the Regulations and restrictions here after expressed viz. One tract of land on the W. side of Trent River known and distinguished by the name of the Bushell plantation Beginning at a Cypress Tree on the river bank Union Fosse's lower corner an runs with her lines at N. 30 W. one hundred and twenty rods to a Stake then no. 20 E. 114 poles then no. 13 at N. 22 poles then no. 20 E. 80 poles then no. 5 w. 10 poles to paddock's patent line as now established and with the same south 80 rods 110 poles to Edmund Hatch's corner then N. E. 328 poles to Joseph Sanderson's line then to S. W. with said Sanderson's line 138 poles then with the out line of a line from Capt. Brockhoff to Amos Simmons carried to page 65-

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until it will strike the division line between the heirs of John Simmons and myself then with said divisional line So 19<sup>th</sup> Wt 320 poles to Trout River then up the same to the Beginning containing about three hundred & eighty acres exclusive of 114 1/2 acres I sold to Lewis Hosenc Roffence being had to my deed, one other Tract of land on the sd wt prong of Bachelors Creek part of two tracts one granted to Amos Simmons & Hardy Mitchell for 224 acres the other granted to myself for forty-five acres, which two tracts contains about one hundred and twelve acres. Also in or near the fork of White Oak river one other tract of two hundred acres lying up the Sympy Branch adjoining Jacob Fields lines, Jacob Fields lines the two last mentioned tracts was granted to the late Amos Simmons and myself jointly Roffence being had to said grants. One other tract of land on the no. side Trout River and East-side of Beaver dam branch Beginning at a pine the Beginning of a 300 acre Patent granted to John Murphy Ent Runs with a line of the same due East 88 poles then Nw 30<sup>th</sup> 31<sup>st</sup> pole to a line of Emr. Simmons, 80 acres survey near the little occasions Ent runs with a line of the same So 74<sup>th</sup> Wt 216 poles to Beavardam branch then down the same to the Beginning containing about 225 acres provided always that my other children have immolated copy and ingrif to me from said River mentioned in the forepart of 5<sup>th</sup> Item and 4<sup>th</sup> page, for the special purpose of landing lumber and naval stores at the log landing And if the said Polly Should die before she arrives of lawful age and without lawful issue the said lands to be equally divided between my other children to her and her heirs forever -

Item 6<sup>th</sup> I give and devise to my youngest son Amos L. Simmons the following property subject to the regulations and restrictions hereof after expressed viz. One tract of Land on the south side of Trout River Beginning at a Red Oak Durand Hatch's corner known and distinguish by the name of ashers corner and Runs thence South sixty eight East to Trout River then down the same to the mouth of Hatch's Mill Run then up the same to the main Road near the mill thence to Buckner Hatch's corner thence with his line his line to Clavers branch then up the same to Hills corner Oak then with his and the late Lemuel Hatch's line to Durand Hatch's line and with his lines to the Beginning also Eighty acres of Land on the no. side of Trout River opposed the above in Frederick's Neck adjoining Edwd. Mumfords line. Also two hundred & fifty acres granted to the late Emanuel Simmons on Bachelors Creek in the difference tracts including the premises whereon the said Emr. lived, One hundred acres adjoining the same granted to myself by Patent dated 26 of Novr. 1793. one hundred & eighty acres granted to the same by Patent 26 of Novr. 1793 Fifty acres of land granted to the same dated 7<sup>th</sup> Novr. 1795 - One hundred & fifty acres granted to the same Novr. 22<sup>nd</sup> day 1803. - Fifty acres - adjoining the same granted to the same and dated the same Novr. 22<sup>nd</sup> 1803. Two hundred and five acres that I purchased of Edmund Hatch dated 30<sup>th</sup> May 1808 Fifty acres I purchased of Thos. Murphy dated 10<sup>th</sup> May 1808 Also one other tract of about two hundred & forty acres being part of four several tracts granted to John Murphy Ent. Simmons & myself Beginning at a pine the second corner of Hephzibah Morris 94 acres carried to page 66

My Seven acres I bought of Wm. & Abner Harget dated 2<sup>nd</sup> of June 1813  
One Hundred & fifty acres I bought of Robt Kerney dated 26<sup>th</sup> of March 1814  
fifty acres I bought of Daniel Ambros dated 12<sup>th</sup> Feby. 1816.  
One hundred & forty five acres I bought of Robt Kerney 2<sup>nd</sup> of June 1813.  
two hundred acres I bought of Robt Kerney dated -  
Thirty six acres I bought of Isaac Kerney dated 22<sup>nd</sup> of June 1814.  
Two hundred and twenty acres on the East side of Beaver dam branch that I bought  
~~of Edmund Hatch~~ 4<sup>th</sup> of Feby 1814.  
Twenty acres I bought of Alfred & Lewis Harget 25<sup>th</sup> of Sept 1814  
Forty four acres I bought of Mrs. Murphy dated 20<sup>th</sup> of Sept. 1814  
Six and half acres I bought of Jas. Reynolds dated 8<sup>th</sup> Aug 1 1814  
Six and half acres I bought of Daniel Harget dated 25<sup>th</sup> of Sept 1814  
One hundred & fifty acres I bought of Sarah Foscue 6<sup>th</sup> of Oct. 1817.  
Thirty three acres I bought of Jephtha Boggan dated 11<sup>th</sup> Feby 1816  
Ten acres I bought of Boggan Mumford dated the 22<sup>nd</sup> of Sept. 1818  
Eleven acres I bought of John C. Boggan dated 12<sup>th</sup> of Nov. 1818  
Eleven acres I bought of Emil Krance dated 13<sup>th</sup> of Feby 1816  
Six and half acres I bought of Jas. Brooks dated 25<sup>th</sup> of Sept 1814  
Also one acre of land that I obtained of Boggan Mumford for a mill seat with  
the Improvement thereto to him his heirs and assigns forever. -  
Item 4<sup>th</sup>. I give and devise unto my son Furnifold Green Simmons the following property  
subject to such restrictions and regulations as shall be specified at the conclusion of  
this Will. One tract of land on the south side of Trout River Beginning at a  
Red oak Diamond Hatch's corner known, ~~and distinguished by the name of the~~ ash corner and runs thence so. 88 E. south sixty eight degrees East to Trout River  
then up the various branches thereof to the mouth of Lippys branch then up the same  
the various courses thereof until it strikes the dividing line between me and Ginal  
Diamond Hatch and with the same to the Beginning also one lot in Srontown  
No. 12. Provided said Furnifold should die before he is of Lawful age without  
lawful issue the said lands to be equally divided between my two sons Lemuel and  
Amos, to him his heirs and assigns forever.

Item 5<sup>th</sup>. I give and devise to my Daughter Polly Simmons the following property subject  
to the Regulations and restrictions here after expressed. One tract of land on the  
W. side of Trout River known and distinguished by the name of the Bushel plantation  
Beginning at a Cypress Tree on the river bank Simon Foscues lower corner on Rims with his  
line or so. 30 1/4 one hundred and twenty rods to a stake then no. 20 E. 114 poles then no.  
10 and 1/2 poles then no. 20 E. 80 poles then no. 5 west 10 poles to paddock's patent line as now  
established and with the same south 80 and 1/2 poles to Edmund Hatch's corner then  
so. 22 E. 321/2 rods to Joseph Sanderson's line then to 5<sup>th</sup> west with said Sanderson's line 138 poles  
more than with the out line of a line from Benj. Brackell to Amos Simmons  
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until it will strike the division line between the heirs of John Simmons and myself then  
with said divisional line S. 19<sup>th</sup> 1/4<sup>th</sup> 320 poles to Trout River then up the same to the  
beginning containing about three hundred & eighty acres exclusive of 116 1/2 acres I  
sold to Lewis Hosue Reference being had to my deed, one other tract of land  
on the so<sup>th</sup> w<sup>th</sup> prong of Bachelors Creek part of two tracts one granted to  
Amos Simmons & Hardy Mitchell for 224 acres the other granted to myself for forty  
five acres which two tracts contains about one hundred and twelve acres. Also  
in or near the fork of Whitlock river one other tract of two hundred acres  
lying <sup>in</sup> ~~in~~ the <sup>between</sup> ~~between~~ <sup>joining</sup> Jacob Field lines, Jacob Field lines the two last  
<sup>two</sup> ~~other~~ <sup>part</sup> ~~of the hundred acres~~  
mentioned tracts was granted to the late Amos Simmons and myself jointly Reference being  
had to said grant. One other tract of land on the no. side Trout River and east-  
side of Beaver dam branch beginning at a pine the beginning of a 300 acre patent  
granted to John Murphy and runs with a line of the same due East 88 poles then 110  
30<sup>th</sup> 31<sup>st</sup> 32<sup>nd</sup> poles to a line of Em. Simmons, 30 acres survey near the little occasions  
and runs with a line of the same S. 74° 1/4<sup>th</sup> 216 poles to Beaverdam branch then  
down the same to the beginning containing about 225 acres provided always that my  
other children have immaterial equity and ingrip to and from said River mentioned in the  
forepart of 3<sup>rd</sup> Item and 4<sup>th</sup> page, for the special purpose of landing lumber and nav-  
el stones at the log landing and if the said Party should die before the arrival of  
lawful age and without lawful issue the said lands to be equally divided between  
my other children to her and her heirs forever -

Item 6<sup>th</sup> I give and devise to my youngest son Amos L. Simmons the following property  
subject to the regulations and restrictions hereafter expressed viz. One tract of Land on the  
south side of Trout River beginning at a Red Oak Durand Hatch's corner known and  
distinguish by the name of ashers corner and runs thence south sixty eight East to  
Trout River then down the same to the mouth of Hatch's Mill Run then up the same  
to the main road near the mill thence to Buckner Hatch's corner thence with his lines  
his line to Cleavers branch then up the same to Hills corner oak then with his and the  
late Lemuel Hatch's line to Durand Hatch's line and with his lines to the beginning also  
Eighty acres of Land on the no. side of Trout River opposed the above in Hardscrub Neck  
joining Edw<sup>d</sup>. Mumfords line. Also two hundred & fifty acres granted to the late  
Emanuel Simmons on Bachelors Creek in that difference tract including the premises  
whereon the said Em. lived, one hundred acres adjoining the same granted to myself  
by Patent dated 26 of Nov<sup>r</sup> 1793. one hundred & eighty acres granted to the same by  
Patent 26 of Nov<sup>r</sup> 1793 fifty acres of land granted to the same dated 7<sup>th</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup> 1795 -  
one hundred & fifty acres granted to the same Nov<sup>r</sup>. 22<sup>nd</sup> day 1803. - Fifty acres -  
adjoining the same granted to the same and dated the same Nov<sup>r</sup> 22<sup>nd</sup> 1803. Two hundred  
and five acres that I purchased of Edmund Hatch dated 30<sup>th</sup> May 1808 fifty acres  
I purchased of Thos. Murphy dated 10 of May 1808 Also one other tract of about two  
hundred & fifty acres being part of four several tracts granted to John Murphy Em.  
Simmons & myself Beginning at a pine the second corner of Hedges hill 94 acres  
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Two acres I bought of Wm & Abner Harget dated 2<sup>nd</sup> of June 1813  
One Hundred & fifty acres I bought of Robt Horngay dated 26 of March 1814  
fifty acres I bought of Daniel Ambras dated 12<sup>th</sup> July 1816.

One hundred & forty five acres I bought of Robt Horngay 2<sup>nd</sup> of June 1813.  
Two hundred acres I bought of Robt Horngay dated -

Sixty six acres I bought of Isaac Horngay dated 22 of June 1814.

Two hundred and twenty acres on the East side of River dam branch that I bought  
of Edmund Hatch 4<sup>th</sup> of July 1814.

Thirty acres I bought of Alfred & Lewis Harget 25<sup>th</sup> of Sept 1814

Sixty four acres I bought of Thos Murphy dated 20<sup>th</sup> of Sept. 1814

Six and half acres I bought of Jas. Reynolds dated 8<sup>th</sup> Aug 1 1814

Six and half acres I bought of Israel Harget dated 25<sup>th</sup> of Sept 1814

One hundred & fifty four acres I bought of Sarah Foscue 6<sup>th</sup> of Oct 1817.

Thirty three acres I bought of Zephry Bryan dated 11<sup>th</sup> Feb 1816

Ten acres I bought of Zephry Mumford dated the 22<sup>nd</sup> of Sept. 1818

Eleven acres I bought of John C Bryan dated 12<sup>th</sup> of Nov. 1818

Eleven acres I bought of Emil. Foscue dated 13<sup>th</sup> of Feb 1816

Six and half acres I bought of Jas. Brooks dated 25<sup>th</sup> of Sept 1814

Also one acre of Land that I obtained of Bryan Mumford for a mill seat with  
the Improvement thereto to him his heirs and assigns forever. -

Item 4<sup>th</sup> I give and devise unto my Son Furnifold Green Simmons the following property  
subject to such restrictions and regulations as shall be specified at the conclusion of  
the marriage. viz, One tract of land on the south side of Trent River Beginning at a  
Red oak Deane Hatch's corner known and distinguished by the name of the  
asher corner and runs thence so. 88 E. south sixty eight degrees East to Trent River  
then up the various courses thereof to the mouth of Lipsys branch then up the same  
the various courses thereof until it reaches the dividing line between me and Genl x  
Deane Hatch and with the same to the Beginning also one Lot in Sartorius  
Rd. It is provided said Furnifold should die before he is of Lawful age without  
having given the said lands to be equally divided between my two sons Lemuel and  
Amos, to him his heirs and assigns forever.

Item 5<sup>th</sup> I give and devise to my Daughter Polly Simmons the following property sub-  
ject to the Regulations and restrictions here after expressed. One tract of land on the  
W. side of Trent River known and distinguished by the name of the Burnet plantation  
Beginning at a Cypress Tree on the river bank Simon Foscues lower corner on River with his  
line at N. 80 1/2 one hundred and twenty rods to a Stake then no 20 ft. 144 rods then no.  
23 at 12 rods then no. 20 E. 80 rods then no. 5 west 10 rods to a Rock patent line as now  
existing and with the same south 80 and 110 rods to Edmund Hatch's corner then  
23 ft. 228 rods to Joseph Sanderson's line then to 5 at with said Sanderson's line 138 rods  
then with the end line of a line from Benj. Brooks to Amos Simmons  
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until it will strike the division line between the heirs of John Simmons and myself then  
with said division line So 19<sup>°</sup> 47' 320 poles to Trent River then up the same to the  
beginning containing about three hundred & eighty acres exclusive of 149 $\frac{1}{2}$  acres I  
sold to Lewis Hosue difference being had to my said, one other tract of land  
on the 1st lot prong of Bachelors Creek part of two tracts one granted to  
Amos Simmons & Hardy Hitchcock for 224 acres the other granted to myself for forty  
five acres which two tracts contains about one hundred and twelve acres Also  
in or near the fork of Whiteock river one other tract of two hundred acres  
lying ~~up~~ <sup>to</sup> the fork of the <sup>Whiteock</sup> ~~up~~ <sup>Imark</sup> joining Jacob Field lines, Jacob Field lines the two last  
<sup>other</sup> ~~part~~ <sup>part</sup> of the hundred ~~acres~~ <sup>acres</sup> mentioned tracts was granted to the late Amos Simmons and myself jointly reference being  
had to said grants One other tract of land on the no. side Trent River and East-  
side of Beaver Dam Branch Beginning at a pine the beginning of a 311 acre patent  
granted to John Murphy Esq. R. H. with a line of the same due East 88 poles then N. E.  
30<sup>°</sup> 45' 35<sup>°</sup> to a line of Emt. Simmons, 80 acres survey near the little Pococonos  
and runs with a line of the same So 74<sup>°</sup> 47' 216 poles to Beavardam branch then  
down the same to the Beginning containing about 225 acres provided always that my  
other children have immovable copy and interest to and from said River mentioned in the  
forepart of 5th Item and 4th page, for the special purpose of landing lumber and raw  
- stones at the log landing And if the said Polly Should die before the arrives of  
lawful age and without lawful issue the said lands to be equally divided between  
my other children to her and her heirs forever -

Item 6th I give and devise to my youngest son Amos L. Simmons the following property  
subject to the regulations and restrictions hereafter expressed viz. One tract of Land on the  
south side of Trent River Beginning at a Red Oak Durant Hatch's corner known and  
distinguished by the name of ashers corner and runs thence south sixty eight East to  
Trent River then down the same to the mouth of Hatch's Mill Run then up the same  
to the main Road near the mill thence to Buckers Hatch's corner thence with his line  
his line to Clavers branch then up the same to Stiles corner Oak then with his and the  
late Lemuel Hatch's line to Durant Hatch's line and with his lines to the Beginning also  
Eighty acres of Land on the no. side of Trent River offset the above in Frederick's neck  
joining Edward Mumfords line, Also two hundred & fifty acres granted to the late  
Emmanuel Simmons on Bachelors Creek in the difference tracts including the premises  
whereon the said Emil. lived, One hundred acres joining the same granted to myself  
by Patent dated 26 of Novr 1793. one hundred & eighty acres granted to the same by  
Patent 26 of Novr 1793 Fifty acres of land granted to the same dated 7th Novr 1795 -  
One hundred & fifty acres granted to the same Novr 22<sup>nd</sup> day 1803. - Fifty acres -  
joining the same granted to the same and dated the same Novr 22<sup>nd</sup> 1803. Two hundred  
and five acres that I purchased of Edmund Hatch dated 30<sup>th</sup> of May 1808 Fifty acres  
purchased of Thos. Murphy dated 10 of May 1808 Also one other tract of about two  
hundred & fifty acres being part of Horn Island tract granted to John Murphy Esq.  
Simmons & myself Beginning at a pine the second corner of Hezekiah Morris's 94 acre  
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Survey in John Murphy's line and runs with Merritt's line to 60<sup>ft</sup> & 200<sup>ft</sup> to the beginning of 160 acres granted to myself and runs with the courses of said grant. So. 31<sup>ft</sup>. lot 20<sup>ft</sup> then so 30<sup>ft</sup> 18<sup>ft</sup>. per then no. 5<sup>ft</sup> lot 34<sup>ft</sup> per then so. 21<sup>ft</sup>. 70<sup>ft</sup> per to Edmund Hatch's corner then no. 8<sup>ft</sup> lot 21<sup>ft</sup> per then no. 1<sup>ft</sup> lot 48<sup>ft</sup> per then no. 29<sup>ft</sup> lot 28<sup>ft</sup>. to the fifth corner of John Murphy's Survey. then with said ownership line East 80<sup>ft</sup> pole then no. 20 lot 34<sup>ft</sup> per to a corner of Amos Simmons 80 acre survey and with a line of the same to 7<sup>ft</sup> lot 11<sup>ft</sup> or until it will strike the corner beneathed to my daughter Polly Simmons and with her line to the Beginning. fifty acres on the Land Ridge granted to me by patent 7<sup>th</sup> of Nov. 1795. also fifty acres lying on the Mincy Branch on both sides of the County line and adjoining Isaac Norridge's land stated. Also one other tract of land on the N.E. side of Rock River containing two hundred acres deeded by Joseph Griswold to Amos Simmons 21<sup>st</sup> of January 1797 One hundred & twelve acres deeded by Benjamin Brockell to Amos Simmons 8<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1801. one other piece of land containing the two last mentioned tracts. Beginning at a white oak in the In-grove road a corner of the Griswold tract and runs south forty five East seventy three poles to Hatch's corner then with the line of a bequeath to my Daughter Polly north fifty five East three hundred & twenty eight poles to the out lines of a tract from Benja. Brockell to Amos Simmons dated 9<sup>th</sup> of February 1804 then with the out lines of the same the River thereof to the Beginning containing one hundred & ninety acres. Also one other tract of about five hundred and ten acres being part of four different tracts granted to Benj. Hitchcock Wm. G. Gray Thos Murphy and myself Beginning at the fourth corner of the Wilson patent and runs due East two hundred & seventy eight poles to Robert Jones' Patent line and with the same south one hundred & ninety poles to Wilson's patent line and with the lines of said patent the River thereof to the Beginning. Provided said Amos dies before lawful age & without issue then said lands to be divided between my two sons Samuel & Farnsworth or the survivors of them, to him his heirs and assigns forever.

Item, I give & devise unto my youngest Daughter Sophia Elenore Simmons the following property subject to such regulations and restriction hereafter excepted 2<sup>nd</sup> page

One tract of land known and distinguished by the name of the Brockell plantation which piece of land I purchased of Amos H. Simmons and bearing date 11<sup>th</sup> of December 1817 containing three hundred & forty six acres Also one other piece of land containing one hundred & fifty three acres being apart of said Brockell plantation known by the appellation of Lot No. 3 which fall to the share of John P. Simmons. And if the said Sophia E. Simmons should die before the arrival of lawful age not leaving issue of her body then the said lands to be divided between all my children or their survivors. to her heirs and assigns forever

Item I give and bequeath unto my son Samuel Simmons my horseman's pistols & sword also my surveyors compass Chain and case of Plotting Instruments & field notes to him his heirs and assigns forever

Item I give and bequeath unto my son Farnsworth one Riding horse Bridle & Saddle.

also my hunting gun Black & shot pouch likewise my pocket Watch also my

Copper Contractor and a pair of dividers to him and his heirs forever. Item 11<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Polly Simmons one negro Girl named Aggy one big mare named Granil Bridle & Saddle one Leather bed Stand & furniture one covered Trunk to her heirs forever.

Item 11<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Sophia Elenoy Simmons one negro Girl named Valet and five hundred dollars in Cash to be paid her when she is of Lawful age or slaves to her heirs forever.

Item 12<sup>th</sup> I further give and devise unto my son Furniford Subject to the Regulations mentioned in the 1<sup>st</sup> Item of this will, Viz All my lands whatsoever that has not already been given away in the foregoing clauses of this will to him his heirs and assigns forever.

Item 13<sup>th</sup> My will and devise is that one fifth part of my negro Slaves that is not given away in the foregoing clauses of this will be allotted to my wife to her heirs forever.

and the Remaining four fifths to be allotted of to my four children - namely Furniford, Polly, Amos & Sophia, as they shall severally arrive of age or Majority to be equally divided there and share alike to them their heirs and assigns forever.

Item 14<sup>th</sup> My devise is that all my Books shall be kept by my Executors in good preservation until my children arrives at the age of Care and discretion when it may be necessary to use them in their studies then the same to be equally and fairly divided amongst all my children to them their heirs and assigns forever.

Item 15<sup>th</sup> I will that my antiquated Silver Buckles be kept until my son Amos arrives of age then to be divided with those things I bestow my wife between my two Sons Furniford & Amos.

Item 16<sup>th</sup> My will and devise further is that the Residue of my Estate not already devised be sold by Executors for the payment of my just debts, and the Surplus that may remain after deducting necessary charges together with what debt may be due me hire of negroes and the Rent of the Plantation till they are set off arrears, my children are intituled to their respective and specific legacies agreeable to the tenor and meaning of this will to be equally and fairly divided between my four children viz Furniford, Polly, Amos and Sophia, to share and share alike to them their heirs and assigns forever -

Item 17<sup>th</sup> My further request is that particular care and pains be taken to give my children a judicious and competent education suitable to their circumstances and spear of life.

Item 18<sup>th</sup> My last and most earnest request is that peace and harmony may ever reign among my children which is more to be prised than the wedge of other and whereas no doubt some of the lands given in this will may happen once that is given in another Item, my will is that case that the first gift shall stand in preference to the latter having been very explicit in the several Items. I hope there will be no occasion of contention if there should arise any day will is that it shall be decided by my Executors and if he that complains will not abide by their word the property in dispute to be sold by my executors and the money carried to pay

Springing to be divided amongst all my children -

Item 19<sup>th</sup> lastly I nominate and appoint my Friends Durand Hatch & Edmund Hatch Jr. Thomas Murphy Esqrs and Lemuel H. Simmons Executors of this my last will and Testament hereby revoking and disannulling all others herebefore made acknowledging this only. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and acknowledged

by the Testator before  
us the subscriber witness

Thomas Murphy  
James Marchant

O. Simmmons

December the 31<sup>st</sup> 1819 The following Codicile annexed I acknowledge the foregoing will to be my last will and Testament subject to the restrictions hereafter named viz, The property I but ~~said~~ gave my wife ~~be equally~~ divided between my surviving children to them and their heirs -  
Item my will is that my oak mulga land that I bought at Sheriff sale also twenty five acres I bought at Sheriff sale near or adjoining the oak mulga land be sold by my executors for the payment of my debt  
Item my will is that my negro man Bill shall belong to my son Lemuel with the mills to him and his heirs forever.

Item whereas a doubt has arisen in my mind where in I have willed to my daughter Sophia in the foregoing will page the eighth line <sup>the</sup> seventh a certain piece of Land where in I have no legal title now if I should die not attaining a title for the same my will is that case is that she be paid one thousand dollars in addition to the legacy already given in page ninth Item 11<sup>th</sup> to her her heirs and assigns forever then as a doubt has arisen as respects the equity of my foregoing will if either of my sons Durward L Simmons or Amos L Simmons should die under age of twenty one not having issue lawfully begotten of their body my will is that their lands should be equally divided among all my children -

Signed and acknowledged in the presence of us the subscriber witness

December the 31. 1819

Thomas Murphy  
James Marchant

O. Simmmons

February 9<sup>th</sup> 1822 The following codicile annexed I acknowledge the foregoing will to be my last will and Testament Subject to the restrictions hereafter named viz my will is that all my lands which I have bequeathed to my son Joseph L Simmons to go to my Son Amos L Simmons and all the lands which I bequeathed to my son Amos L Simmons to go to my Son Durward L Simmons

and is that the land willed to my daughter Polly ~~Simmons~~ remain  
bequeathed to her - 1691

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known in this will by the name of the Barretts land in page 4<sup>th</sup> & Item 5<sup>th</sup> to go to my Daughter Sophia and that will to my daughter Sophia known in this will by the name of the Bracet Land in page 8<sup>th</sup> & Item 7<sup>th</sup> to go to my Daughter Sally.

State of North Carolina <sup>3</sup> Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions  
Jones County ) March Term 1822 -

Then was the annexed last will and Testament of Nathaniel Summons deceased produced and proved in due form of Law by the oaths of Thomas Murphy and James Marrett the two subscribing witnesses thereto as also the codicil annexed bearing date the 31<sup>st</sup> of December 1819. the codicile dated the 9<sup>th</sup> February 1822 not being signed by the testator was not admitted to probate ordered that said will be recorded at the same time Samuel H. Summons one of the executors therein named qualified as such agreeable to Law ordered that letters testamentary issue accordingly

A true copy of the original      Attest Abt. Torney Esq. B.B.  
Abt. Torney Esq. B.B.

February the 10<sup>th</sup> 1821

In the name of God amen I Sibby H Wise being weak of body but of sound mind & knowing that it is appointed unto all men once to die do make and ordain this my last will & Testament that is to say first I command my soul into the hands of God who gave it and my body to be Buried in a decent manner and leaving such worldly Estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with in this life I give Demise & dispose of in the following manner & form  
first I leave to my Beloved Wife Deborah Wise all my Estate Real and personal during her natural life after to be disposed of as follows  
first I give unto Archelus Bishop that I have raised the plantation whereon I now live to him his heirs & assigns forever  
And I give unto Joseph Morse one hundred dollars  
Then I give unto Benjamin Ganer Ezekiel Bell & myself Wise all the residue of my estate to be sold and equally divided between the three last mentioned retaining this to be my last ~~will~~ <sup>testament</sup> and revoking all other testaments made I constitute Joseph Morse & Archelus Bishop <sup>and</sup> my sole Executors to this my last will and Testament signed and acknowledged as my last will in the presence of us

Sibby H Wise

H Bryan  
Just Bryan

I enter this Codicil the day and date above written that Luke my negro slave shall not be considered by my executors as any part of my before mentioned Estate but that he shall be set free and enjoy his liberty signed in the presence of

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