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Jones County Court August Term 1802.

There was the within last Will & Testament of Charles Hay dec. duly proved in open Court by the Oath of Joseph Hill one of the subscribing Witnesses thereto & Orderd to be recorded.

Attest - Wm. Crum Clerk

State of N. Carolina

In the name of God Amen I William Lavender of Jones County I State aforesaid planter being weak in Body but of perfect sound mind & memory blessed be God, do therefore this Eleventh day of October in the Year of our Lord 1802 make & publish this my last Will & Testament in manner & form following, viz.

First - I give unto my beloved Wife, Hannah Lavender my Bay Mare & four Cows with Calf, Ten year old Hogs I four small sheats two Sows & twenty five Barrels of Corn, also I give unto my Wife 1 Bed. & furniture stead & Cord to her & her Heirs for ever.

Item - I also bind unto my beloved Wife Hannah Lavender all my land which I now live on during her natural life, then I give the same to my son Lavin Lavender after the death of my said Wife, to him his Heirs & assigns for ever.

Item - also I bind unto my beloved Wife all the rest of my house hold & kitchen furniture which is not given away until my son John Lavender arrives to the age of Twenty One, then the same to be sold & the money to be equally divided between all my Children except Lavin, who I have already made provision for.

Item - also my Will I desire is that all the rest of my property not mention'd shall be sold to enable my Executors to pay my just Debts, if any overplus after paying my Debts the same to be made use of as above mention'd amongst my Children.

I hereby nominate constitute & appoint my friend James Green my Executor to this my last Will & Testament, hereby disannulling all others by me heretofore made. In Testimony whereof I have unto set my Hand & seal the day & Year first within written.

Witness my Hand & seal the day & Year first within written. Wm. Lavender Esq. Signed, sealed, published & delivered for his last Will & Testament in presence of us who have hereunto set our names as Witnesses. Wm. Tippet, John Green & Dan. Lavender.

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The foregoing last Will & Testament of William Lavender dec. was duly exhibited in open Court Proved by the Oaths of John Green & Dan. Lavender two of the subscribing Witnesses thereto & Orderd to be Recorded. At the same time James Green the Executor therein named Qualified as such a suitable to Law Orderd. that Letters Testamentary Issue accordingly.

I true Copy from the Original in the Clerk's Office of Jones County. Attest - Wm. Crum Clerk

In the Name of God, Amen

I John Simmons of Jones County I State of N. Carolina being of a low state of health but of good & perfect memory under a sense of the omnipotence of God & the mortality of Man do this 13th day of July 1802 make & establish this my last Will & Testament in manner following.

Imprimis - I give I bequath unto my Wife Elizabeth three Negroes Toney, Pansy & Robin, two horses Jasper & Pinner, one Yoke of Oxen & Cart, one loom & tharnep, two ploughs two Hacks, two Pair Iron Traces, two Axes two this one Grand Stone, One ending Chair & tharnep, two Whals a Cornner & Moolins one hand & Mill & Hoghead half. Poxen, Oak Barrels Twenty Pounds one Cash all the stock of Rice fifty Barrels of Corn one third of my Pens one fourth of the Haddie half of my Hogs, four Cows & Calves, all of my Shop one Equitable third part of my House hold & kitchen furniture to her & her Heirs I assign & provide I also bind to my beloved Wife during her natural life one third part of my plantation including the House with the privilege of Wood & timber for the same.

I also bind her during her widowhood two Negroe Girls viz Chloe & Clarry.

Item - I give I bequath unto my daughter Polly Simmons one Woman saddle.

Item - It is my Will I desire that all my lands be equally divided between my sons as they arrive of lawful age, I for that purpose I do bequath my lands to them & I have for ever.

Item - Further it my Will I desire that all the rest residue & remainder of my Estate (with the two Girls Chloe & Clarry after the marriage of my Wife) be equally divided between my Children both sons & Daughters as they arrive of lawful age or marry. And lastly it is my Will I for purpose I do ordain & nominate & appoint Turn Over