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In the name of God amen I Joseph of Lincoln
County & State of North Carolina, Being an old man,
but of perfect mind & memory Thanks be given unto
Almighty God, Calling unto mind the mortality of
my body & knowing that is appointed unto men once
to die. Do make & ordain this my last will & testament
that is to say principally & first of all, I give & recommend
my soul unto the hands of Almighty God that gave it,
& my body I recommend to the Earth to be buried in a
decent Christian burial at the discretion of my executors
nothing doubting but at the General resurrection I shall
receive the same again by the almighty power of God.

And as touching such worldly Estate as unto it
hath pleased God to bestow upon me within this life, I give & devise
of the same in the following manner to wit

- 1st I give to my Daughter Sally Hughes or her heirs five
shillings after my decease to be paid when called for
by my Executors. when called for five shillings to
Polly Perkins or her heirs & five shillings to my daughter
Elizabeth Alexander or her heirs & five shillings to my
son Mr. H. or his heirs & to my daughter Rebecca
ward five shillings to her or her heirs & to my son
Isaac Fisk or his heirs five shillings & to my daughter
Susannah Perkins or her heirs five shillings & to
John Fisk or his heirs five shillings. Then to my daughter
Dolly Douglas or her heirs five shillings. Then after
all my just Debts are paid & each of the above named
legacies paid, together with my funeral expenses &
my wife, I give & bequeath, and my Mill and share
is after the decease of me & my wife, that my son
Brent Fisk takes care of us while we live
then all my Estate both real & personal that

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Bruant Fish is to Enjoy it as a gift by me to him, and his heirs forever. Signed & sealed & delivered in presence of us.

July 16th 1826 I Supersint Bruant Fish &
William Sutton my Executors Signed this
16th day of July 1826 William Fish ^{his} ^{good}
B. Prager ^{his}
Thomas Gullander.

Bruant Fish executor & sworn

In the name of God Amen. I, Wm. Gordon of the
County of Lincoln State of North Carolina being very sick and
weak in body but of perfect mind & memory. Thank be to God
calling unto mind, the mortality of my body do make and
Ordain this my last Will & Testament in manner following
I recommend my soul into the hands of Almighty God
that gave it & my body I recommend to the earth to be
buried in decent Christian burial at the discretion of my executor
and as touching such worldly estate wherewith it hath pleased
God to bless me in this life, I give, devise & dispose of the same
in the following manner & form.

First I give and bequeath to Lucretia my dearly beloved wife
so long as she remains a Widow, after paying all my
Just debts, all my lands & negroes, household goods
personal & moveable Estate to divide among our
Children at her discretion and pleasure both before and
after thy decease of age.

I do not provide my dearly beloved wife Lucretia