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Lawful Heirs to them and their heirs forever and I do further constitute and appoint my worthy Friends Joseph L. Pittman & Leavelle Powers Executors to this my last will and testament ratifying and confirming this to be my last will and testament Disannulling all other former wills whatever Intestacy whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this Twenty ninth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and Twenty five

Testator, swearing  
Sept. Harriet Lewis

(Signed) Lewis his Purris <sup>his</sup> & Seal  
mark

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This will of Lewis Purris Lewis was produced in open court and proven in due form of Law and on motion it was ordered to be Recorded

Attest Henry B Hunter Clerk  
by Basy F. Slade Delk

In the name of God amen. I John Pierce do ordain this to be my last will and testament.

Item 1<sup>st</sup> I bequeath all my Estate both real and personal of every <sup>kind</sup> description what soever unto my wife Samour during the term of her natural life

Item 2<sup>nd</sup> after the death of my wife I give all the Estate both real and personal of every kind and description hereby left unto my said wife unto Henry Slade and his heirs and assigns forever.

Signed by me this the Eleventh day of September 1826  
(Signed) John his Griffin  
Henry his Cooper  
mark mark

Maria Slade

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This paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of John Pierce was produced in open court and proven according to Law and on motion was ordered to be recorded

Attest Henry B Hunter Clerk  
by Basy F. Slade Delk

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In the name of God amen I James Reddick of the County of Martin in the State of North Carolina being in common health and sound disposing mind and memory and calling to mind the mortality of mankind and knowing it is appointed for all men to die do make and estaunce this my last will and Testament in manner & form following first I recommend my soul into the hands of the Almighty God that gave it and my body to be buried in a decent Christian like manner at the discretion of my executors my will and desire is that all my just debts and funeral charges be paid out of my estate

Item I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Daughter Nancy Reddick all my Estate real and personal and for her to have a good education to her and her heirs forever and if my Daughter Nancy dies leaving no heirs of her body for all my property to go to them I shall now mention

Item I give and bequeath to my sister Ann Duggan and two of the heirs of John Duggan Decd. (viz) James Duggan and Elizabeth Duggan my Negro woman Rose and her increase if James Duggan or Elizabeth should die leaving no heir lawfully begotten of their body for the surviving one to have all of both dies not being married for Ann Duggan to have the above named Negro and increase to her and her heirs forever

Item I give and bequeath to my sister Peggy Reddick my Negro boy Noah and half of the tract of land known by the name of Name horn neck provided that she will not marry this Lynch if she should marry P Lynch for my Execs to take the Negro boy and let him be divided between my sister Ann Duggan and my sister Maria Reddick and the land to return back and be divided with my other lands between them I shall hereafter mention ~~bequeath~~

Item I give and bequeath to my sister Maria Reddick my Negro boy Pleasant to her and her heirs forever

Item I give and bequeath to my Brother in law Humphrey Smithwick my Negro man Harry and him to pay his Brother Joe Smithwick and his Brother John Smithwick one hundred Dollars each and for them to have my Negro man Jim between them all

my will and desire is that all my lands be equally divided between Ann Duggan Peggy Reddick, Maria Reddick & James Duggan & Elizabeth Duggan but James and Elizabeth to have one lot between them if James or Elizabeth Duggan one of them die the surviving one to have the land if both die leaving no heirs lawfully begotten of their body for the land and all the rest of my property between them to go

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Be it known to all men by these presents that I Robert Brugge, and Peggy Riddick (wid) of Peggy does not many said Thomas Lynch if she marries Lynch, for all my property that will fall to her by her birth to go back to the above house and all my stock corn bacon, house hold & kitchen furniture to be sold together with all other less property and the notes to be equally divided between all the persons named in this my last will and testament.

I now I give and bequeath to my wife Mary Barnet five Shillings & toll  
Lastly I constitute and appoint William Brugge & Humphrey Smithwick  
my sole executors to this my last will and testament. Having recited  
and disavowing all former wills by me made and ratifying and  
confirming this and no other to be my last will and testament in writing  
whereof I have set my hand and seal this eighteenth day of March in the  
year of our Lord 1826

(Signed) James Riddick exec

Sworn by John J. Smithwick  
& John Riddick

State of North Carolina Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions September 1826  
Martin County 3 This will of James Riddick late deceased was produced in open  
Court by Humphrey Smithwick & William Brugge and was duly proven by  
the oath of John J. Smithwick and John Riddick who sworn to the hand  
writing of the said James Riddick the testator and the said Humphrey  
Smithwick and William Brugge Justified to execute the same and  
on Motion was ordered to be recorded

Attest Henry B. Hunter Esq.  
by Benj F. Glade Esq.

State of North Carolina Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions  
Martin County 3 living of sound mind and memory do constitute and retain  
this my last will and testament In the first place I give to my friend Peter  
Orrell six hundred & Glass. the balance of my personal property of what value  
soever after paying my just debts I give unto my Brother David &  
Gaylor and Sister Priscilla Gaylor to them their heirs and a spouse equally  
to be divided between them. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my  
hand and seal the 28th February 1826

Test. Int. J. Armstrong; (Signed) Robert J. Gaylor vice  
State of North Carolina Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions

Martin County 3 September Sessions 1826  
This will and testament of Robert J. Gaylor was produced in open  
Court by Peter Orrell Esq. and proven by the oath of John J. Armstrong  
who swore he saw the testator sign and acknowledge the same to  
be his last will and testament and that at the time of so signing  
and declaring he was of sound understanding mind & memory and  
on Motion was ordered to be recorded

Attest Henry B. Hunter Esq.  
by Benj F. Glade Esq.

December Sessions 1826

In the name of God Amen I Simon Everett of Martin County I. with Carolina  
kins of town are perfect mind and memory doth be leg. to this 22<sup>nd</sup> Day of April  
in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight Hundred & Twenty three make and seal  
this this my last will & Testament in manner following that is to say

First I give unto my son Simon Everett & James Everett all my lands plantation  
with all the improvements lying on flat swamp in the county aforesaid to be equally  
divided between them both my will and desire is that if my son Simon Everett  
should return and wish to live in the land my desire is that he shall take all the Land  
by giving his brother James Everett the value of his part of the said Lands of Simon  
Everett should wish to sell his part then my will & desire is that both parts of said Land  
may be sold together & the money there to be equally divided as aforesaid

Item I give unto my son Simon Everett one Negro man Frank after my death  
to him and his heirs forever

Item I give unto my son James Everett one Negro woman named Lydia and one  
boy child named Randall after my death to him and his heirs forever

Item I give unto my daughter Sally Everett one Negro girl named Jessie after  
my death to her and her heirs forever also I give unto my daughter Sally Everett the bed and sheet in furniture that  
she or after my death to her and her heirs forever

Item I give unto my wife Nelly Everett five pigs belonging to a white sow

Item all my Stock of horses cattle sheep & hogs house hold & kitchen furniture  
with all my farming tools of every denomination after paying my just debts  
I give to be Equally divided between Simon J. Everett Sally Everett & Samuel  
Everett if either of the above named children should die without any lawful  
heirs then my will and desire is that Mary Robuck wife of Raleigh Robuck to come  
in & take an equal part with the above named children in all their legacy  
except the Land then if Simon J. Everett or James J. Everett should die without any  
lawful heirs then the same shall take up the Land  
I give to be

My will and desire is that the negroes and that I have given to Elias  
Potts and Casy his wife and John Everett and Bennett  
Sally and wife Angelia Brown in their part of my property forever  
And I hereby make and ordain my Will by giving Thomas James  
Everett by this my last Will and Testament. A Testator  
whereof I the said Simon Everett to this my last Will &  
Testament did my hand and seal the day and year above  
written.

Signed this 1<sup>st</sup> October

Witness James Hart

State of North Carolina Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions  
Martin County 1<sup>st</sup> October last 1826  
The paper witness purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of Simon  
Everett late deceased was proven in open Court in due form of Law and  
on Motion was ordered to be recorded

As Simon Everett by law to necessary debts in open Court, Test. H. B. Hunter Esq.  
in sum of £100 to qualify him as executor to the Last Will &  
Testament of Simon Everett etc.

(Signed) Simon Everett etc.

Test. Henry B. Hunter Esq.  
by Benj F. Glade Esq.