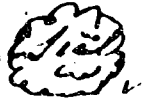


Signed Sealed published & pronounced & declared  
by the said Richard Hudson as his last will  
& Testament in the presence of us

John Thompson  
James Dunn  
John Thompson

Richard Hudson 

In The name of God Amen. I Benjamin Thomas of Meck  
lenburg County N<sup>o</sup> Carolina State being in perfect health &  
sound mind & memory but calling to mind the mortality  
of my body, Do make this to be my last will & Testament  
I do wish, I bequeath my soul to God who gave it & my body  
to the earth to be buried in Christian like manner by my  
executors hereafter mentioned, and my Estate as follows —  
First It is my will That all my just debts be paid, It is  
my desire That my wife may have my house & Land I now  
live on with all the household furniture, with all the Stock  
of Horses, Cattle, Hogs & Sheep with seven Negroes Hanover  
Cambridge, Sarah, Molly, Louisa, Daniel, I desire to dispose of  
as she thinks proper also two more Negroes Judy & Ann man  
including her natural life, After her death I give these  
Negroes Woman Judy to Mada Smartt with all her future  
increase so long as she and Mada live after her  
death, It is my last & desire that this Negro woman Judy with  
all her future increase to be equally divided between all  
her Children, I give this Negro woman Mary a long Negro man  
to Henry Smartt a son of Little Perry Smartt & Mada his wife  
to him & his heirs for ever And lastly I appoint my loving  
wife Rebecca Thomas my executrix & I declare this to this  
to be last will & Testament Respecting all others as void  
I have set my hand & seal this 16<sup>th</sup> day of October 1795

Signed Sealed in presence of us

Elizabeth Smartt  
Donald Mainwaird  
John Williams

Benjamin Thomas 