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In the name of God amen. The 2<sup>d</sup> day of February in the year of our Lord  
1811. I David Bear of the State of North Carolina & County of Mecklenburg  
in the State of North Carolina having hands legible to write. Therefore  
willing to witness the soundness of my body this writing that it is apparent  
to all men here to see. Do make & publish my last will & testament  
which in this this especially I testify all present witnessing my hand to the  
best of my ability and interest hereby commanding & calling the same to  
be observed & kept in accordance with the same and doing my executed  
nothing contrary but as the general now written shall determine they  
same legacy by mighty power of God to the living world by  
lottery where with it shall please God to keep me in this life. I give  
devise & dispose of in this following manner & form -

I give & devise all my just debts to be paid as also my funeral expenses &  
I give my late beloved daughter Elizabeth Bear alias Hodge all in Mass  
age in Sundries to the amount of one hundred & twenty dollars and also  
to her with the same to her for her proper use -

I give & devise to my well beloved daughter Mary Bear in Sundries  
of the same kind to same amount of one hundred & twenty Dollars -  
also a bed & furniture left her by her grand mother Elizabeth Bear at her  
death. I give & devise to my well beloved daughter Mary Bear in Sundries of the  
same kind to the same amount of one hundred & twenty Dollars.  
Also my riding horse and two saddle horses to John C. Bear  
to bear to her and are acknowledged to make one division when they  
are about eighteen years of age or sooner if expedient -

I will my two negroes Big Jack & Polly (now called Mary) to my beloved  
wife as joint her slaves for life after her death. I will my wife  
man Jack to my son James, and my negro girl Mary after my wife  
death to my son John C. Bear and of the said negroes Mary has any  
child and I leave them to her wife and by my beloved wife Margaret  
Bear as circumstances may stand her

It may well please me that my plantation be equally divided between  
my sons now Big James & John at the division of my possessions. & if one  
should die before the age of Twenty one, then his part of the land to devide  
to the other son.

hand of God's blessing and protection, but my heart and soul to the earth to be buried in a silent tomb to cover the sins and folly of my banished master, starting but at the general resurrection of all men. Then same especially by mighty power of God to the willing flesh worthy to taste whereon it shall please God to lay me in this life; I give and devise & dispose of in the following manner & place -

My wife I give all my plantations to her and her several expenses & £100. I give to my late beloved daughter Charlotte her child in Mass eyes in hundreds to the amount of one hundred & twenty Dollars and do likewise the same to her for her proper uses -

Item. I bequeath to my well beloved daughter Anne Barr in hundreds of the sum held to some amount of one hundred & twenty Dollars also a bed & furniture left her by her grand mother Agnes Barr at her death. Item. I bequeath to my well beloved daughter Mary Barr in hundreds of the sum held to the same amount of one hundred & twenty Dollars.

Item. My Negroes and slaves to my two sons John & Peter Barr be part to them each and are a title held in each one of them when they are about eighteen years of age or sooner if I prefer it -

Item. I will my two negroes Big Jack & Puff (now called Harry) to my beloved wife who first bore serving her life & after her death I will my wife then back to my son John, and my negro girl Harry after my wife death to my son Peter Barr and of the said negro Harry has any child and I leave them to her wife now by my beloved wife Margaret Barr as circumstances may demand her -

Item. My will & pleasure that my plantation be equally divided between my two sons big Jack & Peter at the discretion of my executors, & if one should die before the age of twenty one, then his part of the land to descend to the other son & if both should die to be left to my wife Margaret Barr - I bequeath to my beloved wife all my land & plantation during her life & then passing into the hands of her husband & others with the stock of every kind -

Item. My books on the original Languages by Hobbes, Greek & Latin I leave to be sold of more than forty Vols & their value to go to the

Leaving, and if either of them does their said book to belong, taking  
the remainder of my books to belong to my wife during her life and  
then, divided among my sons & daughters.

I now well & fully declare that the household furniture shall belong to  
my wife during her life & then to be disposed of as she sees fit, of my  
goods I understand my wife Ardath Wilson shall be James' wife on my  
deathbed of this my last will & testament, and do hereby, setting  
forfeite & disown all & every other testament, will, or legacy  
I might & presented her in any wise before this time named & called  
"Biggs" at the place whereof & concerning this woman above to be my  
last will & testament. In witness whereof I have set my hand  
and seal the day & year above written.

Signed, sealed, published, pronounced & declared  
by the said David Barr as his last will & testament  
in the presence of -

Matthew Barr  
Jeton Wilson  
John Faust

David Barr { Seal

In the Name of God the Father. The 18<sup>th</sup> day of April 1874 I  
Narcia Barker of the County of Rockingham, State of North Carolina  
being sick & weak in body, but of sound mind & memory and  
calling to mind the mortality of my body & knowing that it is  
appointed for all men once to die. Do make & declare this my  
last will & testament, And as touching such worldly estate  
hereinwith I have placed God to keep me in this life, I give  
the possession of the same in the following manner & viz  
After all my legal debts are paid - I give & bequeath  
to my wife beloved wife Polly all my household furniture  
my gray mare & a mule & cows - The remainder of my  
property to be left under the direction of my executors  
for the purpose of raising my family during my wife's  
widowhood or until they all come of age, then the prop-  
erty not ~~left~~ equally divided among