

In the name of God Amen. I Hugh Harris of the County of
 Mecklenburg, State of North Carolina being in a State of Indis-
 position & Judging that the providence of God may bring abou-
 the dissolution of my body before long have thought pro-
 per to declare this my last Will & Testament as follows Viz
 1st I Will that my body be committed to its kindred earth in a decent
 & Christian like manner at the discretion of my Executors hereafter
 appointed & the following disposition take place —

- 2^d I Will to my Wife Maria Harris the mansion house wherein I
 now live, together with all other buildings, Farming Utensils
 & Negroes, Horses & Stock of all kind or so much of them as she finds
 in need of during her natural life, & she I Will to her survive
 at her own disposal one Negro Woman of her own choice
 by the will of all the Heirs & I Will to her, Furniture of the household
- 3^d I Will to my son Hugh Two hundred & Eleven Acres & $\frac{1}{2}$ of this
 of the tract of land on which I now live on the North & West side
 of my house, Beginning at a high way on Springs line about 20
 poles West of my Spring house, running thence N 13 W 122 poles to
 a high way near the big branch, thence N 62 E 111 poles to a stake on
 Neeshams line, thence N 9 W 14 poles to Neeshams & M^r George
 corner, thence with the various courses of the S D tract to the
 beginning also the NW end of the Indian land beginning at
 a log run on the State line running thence a straight course to Cape
 Matthews & Post oak corner on to Parsons line, also my cloak at my
 wifes death — 4th I Will that the residue of my property which is
 not already bequeathed is to remain in the hands of my wife for
 her use during her natural life Except such part of the stock &
 Negroes as might be thought an encumbrance, these are to be
 disposed of by the Executors if it meets with my wifes appro-
 bation the benefit of such sales are to be for the use of my wife
 if she needs it & not otherwise, also at my wifes death my
 land is to be appraised or Valued & that my son Hugh shall have
 the first refusal of it at the Value set upon it, also that the
 remainder, of my Estate be equally divided between my Children
 Except my son John that if he has no legal offspring his share

I will that my body be committed to its kindred earth in a decent & Christian like manner at the discretion of my Executors hereafter appointed & the following disposition take place —

- 1st I Will to my Wife Martha Harris the main side house where I now live, together with all other buildings, Farming Utensils & Negroes, Horses & Stock of all kind or so much of them as she shall in need of during her natural life, & she I Will to her survivors at her own disposal one Negro Woman of her own choice by the tenth of the Month of October, Furniture of the household &c.
- 2nd I Will to my son Hugh Two hundred & 80 acres more or less of the tract of Land on which I now live on the North West side of my house, beginning at a high way on Springs line about 20 poles West of my Springhouse, running thence N 13 W 122 poles to a high way near the big branch, thence N 62 E 111 poles to a stake on Meachams line, thence N 9 W 14 poles to Meachams & M. Henrys corner, thence with the various courses of the SD tract to the beginning also the NW end of the Indian land beginning at a 15 Gun on the State Line running thence a straight course to Capt Matthews Post oak corner on Parsons line, also my cloak at my Wifes death —
- 4th I Will that the residue of my property which is not already bequeathed is to remain in the hands of my wife for her use during her natural life Except such part of the Stock & Negroes as might be thought an Encumbrance, these are to be disposed of by the Executors if it meets with my Wifes approbation, the benefit of such sales are to be for the use of my wife if she needs it & not otherwise, also at my Wifes death my Land is to be appraised or Valued & that my son Hugh shall have the first refusal of it at the Value set upon it, also that the remainder, if my Estate be equally divided between my Children Except my son John that if he has no legal offspring his share to remain only half a share of what is among my Sons & Daughters also that share which would fall to my son Robert shall be equally divided between his Children only that his son John shall take two shares of what is coming to his brothers & sisters

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Also that my heirs be bound to take at the appraisement by the Legates, — 5th That if any misunderstanding or dispute about the estate should arise the Executors shall choose three disinterested persons of good understandings to give their verdict in writing as to what they think is the meaning of the Will or what would be justice in the case, & this Verdict is to be final, & if any of the Legates shall carry it into a Court of Law or Equity, that they shall thereby forfeit all their Right, Title & Interest in this my last Will & Testament. — 6th I Will & appoint my wife Executrix of this my last Will & Testament. Signed Sealed & published this 25th day of September in the year of our Lord 1824 in presence of—

George G Barnett
James Harris
L. Buchanan

Hugh Harris 

I Hugh Harris of the County of Mecklenburg & State of North Carolina Do this 10th day of June 1825 make & publish this Codicil to my last Will & Testament in manner following (that is to say)
I Give to my Grand son Hugh Clark Harris the sum of fifty dollars
to my Grandson Robert Calvin Green & Grand daughter Martha Harris Green the sum of Twenty dollars each to be given in specie
And whereas in & by my last Will & Testament I have given to my son Hugh Harris the residue of a part of my land at the appraised price my Will is that if Richard Peoples my son in Law will come & live with my wife Martha Harris & take care of her, that he shall have the privilege granted to my son Hugh Harris, but if he does not come & live with her, that he is not to have that privilege. —
And lastly It is my desire that this my present Codicil be annexed to and made a part of & last Will and Testament to all intents & purposes — In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 10th day of June in the year of our Lord 1825 —

Signed Sealed published & declared by the said above named Hugh Harris as a Codicil to his last Will and Testament

what they think of the matter. What would be justice
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thereby forfeit all their Right, Title & Interest in this my last
Will & Testament — 6th I Will & appoint my wife Executrix
& Rev^d J Green & my son Hugh Executors of this my last Will &
Testament. Signed Sealed & published this 25th day of September
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George S Barnwell
James Harris
L. Merham

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annexed to his last Will and Testament

in the presence of
James Harris
William Rivers

Hugh Harris 