

Christian Era 1816 I John Hipworth of the State of North Carolina & County of Mecklenburg being of sound mind knowing that it is appointed to all men to die, Do declare that my earthly estate be disposed of in the manner & form following, I direct my after appointed Executor to have my body a decent burial— Then I will & bequeath to my daughter Betsy Cathcart one Year Old Horse colt—

Then I will & bequeath to my daughter Sally Hipworth one horse mare one pair of Drawers two beds with their usual furniture to her & her heirs, Also it is my will & desire that Sally have the use of a part of my dwelling house sufficient to contain the furniture now by with John & for herself when attending to her common & necessary housework while she remains in single life— Then I will & bequeath to my son John Hipworth the plantation or tract of land wherein I now live, also one black horse named Rooster, one bed & the usual furniture to him & his heirs— I will & direct that the Grain, forage & meat

Including one fat Hog at present on my farm remain for the support of my children Sally & John— Should they continue to live as one family but on separating to different places of residence the grain forage & meat to be equally divided I wish have one share I will & direct that the remainder of my Estate including the Corn & Wheat at present in the care of Mr John Means be sold at public vendue on a one month credit & the money applied to the payment of all just debts & on a final settlement of my Estate the remainder to be for the use of my children Sally & John— Lastly I constitute & appoint Hugh Park to be Executor of this my last will & Testament until my son John Hipworth arrives to the age of Twenty one year— Then it is my Will & I do hereby constitute my son John Hipworth my sole Executor, directing my first appointed Executor to transfer the whole business to my last appointed one, provided always that if any suits in law be at issue & undetermined Respecting my Estate then in that case my first appointed Executor will continue to act during such law suits, & finally,

I do hereby make & make void all former wills or Testaments by me made In Witness Whereof I have set my hand & seal this 2^d day of March 1816— Signed Seal, pronounced and declared by John Hipworth to be his last will and

the manner of my following, I direct my after appointed executor
to have my body a Decent Burial — Then I will bequeath to
my daughter Victory Cathcart one Year Old Horse colt —
Then I will bequeath to my daughter Sally Hipworth one horse mare
one pair of Drawers two beds with their usual furniture to her & her
Husband, Also it is my will & desire that Sally have the Use of a part of
my dwelling house sufficient to contain the furniture now by with
her & for herself when attending to her common & necessary house work
while she remains in single life — Then I will bequeath to my son John
Hipworth the plantation or tract of land whereon I now live, also
one black horse named Booth, one bed & the usual furniture to
him & his Heirs — I will direct that the Grain, forage & meal
including one fat Hog at present on my farm remain for the Use
of my children Sally & John — Should they continue to live as
one family but on separating to different places of residence the grain
forage & meat to be equally divided & each have one share
I will direct that the remainder of my Estate including the Corn & Wheat
at present in the care of Mr. John Means be sold at public vendue on a
one month credit & the money applied to the payment of all just
debts & on a final settlement of my Estate the remainder to be for the use
of my children Sally & John — Lastly I constitute & appoint Hugh Park
sole Executor of this my last Will & Testament until my son John
Hipworth arrives to the age of twenty one year — Then it is my Will & I do
hereby constitute my son John Hipworth my sole Executor, directing
my first appointed Executor to transfer the whole business to my last
appointed one, provided always that if any suits in law be at issue
& undetermined respecting my Estate, then in that case my first appoint-
ed Executor will continue to act during such law suits, & finally
I do hereby revoke & make void all former Wills or Testaments by me
made. In Witness Whereof I have set my hand & seal this 2^d day
of March 1816 — Signed sealed, pronounced and
declared by John Hipworth to be his last Will and
Testament in presence of us the subscribing witnesses

William Berryhill
William Allison

John Hipworth

