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In the name of God I command John Hutchinson of Hutchinson County  
in the Province of N<sup>o</sup> Carolina being weak in body, but of perfect mind  
memory & judgment thanks be to God for it, have thought fit to make  
this my last Will & Testament hereby making void all other Wills  
& Testaments heretofore by me made or done, - first I recommend  
my body to the Earth to be buried in a Christian & decent man-  
ner at the discretion of my executors & my soul to God for keep-  
ing these Christ's merits & righteousness - next I will that all my  
just & due debts be paid - next I will & appoint that all my moveable  
estate remain in the hands & under the care of my wife in Order to  
raise, support & maintain my four youngest children my former  
Sonnes, Sarah & Daniel & that my wife have for herself one third  
part of all my moveable estate & that between my wife & children  
shall by their moderation pay for their want of Land on which I thinke that  
then when my youngest son or child is come to age of twenty one years  
that then said land & improvements shall be valued by three men  
by them chosen for that purpose & its price or value equally divided  
amongst my wife & our children as above ~~mentioned~~ named  
& that any one of my children as above mentioned may purchase it & pay  
the rest there then or otherwise it must be sold & the money arising  
divided as above said, but if the Land is not paid for I appoint  
that it be sold at the discretion of my executors I also leave unto  
Alexander & James Hutchinson my two eldest sons ten Shillings  
apiece - I also make & appoint Sarah Hutchinson my true &  
loving wife & James Boyce in whose fidelity I trust my true &  
sincere executors of this my last will & testament, the witness  
whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 17<sup>th</sup> day of  
October in the year of our Lord 1776 -

signed, sealed, published & declared  
in presence of us ...

William Brown  
Margaret Brown  
John Telford  
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John Hutchinson

In the name of God amen, this 1<sup>st</sup> day of June in the year 1793  
John Hutchinson affixed my hand to this instrument in the office of Notary

My body to the Earth to be buried in a Christian & decent Manner & the disposition of my Effects & my Soul to God for Acceptance. These I leave to my wife & Children except I will that all my just debts be paid — Next I will & appoint that all my moveable effects remain in the hands & under the care of my wife in order to Raise, Support & Maintain my four youngest children my former Son, Sarah & Daniel & that my wife have for herself one third part of all my moveable Estate & that I leave if my wife & children shall by their Industry pay for their Part of Land on which I live that then when my youngest son or Child is come to age of Twenty one years that then said Land & improvements shall be valued by three men by them chosen for that purpose & its price or value equally divided amongst my wife & four children as above mentioned named & that any one of my children as above mentioned may purchase it & pay for rest there or otherwise it must be sold & the money arising divided as above said, but if the Land is not paid for I appoint that it be sold at the discretion of my executors I also leave unto Alexander & James Henderson my two eldest sons ten Shillings apiece. I also make & appoint Sarah Henderson my true & loving wife & James Boyce in whose fidelity I trust my true & faithful executors of this my last will & Testament, the witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 17<sup>th</sup> day of October in the year of our Lord 1776 —

signed, sealed, published & declared  
in presence of us —

William Brown  
Margaret Brown  
John Ferguson  
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John Henderson Esq<sup>r</sup>

In the name of God Amen, This 17<sup>th</sup> day of June in the year 1793 John Henderson of the County of Northumberland in the State of North Carolina, being sick & weak in body but of a sound mind & memory, ready to die, calling to mind the mortality of my body — — — — — & appointed for all case to die, do make