

In presence of
Frederick Cronde
Jm Harrison

Hugh Houston

12 In the name of God, Amen. I Thomas Howell of the County of Brunswick
State of N. Carolina being weak in body but yet of a perfect mind an
immaculate thanks be to God, for it, & therefore coming to mind the worth
of my body I am coming that it appointed for all men one to die, &
make & declare this to be my last will & Testament. First of all I give
soul into the hands of the Almighty God that gave it & my body I am
willed to the Earth to be buried in a decent manner at the discretion of
my executors. And, as touching my worldly Estate wherein it hath pleased
God to bless me with in this life I give & dispose of the same in the fol-
lowing manner & form as follows, First of all I desire all my lands to
may be paid to. Then I give & bequeath unto my beloved son Noble
one hundred & thirty three Pounds six shillings which he bears me &
will all the debt that he owes me. — Then I give & bequeath unto
my beloved son John Harrison all that plantation known by the name
Parsons old place & also two negroes named James & Sarah. — Then I
bequeath unto my beloved son James all the Land I possess on the
side of the creek it being part of the land I live on allowing that
to be the line & also a negro boy named Jack; Then I give & bequeath
unto my beloved son Jeremiah all the land on the south side of
Creek where I now live allowing the creek to be the line & also a
girl named Ruth & also it is my request that James & Jeremiah
shall have the grist mill between them & to go equal share
the profits thereof only I allow the profits of the mill to the
of my family while they live together, Then I give & bequeath
my daughter Eliza with a negro girl named Charlotte I give
bequeath unto my daughter Lydia a negro woman named
Then I give & bequeath unto my daughter Eleanor & James son
boy named Joseph only I allow my son Robert to have the use
said boy to Eleanor comes to the age of 18 years or marries &
it is my will & pleasure that all the land I hold on the 9

Branch of another creek the place of said or the water of Mill Spring
 creek known by the name of Coates place shall be sold at public sale
 the price to be divided between my three sons Harris, Robert & Jeremiah, I likewise
 have fifty pounds & Harris twenty pounds & the remainder to be equally
 divided between the three, and further it is my desire that my negro
 my named Sam shall be sold amongst the Legates & to be equally
 divided between my four sons Robert, Harrison, James & Jeremiah
 and further it is my desire that my two stills with all the utensils
 there said distillery shall be sold at public sale & to be equally divided
 between my three daughters Elizabeth, Lydia & Eleanor; & further it
 is my desire that my daughter Lydia shall have one horse named
 Jack & two cows, & likewise my son Harrison one mare called P. C.
 & one colt & two cows, & likewise my son Jeremiah one mare named
 Sally & one colt with two cows, & likewise my daughter Eleanor one
 mare named pluck & two cows, & further it is my desire that
 she shall have three beef steers & ten sheep & all the Hags for the use of
 the family & the remainder of my stock Horses Cows & sheep shall be
 sold at public sale & be equally divided between my three daughters
 Elizabeth, Lydia & Eleanor, & likewise it is my desire that all the
 corn wheat & Rye that is not made use of in the family shall be
 sold at public sale together with the Tobacco Crop & the price
 to be equally divided between my four sons, & likewise it is my
 desire that my wagon & Horses with all the plantations tools of
 every kind shall be equally divided between my three sons
 Harrison James & Jeremiah, and it is my desire that my
 debts be paid out of what is owing me & the remainder of my
 debts to be equally divided between my four sons, & it is my desire
 that my three daughters Lydia & Eleanor shall have each one of
 them a bed & furniture the best & suitable to be best to my daughter
 Lydia & it is my desire that my dearest affairs shall be guided as
 to between my daughters Lydia & Eleanor & the remainder of the
 same shall be of furniture of every kind to be equally divided between
 my three sons Harrison, James & Jeremiah, & it is my desire that
 Harrison & James shall have each one of them a saddle —
 and I do hereby constitute & appoint my son Robert Hood and
 John Hood & Jeremiah Harrison to be my sole executors of this

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 one colt & two cows, & likewise my son Jeremiah one mare named
 Sally & the colt with two cows. & likewise my daughter Eleanor one
 mare named black & two cows, & further it is my desire that
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 and I do hereby constitute & appoint my son Robert Hood and
 John Hood & Jeremiah Harrison to be my sole executors of this
 last will & Testament, Disavowing all & every other former
 will & Testament & Legacies by me made written & bequeathed
 in writing & confirming them & no other to be my last will

and Testament. In witness whereof the said Thomas Head hath hereunto set his hand & signed his seal this 6th day of October 1799 - Signed Sealed & delivered by the said Thomas Head his last will & Testament in the presence of us who in the presence of each other have hereunto set our names

Saml Black

Reuben Head

John Black

Thomas Head

In the name of God Amen. I Grace Kiniston widow of James Head deceased of Mecklenburg County State of N Carolina, being of perfect mind in body best of Reason & disposing memory, do hereby bequeath and selling to my dear friends the mortality of the body & that it is appointed unto me to die, do hereby bequeath in this my last will as follows, first of all recommend my soul to God who gave it, & my body to the earth to be buried in a Christian-like & decent manner at the discretion of my Executors herein after named & as touching my worldly estate I dispose of the same as follows. - I give & bequeath unto my Grand daughter Grace crockett Daughter to my daughter Agnes Pettis cow & calf, to my Grandson, James Houston & Patterson son to my daughter Margaret wife to John Patterson one of my two small negroes that he be my son James having his choice first of either of the two I likewise bequeath unto my daughter Margaret (Patterson) one feather bed, bedstead & one cow & calf, Item I leave unto my daughter Susanah wife of William Harrison one cow & calf each to have their choice of the cows & calves in preference as they are herein named that is the first born first choice, I likewise leave unto my daughter Agnes Pettis son & to my sister in law the better I suppose 100 Dollars to be paid by my Executors as soon as convenient after my decease, I likewise leave unto my daughter Margaret Patterson my Negro woman & my black Pettis & the rest of my wearing apparel to be equally divided between my daughter Agnes Pettis & Susanah Harrison there & there alike. The rest of my property my Negroes & furniture is not before herein mentioned I leave unto my only son James N Houston, whom I do hereby nominate & appoint to be the sole Executor of this my last will, hereby revoking all other wills heretofore made by me.