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Benjamin Wicker's Will

In the Name of God Amen

I Benjamin Wicker of Moore County and State of North Carolina being sick & body but of sound and perfect Mind and Memory do make this my last Will & Testament in Manner and form following (viz) First I recommend my Sole to God Almighty doubting but he will dispose of it as best suits his godly Discretion and my body to be buried in a decent Christian like Manner at the discression of my Executors hereafter to be named, and as to the worldly goods it has been pleas God to bless me with, I will that they be disposed of in the following Manner — Item I will that the Land & Plantation whereon I now live being all the Land & Pasture on the North side of Mollisons Creek be Equally divided between my two Sons Benjamine Wicker and Levi Wicker to them their Heirs & Assigns for ever the division to be made by the Executors — Item I give unto my Son James Wicker all the Land I possess on the South side of said Creek to him and his Heirs for Ever — Item I give to Son Jonathan Wicker one feather Bead and furniture (viz) no more

Item I give unto my Daughter Lummadre Morris five shillings Cash (viz) no more — Item I give unto my Daughter Margret Morris five shillings Cash and no more

Item I give unto my Daughter Elizabeth Kelly five shillings Cash and no more — Item I give unto my Daughter Nancy Morris five shilling Cash and no more

Item I give unto my Daughter Ferriby Morris five shilling Cash (viz) no more — Item I give unto my Daughter Priscilla Wicker five Shillings Cash (viz) no more —

Item I give (viz) and bequeath to my beloved wife Mellicent Wicker one bed (viz) furniture — Item I give unto my beloved Wife the plantation where I now live (viz) during her life or Widowhood (viz) no more — Item I give to my son Benjamine Wicker one Mare by Name Polly one Cow two Sows one head of hogs and one Iron pot one gun one targ pot one puter dish one bead (viz) furniture (viz) no more

Item I give unto my Son James Wicker one horse Colt by the Name of Tulgram one small dish one Cow one Lamb one Cow and fifteen head of Hogs one bead (viz) furniture one pot three plates (viz) no more

Item I give unto my Son Lewis Wicker one Cow and Eight head of hogs one Cow (viz) and Lamb two pewter dishes one Pewter bason (viz) no more

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Item I give unto Edmond Wicker Sons of Matthew Wicker one Bull and four head of Hogs one Cow and Lamb (viz) no more

Item I give unto my Daughter Anne Wicker Eighteen pounds two pewter Basons two Earthen & one Calf one boy Name Sunday one Cow and Lamb and no more —

Item I give unto my Daughter Edward one Cow one Cow & Lamb one Mare Named Polly three pewter plates and one desh

I do hereby Constitute (viz) appoint my two friends Peter Morris and Jonathan Wicker Executors to this my last will & testament hereby revoking all other Wills or Willers by me made heretofore In Witness whereof I do hereby set my hand and affix my seal this Seventeenth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight Hundred & nine Signed Sealed and Acknowledged and Published in the presence of us

Benjamine Wicker — his Benjamin x Wicker Seal mark

Jon Campbell

Moore County Aug. Term 1809

The above Will was duly proven in open Court by the Oath of Benjamine Wicker and ordered to be recorded

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John M.Donalds Will

I John McDonald of the State of North Carolina and County of Moore do make this my last Will and Testament being now in perfect mind and Memory do Commit my Sole to Almighty God who gave it and body to the grave until the day of the Resurrection and after all my Funeral Expenses and all my Just Debts is paid I give and bequeath unto my faithfull and loving Wife Ruth one all my Household furniture and all my Farming utensils

I gave unto my Son Abraham or his heirs five Shillings — I give unto my Son Jasper his Heirs the Sum of five Shillings — I gave unto my Son Samuel or his Heirs the Sum of five Shillings

I gave unto my Son Emor Dior or his Heirs five Shillings —

I gave unto my Daughter Mary or her the Sum of five Shilling

I gave unto my Daughter Charlotte or her heirs five Shillings

I gave unto my Daughter Sally or her heirs five Shillings — I gave unto my Daughter Elizabeth or her five Shillings — And I do ordain all my Bills or Bills of Sale made before made under the Seal Elizabeth Burke of Gill or Bills of Sale made before made under the Seal Elizabeth my or her heirs and I give the power to my wife Katharine all my Land Negroes my Personal Estate one Negroe man Named Tony and one Negroe woman Named Hannah and one Negroe child Named Patsy the above Negroes to be set free at my wife Katharine Death. Signed Sealed and Delivered this 5th of June 1809 —

John his M.Donald Seal mark

Moore County Nov. 1809 The above was duly proven in open Court

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