In The "ame of God Amen. I Benjamin Braswell of the county of Mash and State of North Carolina being in a low state of health but blessed be dod of perfect sound mind andmemory calling to mind the mortality of the body and knowing that it is appointed for all men to die do this the 23 day of twenty third day of January in the year of our Jord One thousand eight hundred and twenty seven make jubish and declare this mylast will and testament in manner and form following to mit.

First Item; I lend to my beloved wife ClayBraswell during her matural life the following property to wit one tract of landlying on the south side of tar river containing one hundred and eighty acres be the same more or less all within the bounds it being a tract of land that I purchased of William Braswell adjoining the lands of Simon Williams. Alstons and there allso two horses of his own choice four cows and calves two feather beds and furniture all the hogs on the south dide of the river belong to the said tract of land, six head of sheepe of her choice a sufficient quantity of working tools to carry on his farming allso one years provision for his self and family and stock to be judged of by my executors all of my setting chairs two tables, one chest and his riding saddle and a sufficient quantity of kitchen furniture. For meaning to be judged of by my executors.

2. Item: I give and bequeath to mybeloved daughter Mary Bags the following property to wit five dollars inmoney to be paid her by my executors\_ to her andherheirs forever.

3 Itom: I give to my son Ones & B. Braswell five lollars to epaid him in money by my executors to him and his heirs forever.

4th Item: I give and bequeath to mybeloved daughter Milly Melten fix dollars to be paid her in money by my executors to her and her heirs forever.

5th Item: I give and bequeath to my beloved daughter Botsey Freeman five dellars to be paid her by my executes in money teher andher heirs forever.

6th Item: I give and bequeath to my beloved ion William Bracwell five dollars to be paid her likewise allso I lend tomysaid son William Bracwell a certain tract of parcel of land lying on the east side of Turkey Creek called the Remove tract containing three hundred and seventy six acres and to be the same more or less all with in the bounds the said william is to have the use of said and untill his son Horphicarrives to the age of twentyes then I give the said unto my said grand child Horphic Braswell to him and his heirs forever.

7th Item: I give and bequeathoute my beloved son Reuben Braswell the sum of

five dollars to be paid him in money by my executors tohim and his heirs forever.

M Item: I give and bequeath to mybeloved daughter Blizabeth hangy Stone the sum of five dollar to be paid her likewise to her and her heirs forever. oth Item: I give and bequeath to my beloved daugher Susan Linck Braswell and Daughter Rosaney and son Daugon Braswell the valuation of the home tract of land containing eight hundred and eightquix acres more or less my will is that the said tract of land be loaned or rented untill Dawson arrives of lawfull age then the said tract ofland he sold on credit of three years when sold Susan and Roaney Draws the valuation offive hundred acres and Dawson the balance of what the land is sold for the same way in the renting or leasing my will is that when the land is sold that such one takes his own bonds for the money arising from such sale. Item: I give and bequeath unto my beloved daughter Susan Linch Braswell one negro girl named Sindy one horse her bridle and saddle one good feather bed and furniture three cows and calves six head of sheep . Item: I give and bequeath unto my beloved dau hter Rocancy Braswell one negro boy named Sam one horse his bridle and saddle one good feather bed and furniture three cows and calves six head of sheep.

Item: I give and bequeath unto my beloved son Dawson Braswell two negroes named Andrew and poldo his horse bridle and saddle one feather bed and furniture three cows and calves six head of thee, my will and deisire is that if Susan Rocaney or Dawson should die not leaving a lawful begetten heir of their boddie living the property which I have willed to them to decend to the surviving enesof three.

Item: My will and desire is that all the property on parchment of every description whatever real or personal that I have not disposed of in this will Ilhave to be sold by my skecutors on a twelve months credit and the money arising from such sale I dispose of in the following manner viz:

to be equally divided among the whole of my children "lisabethThaney of one. excepted her part hust continue in the hands of Dawson Brasswell to be laid out forher support as she stands in nead.

Item: The property which I lent tomy beloved wife the term of herlife I dispose of in the following manner viz: the whole to be seld at her death and on twelve months credit and the money arising fromsuch sale to be equally divided among all of my children. Elizabeth Thaney Stones part reserved as above named. I do hereby appoint my worthy friends Gideen Pass and Isaac Bass executors to this myl st will and testament revoking all other wills heretofore by me made ratifying and confirming this to be my last will and testament signed, eaked and acknowledged in procede of us. Enterlined before assigned this the asy and date above written.

Thomas Bryant Simon Williams

Benjamin Braswell (Seal)

State d NorthCarolina, Mash county court Feb. Term 1827

The foregoing last will and testament of Benjamin Braswell and duly proven in open court by theoaths of Thomas Bryant and Simon Williams subscribing with as therete and on motion ordered to be recorded.

Attest H Blount, C.C.C.

and is recorded . H Blownt, C.C.C.

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In he Hame of God Amen. I Wilson Taylor of the County of Hash and State of North arcling do hereby make and constitute this my last will and testament. In the first place I lend to my beloved wife "lizaboth my two slaves "ack and "hunk and this youngest child of said Chunk during her natural life or widowhood afterwards to be equally and le sally divided among my surviving lawful heirs. I also give and bequeath to mys id wife her choice of one horse from among my stock of horses also three cors and calves, six head of shep, one featherbed and furniture, also the half of thekitchen furniture, also two sows and twelve pigs also theland and plantation where I now live during her natural life or widowhood, and \_fterwards said plantation I give and bequeath to my son Calvin, Queo I give and bequeath to my said son the three following mamed negroes Burwell, Orrell and Philis, Also a boy mare which has usually been called his, also one feather bed and furniture. Having already given tony conasa two negroes and a tract of land In addition I give and bequeath to him mynegro girl Judy. I dehereby give and bequeath tony daugher Felly my negro weman Deress andher sale oh ad named Jacob. I also give and bequeath to her a female servant byname Westy , one mare called Lazy, one feather bed and furniture. The residue of my property both real and personal I leave to be sold by my excutors after herrinafter named and out of the proceeds thereof, first to pay a 1 myjust debts and the balancethereof to be equally divided between my said wife and children, share and share alike. I dohereby con titute and appoint Puncan York of the County and State aforesaid y just and lawful executor of this my tast will and testament . In witness whereof I have hereunts set my handons seal af the cityof Raleigh this 21st day of January A D 1887s (1827)

Gigned, scaled anddeclared in presence of Jas M Wanderson ED. Barr G.Bobbitt. Wilson xTaylor (Seal)

mitten on death bed

-tate of North carolina, Nash county, court May term 1827

the foregoing will last and testament of Wilson Taylor deceased was aubscribing witnesses thereto and enmotion ordered to be recorded.

Attest H Blount, C.C.

Attest H Blount, .C.C.

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InThe Hame of God Amen. I Ramuel B tohelor of the County of Hash and State of NorthCarolina being of sound and perfect mind and memory, blessed be God, do this nineteenth dayof January inthe year of our Lord eight hundred and eighteen do make and publish this mylast will and testament immanner following that is to say:

Item: I give to my beloved son Wright Stephen Batchelor all my lands that I now am possessed with to him and his leits forever after my death;

Item My will and desire is that all the residue of my estate within doors and out doors to be sold and equally divided between James Batchelor, JohnBatchelor, William Batchelor, William Batchelor, William Batchelor, and my daughter Edith Whitfield and Blimbeth Glover, to them and their heirs forever after my death.

Itom. I do hereby and appoint my trusty some James Batchelor and Wright Stephen Batchelor as executors to this my last will and testament and revoking allother wills heretofore made signed and esaled in the

presents thereof Witness. Abijah Pridgen Epsiah Melton

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his Samuelx Batchelor (Seal) mark.

Prevry Ratche or state of north Carolina, Nash County court August Term 1827

The foregoing within last will and to tament of Samuel Batchelor deceased was duly proven in open court by the eath of Abijah Pridgen and Josiah Melton two of the subscribing witnesses thereto and on notion ordered to be recorded. Attest H Blount, C.C.C.

and is recorded Attest H Blount, C.C.C.

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In he Mame of God Amen. I John Harrison of the County of Mash and State of North Carolina, the weak inbody yet of sound mind and memory domake adiordain this to be my last will and testament inmanner and form fellowing Imprimis: After my just debts are paid I lend unto my wife-nn Harrison all the p roperty I am possessed of both personal and real during hernatural life and after her decease my will and desire is that all the negroes which is not already given away may be divided into ten shares and my son Benjamin D. Harrisone children to have one share and my daughter Martha Masons child ren tohave one share and my daughter Mildred Blunt Margaret Harrison and Temperance Drake tohave one share e ch to have one share each the other two shares Thave purchased of Emelus harrison and John Harrison which said two shares together with my land and all the rest and residue of my estate I leave to be equally divided among all my children provided they agree to stand to the division whichmy wife and myself have allalready made but if any of themegatees should be disposed and will not stand the division we have already made then and in that case my will and desire is that such of the legatees as is willing to abide by the division maken