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arrive to the age of twenty one and leave no children then to return back to my ^{estate} hereafter mentioned and all the rest of my estate of what kind soever, I leave to be equally divided between my children Elizabeth Vick, Joseph, John, William, Peter Arrington, ^{Wm} Mary Hunter, Henry Arrington, Richard and Arthur Arrington to them their heirs and assigns forever and I do hereby nominate and appoint my three sons Joseph, John and William Arrington whole and sole executors of this my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this second day of December in the year of our lord 1804. Codicil my will is that my land should be divided with out dispute. I therefore leave it in the power of my three sons Joseph, John, and William to allot it off in shares among my before mentioned children or cause the same to be sold in any manner that they shall think proper and equally divide the lands or profit among the before mentioned children. The words (child or children) interlined before assigned.

Signed, sealed and acknowledged
in presents of us
D.B. Potter
John Borland.

her
Mary x Arrington (Seal)
mark.

Nash County

February Term 1805

The foregoing will was duly proven in open court by the oath of Daniel B. Potter and John Borland two subscribing witnesses thereto and on motion ordered to be recorded. W

Attest. Wm Hall, C.C.

and is registered in obedience to the above order.

Attest, Wm Hall, C.C.

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In The Name of God Amen I Benj. Bunn Sen. of Nash County and ~~State of North Carolina~~ being in sound mind and memory thanks be to God for the same do make and ordain this my last will and testament in the manner and form following.

Item: I give to my son Joel Bunn all the land which I now possess together with my still and all my cider Casks and brandy barrell, the land contains by estimation nine hundred and eighty nine acres be the same more or less together with all appurtenances thereunto belonging; three first choice feather beds and furniture, all the kitchen furniture, also an equal part of my negroes: principally Hardy, Flora, Sylva and Samson at their value to be valued by my executors.

Item: I give to my son Burwell Bunn, an equal part of my negroes, principally Sol, at his value to be valued by my executors.

Item: I give to my son Willie Bunn an equal part of my negroes.

Item: I give to my daughter Sarah Battle's heirs an equal part of my negroes.

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Item:- I give to my daughter Margaret Lamons an equal part of my negroes. All of which to them and their heirs forever.

All the remainder of my estate which is not above mentioned, I desire it should be equally divided between all my children to wit: Sarah Battle's heirs, Joel Bunn, Burwell Bunn, Willie Bunn and Margaret Lamon. I do ordain and appoint my sons Joel Bunn, Burwell Bunn and Willie Bunn my sole executors to this my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 5th day of September 1801.

Signed, sealed, and acknowledged
in the presence of us

Benj Bunn Sen. (Seal)

J.G. Lamon
Roger Reese
Orrendatus Lamon.

Nash County

February Court, 1805

The foregoing will was duly proven in open court by the oath of J.G. Lamon and Roger Reese two subscribing witnesses thereto and on motion ordered to be recorded.

Attest: Wm Hall, C.C.

and is registered in obedience to the above order.

Attest, Wm Hall, C.C.

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In The Name of God, Amen. I Sarah Long Bottoms of the County of Nash and State of North Carolina being weak in body but of perfect mind sound sense and memory but calling to mind the mortality of the body knowing that it is appointed once for all men to die I do hereby make this my last will and testament in form and manner following to wit I give my soul to almighty god that gave it and my body to be buried at the discretion of my executors hereafter mentioned. First: I desire that all my just debts be first paid. and all my worldly goods to be disposed of in form and manner follows:

Item: I give and bequeath to my dearly and well beloved sister Fortson Whiddon one strip cotton habbit one petticoat one striped rapper.

Item: I give and bequeath to my dear and well beloved sister Olive Pitman one flax wheel, five dollars in money.

Item: I give and bequeath to my dear and well beloved brother John Pitman one fured hat and all the remainder part of my estate and all my wearing cloths to be sold and equally divided between my two brothers William Lindsey and John Pitman also I do appoint my trusty friend William Lindsey executor to this my last will and testament.

Signed, and acknowledged in presented of January 19, 1805

Jesse Joiner
Lucy L. Bottoms
mark.

Sarah Long Bottoms (Seal)
mark.

Nash County

February Term, 1805

The foregoing will was duly proven in open court by the oath of the Jesse Joiner a subscribing witness thereto and on motion ordered to be