daughter Omey Louis two cows and calfs and my best bed and furniture to her and her heirs forever and a place to live on my land as long as she lives single.

Item. All the residue of my property and goods and chattles of all kinds I lend and bequeath to my lowing wife Preciler Tann as long as she lives and then to be sold at publick sale and the money to be equally divided between all my children and I do constitute and aply my son Bengeman Tan and John Rice Executors to this my last will and testament in witness whereof I do hereunto set my hand and seal this 11th September, 1806.

Signed and acknowledged by me Benjamen Tan as my last Will and testament

in presence of J. Taylor Edw. York.

his Benjamin x Tann (Seal)

Nash County .

November Court 1806.

The foregoing will was duly proven in open Court by the oath of Edw. York a subscribing witness thereto and on motion ordered to be recorded.

Attest, Wm. Hall C. C.

and is registered in obedience to the above order.

163 Attest, Wm. Hall, C. C.

In the Name of God Amen. I Archd. Hunter of Nash County and State of North Carolina being of sound and perfect mind and memory blessed be God, this twenty first day of Decr. 1805 make and publish this my last will and testament in manner following that is to say, I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Mary Hunter all my estate both real and personal to her and her heirs forever after paying all my jest debts and I hearby make my worthy friend John Arrington and my beloved wife Mary Hunter executors to this my last will and testament in witness whereof I have hearunto set my hand and seal this 21 st day of Decr. 1805.

Archd. Huntar (Seal)

Nash County .

February Court, 1807.

The foregoing will was duly proven in open court by the oath of Saml. Wester, Redmun Bunn and Alexn. Hines, all witnesses thereto and on motion ordered to be recorded.

Attest, Wm. Hall, C. C.

and is registered in obedience to the above order.

164 Attest Wm. Hall, C. C.

In the Name of God Amen. I Stephen Wells Sen. of the County of Nash and State of North Carolina, being weak of bodily strength, but of sound mind and memory (Blessed be God) do this eighteenth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight Hundred and seven make and publish this my last will and testament in manner following that is to say. First, I lend to my beloved wife Elizabeth Wells my plantation whereon I now live her life time, also I lend her one negro woman named Silve, also one negro girl named Lett, also one still to her, her life time; after her deceast I give and bequeath to my son Jeremiah Wells my plantation whereon I now live being one hundred and fifty acres of land more or less, also I give to him the aforesaid negro woman Silve and

negro girl Lett, and each of their increase that they shall have from this present day and date, also my still to him and his heirs forever.

Item. I give and bequeath to my son Stephen Wells Junr. one hundred acres of land adjoining Vick, Pridgen and Joshua Wells lines it lying in the afs. County, also one negro girl named Leecy and her increase, also one horse his choice of three young horses, also one feather bed and furniture, to him and his heirs forever.

Item, I give and bequeath to my son John Wells one negro boy named Harry to him and his heirs forever.

Item. I give and bequeath to my daughter Martha Daughtridge one young horse after my son Stephen Wells Jun. takes his choice, to her and her heirs forever. Item. I give and bequeath to my daughter Milley May one feather bed and furniture to her and her heirs forever.

Item. All my estate that I have not heretofore lent to my wife Elizabeth Wel's nor given way to my children, I lend to my wife Elizabeth Wells her life time, and after her decease it is my will and desire that their be an equal division among four of my children: John Wells, Stephen Wells, Jeremiah Wells and Martha Daughtridge, to each of them and each of their heirs forever.

Item. I hereby make and ordain my two sons John Wells and Jeremial Wells, executors to this my last will and testament. Witness my hard and seal the his day and year above written.

Stephen x Wells (Seal)

Signed, sealed and delivered in the

presence of us; John Vick, Joseph Cockrell,

Delilah (her x mark) Bope.

Nash County .

May court 1807

The foregoing will was duly proven in open court by the oath of Jno. Vick and Jos. Cockrell 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.

In the Name of God Amen. I Mary Barnes of the County of Nash and parish of St. Maris being of perfect mind and memory blessed to God for it, I do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following. First I recommend my soul into the hands of God that hoping though the meritorious death and passions of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ to receive free pardon and forgivness of all my sins and my body I commit the earth to be decently buried at the descretion of my executor hereafter named and for what estate it hath pleased God to bless me with I give as follows. I promise I g to my daughter Elizabeth Barnes five barrels of corn and two good fat hogs to her her heirs and assigns forever. I promis I give to my daughter Molly Barnes five barrels of corn and to good fat hogs to her, her heirs and assigns forever.

I promis I give to my daughter Nancy Barnes five borrels of corn and two good fat hogs and one cow to her heirs and assigns forever.