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Attest My Blount, C.C.C.

and is recorded in obedience thereto.

My Blount, C.C.C.

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In The Name of God Amen. I William Baker Sen. of the County of Nash and State of North Carolina being weak in body but of perfect sound mind and hence memory and understanding do 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. Item: My will and desire is that all my just debts and funeral charges be first paid then all my worldly goods to be disposed of in manner following.

Item: I give and bequeath to my dear and well beloved son William Baker Jun. one silver dollar to him and his heirs forever.

Item: I give and bequeath to my dear and well beloved son Allen Baker one silver dollar to him and his heirs forever.

Item: I give and bequeath to dear and well beloved son Archibald Baker one silver dollar to him and his heirs forever.

Item: I give and bequeath to my dear and well beloved son Elijah Baker one silver dollar to him and his heirs forever.

Item: I give and bequeath to my dear and well beloved daughter Nancy Baker one feather bed and furniture the bed that is now called hers to her and her heirs forever.

Item: I give and bequeath to my dear and well beloved daughter Elizabeth Langley one room to her and her heirs forever.

Item: I give and bequeath to my dear and well beloved daughter Mary Wells one silver dollar to her and her heirs forever.

Item: I give and bequeath to my dear and well beloved granddaughter Sally Baker one feather bed to her and her heirs forever.

Item: I give and bequeath to my dear and well beloved son John Baker two hundred and eighty seven acres of land it being the land whereon I now live and and the land that I purchased of Elijah Ellis and all my stocks of all kinds that I do possess and all my household and kitchen furniture of all kinds one French musket and all and every other article that I possess and I do also constitute and appoint my trusty friend John Baker and Drewry Bridgen executors this my last will and testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the twenty first day of January, 1820.

Signed, sealed in the presents of
Joiner Langley
Foster Gandy
Sherrod Williams

Wm Baker (Seal)

State of North Carolina, Nash County, Court, February Session 1824.

The foregoing last will and testament of William Baker Sen. was duly

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proven in open court by the oaths of Foster Gandy and Sherrod Williams subscribing witnesses thereto and on motion ordered to be recorded.
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In The Name of God Amen. I Andrew Melton of Nash County and State of North Carolina being weak of body but of perfect mind and memory blessed be God do this eight day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty four do make and publish this my last will and testament in manner following that is to say.

First: I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Christian Melton four hundred twelve and half acres of land be the same more or less also one horse and all the cattle all the hogs and all the sheep that I am possess of and also one bedstead and furniture and one loom and gear also all my household and kitchen furniture after paying all my just debts to her her life time. To do with as she thinks proper also all my corn and fodder and bacon that I die possess of and I hereby make and ordain my worthy friend William Cooper executor of this my last will and testament in witness whereof I the said Andrew Melton to this my last will and testament set my hand and seal the day and year above written signed, sealed in the presents of us

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Andrew x Melton (Seal)
mark.
Witness
Wm Bowers
his
Joel x Mathews
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state of North Carolina, Nash county August Term 1824.
The within paper writing purporting to be and contain the last will and testament of Andrew Melton deceased was exhibited in open court by William Cooper the executor therein named and duly proven as such by the oaths of William Bowers and Joel Mathews subscribing witnesses thereto and on motion ordered to be recorded.

Attest My Blount, C.C.C.

and is recorded. My Blount, C.C.C.

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I, Thomas M. Mann of the State of N. Carolina and county of Nash being about to take a sea voyage and to reside in foreign parts for an uncertain term do publish and declare that this is the act of my last will in relation to the matters herein contained.

My lands were inherited from my fathers of the Mann family, and by law, as well as in strict justice, would belong at my death without issue to my only brother of that family James M. Mann. My negroes have been derived wholly from that family also; and the same reason seems to require that property of greater value should be regulated by the same rules as govern the descent of land. Moreover my negroes have been raised and are kept together as one family, and I should be sorry to see them scattered;

their partition would render them measurably useless to each sharer and would greatly diminish the value of the land to James. For these reasons, I give to my only brother James M. Mann all my estate of every description, real and personal, to him his heirs and assigns forever. But if the said James should die without leaving issue him surviving, or if the said issue should fail during the lives of Samuel, Elizabeth and Archibald Arrington or if either of them, then I give my real estate of every description to my half brother Samuel L. Arrington, to him, his heirs and assigns. I regret that I cannot embrace my negroes in this gift to Samuel such a limitation would render them onerous to the first taker.

And if the said Samuel should die without leaving issue him surviving, then I give the said real estate to my half brother Archibald Arrington. In the event of the said Archibald's death without issue him surviving, I give my said real estate to my half sister Elizabeth A. M. Arrington, to her, her heirs and assigns forever.

I do hereby constitute my brother James M. Mann the executor of this will; the whole of which is written with my own hand, and subscribed with my name, on the 18th day of June A.D. 1824.

State of North Carolina
Nash County court of Pleas and quarter session
1824.

The foregoing was exhibited in open court for probate by James M. Mann the executor therein named and duly proven to be the last will and testament of Thomas N. Mann deceased by the oaths of James Hilliard, Weldon H. Edwards and William Plummer who swore that they severally believed the whole thereto to be in the proper hand writing of the testator as well also as the signature of the said Thomas and I further by the oath of James Hilliard who disposed that the said Paper writing was deposited in his hands by the said Thomas N. Mann for safe keeping whereupon it was ordered to be recorded. Attest H. Blount, C.C.C. and is recorded in obedience thereto

Attest H. Blount, C.C.C.

This my last will and testament in the name of God Amen. I John Green of Nash County and State of North Carolina being weak in body but of sound mind and disposing memory ^{thanks be to God for the same} do make this my last will and testament in manner and form following viz:

First: I give and bequeath unto my dearly beloved wife Sally Green Two feather beds and furniture, one painted chest and table, during her life and at her death, I give and bequeath the said property to my daughter Ann Green, to her and her heirs and assigns forever. Then after paying all my must debts of every kind, my will and desire is that my said wife shall have the use of my plantation with my negro man Isaac, and every thing else of stock, crop, plantation tools household and kitchen furniture, that thereunto belongs after paying said debts during her natural life, if it can be kept together, without wasting of said property. ^{As} if this cannot be done, then my will and desire is that all my property of every kind shall be sold and equally divided between my wife Sally Green and six children namely, Arthur Green, Thomas Green, Hardy Green, Joseph Green, Tabitha Powell and Ann Green, to them their heirs and assigns forever.

My further will and desire is that my daughter Tabitha Powell shall remain in possession of the houses and field where she now lives with the privilege of cutting fire wood off of my other land during said time. After revoking aliother wills of every kind whatsoever, I hereby constitute and appoint my friend Carter Arrington my executor to this my last will and testament this 29th day of January, 1823.

Signed, and acknowledged in presents of
Jos Arrington, Jr.
John Dozier, Jr.
State of North Carolina, Nash County, court of P&Q Session Aug. Term 1824.

The foregoing paper writing purporting to be and contain the last will and testament of John Green deceased was exhibited in open court by Carter Arrington the executor therein named and duly proven as such by the oaths of Joseph Arrington Jr. and John Dozier Jr. subscribing witnesses thereto and on motion ordered to be recorded. Attest H. Blount, C.C.C. and is recorded H. Blount, C.C.C.

In The Name of God Amen. I Jesse Bass of Nash County and State of North Carolina, being sick and weak of boddie but of perfect mind and memory blessed be God knowing that it is once appointed for all men to dy do make and establish this to be my last will and testament. First: I gave my soul to God the author of the same and my body to be laid in the dust at the discretion of my friends as touching my worldly affairs as followeth that is to say:

Item: I lend to my beloved wife Frances during her natural life all the lands with in the following bounds beginning at the mouth of the little ^{thence up the same to the mouth}