In the name of God amen I William Ashford of Orange County & Province of North Carolina being weak of Body but of sound Memory blessed be god, Do this Day of November 16th in the Year of our Lord 1766 Make this my last will & Testament in manner following that is to say first I recommend my body to the Earth to be buried in Christian Way & my Soul to God who gave it. I likewise do allow all my Just & Lawful Debts to be paid first & I give & Bequeath to my beloved Wife Mary Ashford all my Lands Goods & Chattels, to hold during her Natural Life, the making no waste nor Distribution, thereof & after her Decease, I give & Devise unto my Grandson William Ashford Dewey, all my Land I live on, on the Other side of the Creek on the South side of the River, and my Still I give unto my Grandson Thomas Stinky Mclary

Also I Devise unto my Grandson William Ashford Dewey my Young Gray Horse. Also I Devise unto my Grandson William McBride five Shillings Specie & Also to my son in law Peter Dewey five Shillings Specie & Also to my son in law Archibald McLeary five Shillings Specie & Also as for what money is now in the house, I give & Bequeath to my beloved Wife to keep for her own use. Also I devise to my Grandson William McBride one Book title the Course of Time and my Gun. & as for the rest of my books & Pictures that I devise, between my two Sons in law Peter Dewey & Archibald McLeary, at the Direction of my wife at her Decease. & Also as for the rest of the Movable Estate I allow her at her Decease, to Dispose of it at the Discretion of the Executors. & I make & Ordain my Wife & Archibald McLeary & George Stanley sole Executors of this my last will & Testament and hereby for the intent & purpose in this my Will contained, do take upon & on the same Behalf according to my true intent & Meaning. In Witness Whereof I the said William Ashford have to this my last Will & Testament have set my hand & Seal this Day & Year

above Written. Signed Sealed & Delivered by the said William Ashford & Declared for his last Will & Testament, in the presence of us, who were at the Signing & Sealing thereof — Witness my hand —

William Ashford (Seal)

Witness present
David Fulton
Andrew Park
Henry Condren

At an Inferior Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions begun & continued & held for the County of Orange at the Court house on Hillsborough on the Second Tuesday in February in the Year of our Lord 1767, Present his Majesty's Justices, the Executors of the aforesaid Will were duly proved by the Oaths of Andrew Park & Henry Condren & ordered to be recorded —

Test

Thomas Nash C. C.

In the name of God amen I William Cox of Orange County in the Province of North Carolina being weak in Body but in perfect Sense, Praises be to God, Do make this my last will & Testament

Imprimis I give to my son William Cox that whole tract of Land on the East side of Deep River, whereon he now lives to him & his heirs forever

Item I give to my son William Cox that whole tract of Land called the Mill on the west side of Deep River & Land, to his Heirs forever

Item I give to my son John Cox, part of the tract of Land I live on, & Beginning for the Division, between him & my son Thomas, at a Spanish oak Bottom corner, on the River bank below my fence marked with three Notches on the West side of the Road from Thomas Dunning West till it comes to Mr Allens fencing

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