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In the name of God amen. The 28th of September
in the year of our Lord, one thousand seven hundred & eighty five.
I William E. Smith of the County of Orange in the State of
North Carolina farmer, being sick and very weak in body,
but of perfect mind & memory, thanks be to God for it, and
feeling to mind the mortality of my body & knowing that it
is appointed for all men to die, do make & ordain this my last
Will and Testament, That is to say, principally, and first of all,
I give and recommend my Soul to God that gave it, and for my
Body, I commend to the Earth, to be buried in a Christian and
decent manner at the direction of my Executors, nothing
doubting but at the general resurrection it shall revive
the same again; by the mighty power of God, and as touching
such worldly Estate, wherewith it hath pleased God to bless
me in this life, I give, deliver & dispose of the same in
manner and form following, that is to say, in the first place
I give and bequeath to Margaret my beloved Wife my whole
Estate her lifetime; at her Death, also I give my son
William the place he now lives on, or paying to the Estate
70 pound and finding my Daughter Eliza one Horse &
Saddle, out of what he oweth me. the remaining part
to be equally divided among my Children; only William
to have twenty pounds more than any of the rest; this
and no other to be my last Will and Testament, in Witness
whereunto I have set my hand and Seal this 28 day of
Septem.

Witness, sealed, published, pronounced

and so by these

David Eppell

Thos Eppell

and others.

William E. Smith
mark

Orange County, Nov. Term 1785

The Execution of the within last Will and Testament was duly

proved in open Court by the oath of Richard Eppell one of the Justices
being witnesses thereto & adjured to be recorded

Teste J. Benton C. C.

State of North Carolina

This Indenture made the third day of March, in the year
of our Lord, one thousand seven hundred and eighty five,
between William McCauley Chairman of the County Court of the
County of Orange, and State aforesaid, in behalf of the Justices
of said Court and their Successors, of the one part and Matthew
McCauley of the other part, Witnesseth that the said William
McCauley, in pursuance of an order of the said County Court,
made the third day of March, and according to the directions of
the act of Assembly in that case made & provided, doth put
into, and bind unto the said Matthew McCauley, Thomas
Ree now of the age of ten years, with the said Matthew McCauley
to live after the manner of an Apprentice & Servant, until the
apprentice shall attain to the age of twenty one years; during
all which time the said apprentice his Master shall faith-
fully serve, his lawful commands ever when gladly obey:
he shall not at any time absent himself from his said
Masters Service without leave, but in all things as a good
and faithful Servant ^{shall} behave towards his said Master.
and the said Matthew McCauley, doth covenant, promise
and agree, to and with the said William McCauley, that
he will teach and instruct, or cause to be taught & instructed
the said Thomas Ree, to learn the art of a Blacksmith; and
that he will constantly find & provide for the said appren-
tice during the term aforesaid, sufficient diet, washing, lodging
and apparel, fitting for an Apprentice, and also all other
things necessary, both in sickness and in health.

In Witness whereof the parties to these presents have
interchangeably set their hands and seals at the