North Carolina
Orange County

Inquisition indented taken at the back part of the plantation of Alexander Robbs in the County aforesaid the 31st Day of December 1788 before John Sloss one of the Justices aforesaid & Coroner upon the view of the body of Neil McConnel late of said County then there lying Dead upon the Oath of William Stateup Henry white Thos Mereign James Osburn John Baker Samuel Marley Arthur Loving William Chance Alexander Robbs John Henry James Dukey William Dukey good and Lawful men of said County who being charged and sworn to inquire how and in what manner the said Neil McConnel by his Death came upon their Oaths say that the said Neil McConnel was much in Liquor and fell of his Horse and we do suppose broke his Neck or put it out of Joint which rendered him Uncapable of helping himself In Testimony whereof the said Justice as well as the Jurors aforesaid to this Inquisition have severally put their Seals the Day year and place first above written

Samuel Marley (Seal)
Arthur Loving (Seal)
William Chance (Seal)
Alexander Robbs (Seal)
John Henry (Seal)
James Dukey (Seal)
William Dukey (Seal)

John Sloss JP (Seal)
William Stateup (Seal)
Henry White (Seal)
Thomas Mereign (Seal)
James Osburn (Seal)
John Baker (Seal)

The Examination of James Hughey & Wm Stateup Jun.r taken upon Oath before me on the day and year place within mentioned in view of the body of Neil McConnel then and there Lying Dead, the said James Hughey makes Oath that on the 30th day of December 1788 in the Evening traveling along a small path by back side of Alex.r Robbs plantation there he found the said Neil McConnel lying Dead. Further says not. Wm Stateup also maketh Oath that on the 30th Instant at the House of his father he saw the s.d Neil McConnel much in Liquor and that he helped him out of the Barns and there the s.d Neil fell and he helped him up & then he Rode off. & further says not,

Sworn before me 31st Instant —

John Sloss JP