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I Jope Wilson of Randolph County and State of North Carolina, being weak in body but of a sound mind and memory thank the Lord for the same and calling to mind that it is appointed for all men once to die do make this my last will and testament, this 30 of the 4th month 1814 in the manner following—

First—It is my will that all my just debts and funeral charges be paid out of my estate I give unto my beloved wife Elizabeth all my personal property both in doors and out except the wagon horse chain here and long chain with a handsome maintenance of the plantation I now live in with my four daughters till they shall come of age and while she remains my widow to have and to hold her in with fire wood and water.—

My lane I give to my son Isaac with the waggon kind cow and long chain under the restrictions of his paying Master twenty thirty five Dollars I give to my four Daughters five shillings each, to wit: Maria, Hannah, Mary and Elizabeth, it is my will that my Executors endeavour with the help of my wisdom to divide as much of my Estate as will put my four young Daughters to eat, Hanna, Lydia, Rachael and Parry all upon an equal footing with my older Daughters when they shall come of age. And if after the end of my life mentioned there be any of my movable estate remaining its my will it should be equally divided between all my above named Daughters. I appoint Isaac Wilson and John Brown my executors to this my last will and testament acknowledged in the presence of Jope Wilson.

Frances Reynolds  
Edward Chambers  
William Chambers

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The execution of the within last will and testament of Jope Wilson was duly proven in open court by Edward Chambers & William Chambers and ordered to be registered.

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In the Name of God amen. I John Brower of the County of Randolph and State of North Carolina being of sound and perfect mind and memory this 26th day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fourteen making and publishing this my last will and testament in manner following that is to say—first—I give and bequeath unto my wife Catharine Brower one third of my and including my dwelling and all other out houses to have and keep during her widowhood in my name also my stock of stuff.—Secondly—I give unto my Daughter Sarah one negro girl named Hannah, one horse saddle and bridle.—Thirdly—I give unto my son Daniel my negro Boy Lewis, one horse saddle and bridle.—Fourthly—I give to my Daughter Elizabeth a negro girl named Sally a horse bridle and saddle.—Lastly—I give to my children Daniel, Sarah and Elizabeth the residue of my land to be equally divided amongst them. And I also give and bequeath to Lucy Dally one hundred dollars and a bed and furniture—