

3 Donald McKay

In the name of God
amen,

I Donald McKay
of Bladen County North Carolina being through
the abundant mercy & goodness of God, though
weak in body yet of a sound and perfect
understanding & memory, do constitute this my
last Will & Testament and desire it to be received
by all as such, Infirmities, I humbly bequeath
my soul to God my maker beseeching him
most gracious acceptance of it, As to my
worldly estate I will and positively order
that all my lawful debts be paid, I give
to my wife for term of life all and whole
the land and tenements whereon we now live
with all the furniture & utensils that lies upon
it and likewise all the goods & chattels and
Horses &c belonging to me during the term of her
life and after her death the whole of our estate
as above named to be divided as follows
between my four daughters namely Jean
Nancy Catharine & Barbara viz. when the
eldest of the eldest three gets twenty shillings
the next to her in age to have thirty, and
the third in proportion and the youngest
of all the four, namely Barbara, to have
twice as much as the youngest of the other
three, they paying to each of their sisters namely
Helen Mary Betty & Susset the sum of two
shillings currency and therefore I do constitute
my friends and dear kind relations John
McKay, & Donald Love Executors of this my
last will & Testament, and trustees for my
wife & children In witness whereof I have
hereunto set my hand & seal 12th of October
and in the year of our Lord 1785.

Sealed published & declared by the above named
Donald McKay for and as his last will & testament
In the presence of us,

Entertained before signed

Hester McMill
Donald McKinnon
Peter McKinnon

Donald J McKay

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Roberson County } This Will was proved in open
Court June 1787 } Court by Daniel Wilkinson and
admitted to record

J. Barnes C. C.

Donald McSwain

Bladen County 29th August 1786

I Donald McSwain planter of the above
County in the name of God do commit my body to the dust
and my soul to the God that gave it, it is therefore my
last will and Testament that my effects and substance
shall be as follows viz. that I do give with a year old
shall be given to my daughter Kitty McSwain as also half
my plantation with my horse and mare and half my
Cattle besides the above Corn & year old to my daughter
and dear wife Peggy McSwain during her life time as also
the other half of my plantation and of my Cattle
I give my two lawful sons Malcom & James McSwain and
the aforesaid Malcom McSwain to be the only disposers of
what belongs to his Brother James when they both live, and
if Malcom lives the longest to possess all the above I
do hereby Certify that it is my last will in my sound
mind I through sickness in body do make my hand & seal
this twenty ninth day of August one thousand seven
hundred and eighty six

Donald McSwain

Donald McSwain
mark

Jos Lewis Munroe

Atk Half the fifteen and the sixteen lines is taken out

Roberson County } This will was proved in open Court by the
August Court 1787 } oath of Lewis Munroe is admitted to record

J. Barnes C. C.

Newit Pitman

In the name of God I Newit Pitman the
1st day of February 1787

I Newit Pitman of the North Carolina and County of Roberson
planter being very sick and weak in body but of perfect mind and
thanks be given unto God. Therefore Calling unto mind the
Mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for
man once to die do make and ordain this my last will

3 Donald McKay

In the name of God
amen,

I Donald McKay
of Bladen County North Carolina being through
the abundant mercy & goodness of God, though
weak in body yet of a sound and perfect
understanding & memory, do constitute this my
last Will & Testament and desire it to be read
by all as such, Infirmities, I humbly bequeath
my soul to God my maker beseeching his
most gracious acceptance of it, As to my
worldly estate I will and positively order
that all my lawful debts be paid, I give
to my wife for term of life all and whole
the land and tenements whereon we now live
with all the furniture & utensils that lie upon
it and likewise all the goods & chattels and
Horses &c belonging to me during the term of her
life and after her death the whole of our estate
as above named to be divided as follows
between my four daughters namely Jean
Marney Catherine & Barbara viz, when the
eldest of the eldest three gets twenty shillings
the next to her in age to have thirty, and
the third in proportion and the youngest
of all the four, namely Barbara, to have
twice as much as the youngest of the other
three, they paying to each of their sisters namely
Helen Mary Betty & Loretta the sum of two
shillings currency and therefore I do constitute
my friends and dear kind relations John
McKay, & Donald Love Executors of this my
last will & Testament, and Trustees for my
wife & children In witness whereof I have
hereunto set my hand & seal 12th of October
and in the year of our Lord 1785.

Sealed published & declared by the above named
Donald McKay for and as his last will & Testament
In the presence of us,

Entered before signed

Hector McGill
Donald McKinnan
Peter McKinnan

Donald J McKay

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Court June 1787 } Court by Daniel Wilkinson and
admitted to record

J. Barnes C. C.

Donald McSwain

Bladen County 29th August 1788

I Donald McSwain planter of the above
County in the name of God do commit my body to the dust
and my soul to the God that gave it, it is therefore my
last will and Testament that my effects and substance
shall be as follows viz. that one Corn with a year-old
shall be given to my daughter Kitty McSwain as also half
my Plantation with my horse and mare and half my
Cattle besides the above Corn & year-old to my Son-in-law
and dear wife Peggy McSwain during her life time as also
the other half of my Plantation and of my Cattle
I wish my two Son-in-laws Malcom & James McSwain and
the aforesaid Malcom McSwain to be the only disposers of
what belongs to his Brother James when they both live, and
if Malcom lives the longest to possess all the above I
do hereby Certify that it is my last will in my sound
mind I through sickness in body has written my hand & seal
this twenty ninth day of August one thousand seven
hundred and eighty six

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Hector Munroe

Jos Lewis Munroe

Atk Half the fifteen and the sixteen lines is taken out

Donald McSwain
mark

Robeson County } This will was proved in open Court by the
August Court 1787 } oath of Lewis Munroe & admitted to record

J. Barnes C. C.

Newit Pitman

In the name of God it men the
1st day of February 1787

I Newit Pitman of the North Carolina and County of Robeson
planter being very sick and weak in body but of perfect mind and
thanks be given unto God. Therefore calling unto mind the
Mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for
man once to die. do make and ordain this my last will

I and Testament that is to say principally and first of all I give and recommend my soul into the hands of almighty God that give it and my body ~~I recommend~~ I recommend to the earth to be buried in a decent Christian burial at the discretion of my Executors nothing doubting but at the general Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God and as touching such worldly Estate wherewith it has pleased God to bless me in this life I give devise and dispose of the same in the following manner -

First I give and bequeath to Harvey Pitman my well beloved son all the land contained in two first surveys belonging to me on the East side of Horse Swamp with my plantation thereon to him and his heirs or assigns but my wife to take seventy five Acres of D. Land where it may best suit her as but to her during her natural life and after that to remain the property of D. Sep. Charles Pitman and one feather Bed and furniture and the Cattle that is now called his with their increase. Also I give and dispose of the remaining parts of the two forementioned Tracts of Land to my well beloved son Sam. Pitman that lieth on the West side of Horse Swamp with one feather Bed and furniture and one mare now called his mare and the Cattle that is now called his with their increase to him and to his heirs and assigns.

Also I give to my well beloved daughter Ann one Bible and two Cows and Lambs. Also I give to my well beloved daughter Charity Pitman two hundred Acres of Land lying at a small distance from my other land and beginning near the big creek Bar at the head of Horn Camp and one Horse Colt and the Cattle that is called her Cattle with their increase, and one feather Bed and furniture.

Also I give to Lamb Thompson one feather Bed and furniture to his own use, and the rest of my Estate to be disposed of to my children as my wife may best think fit. And do likewise constitute make and ordain Abraham Pitman my soul Executor of this my last will and Testament and I do hereby utterly disallow revoke and disannull all and every other former Testament Will Legacies & bequests and Executors by me in any way before named willed and bequeathed, Ratifying & Confirming this and no other to be my last will & Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day & year above written. Signed sealed pronounced & declared by the said Nerit Pitman as his last will and Testament in the presence the subscribers

James Pitman 3
Lamb Thompson 3
mark

Nerit Pitman Seal

Reberson County, This will was proved in open Court by the
Nov Term 1787 Attest of James Thompson and James
Stoneman & admitted to record J. Barnes C.C.

Hugh McCranie

In the name of God and
the second day of
November one thousand

seven hundred and eighty seven I Hugh McCranie
of the County of Roberson & State of North Carolina
planter being weak in body but of perfect mind
& memory thanks be given to God therefore calling
into mind the mortality of my body and
knowing that it is appointed for all men once
to die, do make and ordain this my last Will
& Testament viz. Principally I first of all
I give and recommend my soul, into the
hands of God that gave it, and my body
I recommend to the earth, to be buried in
decent Christian burial at the discretion of
my Executors nothing doubting but at the General resur-
-rection I shall receive 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 devise and
dispose of the same in the following manner and form
1st And to my Daughter Ann Buie I give one negro wench
named Jey during her life time and after her death her eldest
son Nathl Buie is to have her; and her increase to be divided
among her children and I give my Daughter Ann Buie
likewise one negro Boy named young Jony 2^{ly} and to my 2th
my Daughter Effie McLean I give one negro wench named Jean
3^{ly} And to my grand son Murdock McCranie I give two
negroes named old Joney and Greenock and three hundred
acres of Land lying in Cumberland County in the fork of
Hugh McCranies Creek 4^{thly} and to my grand son Archi-
-bald McCranie I give two negroes named Warrie and Jack
and one hundred and fifty acres of Land in Cumberland County
the plantation I formerly lived upon on Cape Fear 5^{thly} and to
my grand son Nathl McCranie I give one negro named Sam
and one hundred acres of Land below Hugh McCranies Creek
near Malsons Clarks line in Cumberland County and I give
two negro wenches named Seal and Betty to be equally divided
among my three grand sons Murdock McCranie Archibald
McCranie Nathl McCranie 6^{thly} and to my Daughter in Law Elizabeth

I and Testament that is to say principally and first
of all I give and recommend my soul into the hands of
almighty God that give it and my body ~~I recommend~~ I recommend
to the earth to be buried in a decent Christian burial at
the discretion of my Executors nothing doubting but at the
General Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the
mighty power of God and as touching such worldly Estate
wherewith it has pleased God to bless me in this life I give
devise and dispose of the same in the following manner
First I give and bequeath to Harvey Pitman my well beloved
son all the land contained in two first surveys belonging
to me on the East side of Horse Swamp with my plantation
thereon to him and his heirs or assigns but my wife to take
seventy five Acres of D. Land where it may best suit her
as best to her during her natural life and after that to
remain the property of D. son Charles Pitman and one feather
Bed and furniture and the Cattle that is now called his
with their increase. Also I give and dispose of the remaining
parts of the two forementioned Tracts of Land to my well
beloved son James Pitman that lieth on the West side
of Horse Swamp with one feather Bed and furniture and one
mare now called his mare and the Cattle that is now called
his with their increase to him and to his heirs and assigns
Also I give to my well beloved daughter Ann one
Bible and two Hens and Lambs. Also I give to my well beloved
daughter Charity Pitman two hundred Acres of Land lying
at a small distance from my other land and beginning
near the Cypress Bar at the head of Horse Camp and one
Horse Colt and the Cattle that is called her Cattle with
their increase, and one feather Bed and furniture
Also I give to Lamb Thompson one feather Bed and furniture
to his own use, and the rest of my Estate to be disposed of
to my children as my wife may best think fit and
do likewise constitute make and ordain Neham Pitman my
soul Executor of this my last will and Testament and I do
hereby utterly disallow revoke and disannull all and every other
former Testament Wills Legacies & bequests and Executors by me in any
ways before named willed and bequeathed Ratifying & Confirming
this and no other to be my last will & Testament. In witness whereof
have hereunto set my hand and seal the day & year above written signed sealed
pronounced & declared by the said Neham Pitman as his last will and
Testament in the presence the subscribers

James Pitman 3
Lamb Thompson 3
mark

Neham Pitman Seal

Robeson County } This will was proved in open Court by the
Nov Term 1787 } Oaths of James Thompson and James
Pitman & admitted to record } J. Barnes C.C.

Hugh McCranie

In the name of God and
the second day of
November one thousand

seven hundred and eighty seven I Hugh McCranie
of the County of Robeson & State of North Carolina
planter being weak in body but of perfect mind
& memory thanks be given to God therefore calling
into mind the mortality of my body and
knowing that it is appointed for all men once
to die, do make and ordain this my Last Will
& Testament viz. Principally & first of all
I give and recommend my soul, into the
hands of God that gave it, and my body
I recommend to the earth, to be buried in
decent Christian burial at the discretion of
my Executors nothing doubting but at the general resur-
-rection I shall receive 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 devise and
dispose of the same in the following manner and form
1st And to my Daughter Ann Daise I give one negro wench
named ~~my~~ during her life time and after her death her eldest
son Neill Daise is to have her; and her increase to be divided
among her children and I give my Daughter Ann Daise
likewise one negro Boy named young Jolly 2^{ly} and to my 1st
my Daughter Effie McLean I give one negro wench named Jean
3^{ly} And to my grand son Murdock McCranie I give two
negroes named old Joney and Frouck and three hundred
acres of Land lying in Cumberland County in the fork of
Hugh McCranies Creek 4^{thly} and to my grand son Archi-
-bald McCranie I give two negroes named Marrie and Jack
and one hundred and fifty acres of Land in Cumberland Coun-
ty the plantation I formerly lived upon on Cape Fear 5^{thly} and to
my grand son Neill McCranie I give one negro named Sam
and one hundred acres of Land below Hugh McCranies Creek
near Malcoms Clarks line in Cumberland County and I give
two negro wenches named Seal and Betty to be equally divided
among my three grand sons Murdock McCranie Archibald
McCranie Neill McCranie 6^{thly} And to my Daughter in Law Elizabeth

McCrane's two and negro girl named Pannab during his
life time and her increase to be given to my grand daughter
Catharine McCrane when she comes of age and at my daughter
in laws death the negro girls to be returned to my grand daughter
Catharine McCrane. And that those negroes which I
left to my grand sons Murdoch McCrane Archibald Mc
Crane and John McCrane are not to be at their own dispo-
sals until they come to the age of one and twenty years.

And I likewise constitute make and ordain Duncan Buie son
Duncan Buie Junr. and Gilbert Buie my Executors of this
my last will and Testament and I do hereby utterly disannul
revoke and disannul all and every other Testaments, wills,
Legacies and Bequests and Executors by me in any way before
named, written and bequeathed ratifying and confirming this
and no other to be my last will and Testament in witness
whereof I have hereunto set my hand seal the day and year
above written, Signed sealed ~~and~~ Published pronounced
and declared by the said Hugh McCrane as his last will
and Testament in the presence of us the subscribers

John Buie +

Patrick Smith

Hugh McCrane (Seal)

Robeson County } This Will was proved in
February Term 1788 } open Court by the oath of
John Buie & ordered to be Recorded
J. Barnes C. C.

Marron McThail

In the name of God Amen
The 25th day of November 1783

I, Marron McThail widder to

the deceased John McThail being not in good health but of good
and sound memory thanks be to Almighty God and calling to
remembrance the uncertain state of this transitory life and that all
flesh must yield to death when it please God to call to make
Constitute, I declare this my last will and Testament in manner
and form following revoking and annulling by these presents all
and every Testament or Testaments wills and wills heretofore by
me made and declared either by words or writing and this to be
taken only for my last will and Testament and none other and
now for the settling of my Estate and such good Cattle as I have
placed God for a reward to bestow upon me I do order give
and dispose the same in manner and form following that is to say

first, I leave my share of the whole estate after my death to my
 Daughter Mary, widdow to the deceased John Thail and
 to her heirs by said John Thail excepting three dollars
 one for Crisakellac Brown my Daughter and another dollar
 for Mary Leach my other Daughter and the third for a suit
 my Grand son my sons son. Likewise my black gown to my
 Daughter Christian and to Mary my other Daughter Leach's
 wife a suit of the best of the remainder of cloths. This I do
 sign and seal and acknowledge to be my last will and testam-
 ent, in the presence of

John Sitchrist +

Marion Thail (Duly
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 and

John Locherler

In the name of God Amen: I John
 Locherler of the County of Sladen
 and State of North Carolina being

of a weak body occasioned by old age and yet of a sound
 and perfect understanding and memory, I blessed be God for this I do hereby
 constitute this my last will and testament
 First I give my Body to the Earth from whence it may taken in
 full assurance of its resurrection from thence at the last day as
 for my Burial I desire it may be decent without pomp or State
 at the discretion of my dear wife and my Executors hereafter
 named I desire all my just debts be first paid I give to my
 dear and loving wife for term of life my plantation whereon I
 now live together with all my house hold furniture and after
 her death to my son Samuel Locherler with all my other Estate
 both real and personal of what kind soever to him and his heirs
 and assigns for ever ~~and I give to my daughter Mary Leach~~
~~one dollar and to my daughter Crisakellac Brown one dollar~~
~~and I give to my daughter Christian one dollar~~
 I give to all my other children
 both males and females lawfully begotten one shillings Sterling
 money each to them and their heirs forever, I do hereby constitute
 and appoint my trusty friends Mr John ~~and~~ and Mr John
 (family my true and lawful Executors of this my Last will & Testament

I and Trustees for my Wife and Children in witness whereof
I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twenty fifth day
of August in the year of our Lord 1784 signed sealed and
delivered in presence of us

John Cade

Elizabeth Hobbs Cade +

Philly Cherry

John Lockerley Esq
mark

James Ford

In the name of God Amen I
James Ford Senr of the County of
Schuylken and State of North Carolina

being weak in body but of perfect and sound memory, do make
this my last will and Testament as follows. I give and bequeath
to my son James Ford, one Negro woman named Hannah, and
a Negro girl named Lucy, to him and his heirs forever, after
my decease and then to descend to his seed to be theirs for ever,
and the moveables he is now possessed with. I likewise give and
bequeath to my son Thomas Ford one Negro man named
Simon, and one Negro Girl named Penah and one hundred
Acres of Land above him, together with the moveables he is
possessed with to be his, and this heirs for ever after my decease
I likewise give and bequeath to my son Benjamin Ford one hundred
Acres of Land whereon he now lives and one Acres of Land
above him, one Negro woman named Fide, and a Negro Girl
named Hannah, and a Negro boy named Simon and another
named Peter, another named Daniel, and another named
Stanley, to him and his heirs forever after my decease and
then to descend to his seed to be theirs for ever, and the
moveables he is now possessed with. I also appoint James Ford
Thomas Ford and Benjamin Ford, my whole and sole Executors of
this my last will and Testament in witness whereof I have
hereunto set my hand and seal this 24th day of December
1785 signed and sealed in the presence of
them as to my son William Ford and my son John Ford I cut
of each of them with one Shilling Sterling Each

James Biggs +
Richard Bullard
mark

James Ard Esq

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David Braboy

In the name of God Amen I
David Braboy of Robeson County
and State of North Carolina being

of sound and perfect mind, and memory blessed be God
do this 20th day of October in the Year of our Lord 1787
make and Publish this my last will and Testament in manner
following that is to say First I give and bequeath to my well
beloved son Stephen Braboy the Plantation now known to
gether with one hundred and fifty acres of Land therunto
belonging only my wife Lydia Braboy to live on my said
Plantation during her natural life or widowhood to him and
his heirs forever. — Likewise I give and bequeath to my
beloved Daughter Patience Hammons one Corn and half
to her and her heirs forever. — Likewise I give and bequeath
to my well beloved Daughter Nancy Barker one Corn and
yeabbling to her and her heirs for ever. — Likewise I give
and bequeath to my well beloved son Stephen Braboy one Gray
Horse to him and his heirs forever. I give and bequeath to my
well beloved wife Lydia Braboy one bay horse to her and her heirs
forever. And I leave all the rest of my Estate within doors and
without to be equally divided between my wife Lydia Braboy
and my four youngest Children that is to say Patsy Braboy
and Melly Braboy and Stephen Braboy and Levist Braboy
to them and their heirs forever. — and I hereby make and order
my beloved wife Lydia Braboy and my worthy friend James
Biggs Executors of this my last will and Testament in
witness whereof I the said David Braboy have to this my last
will and Testament set my hand and seal the day and Year
first above written signed sealed and Published and delivered by the
said David Braboy the testator as his last will and Testament in the presence
who were present at the time of signing and sealing thereof
test
Thomas Varson

David Braboy Esq

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Braswell Hunt

In the name of God Amen I
Braswell Hunt of Robeson County
and State of North Carolina:

Weak in body yet of sound and perfect Memory & understanding
thanks be to the Almighty God do constitute and ordain this
my last will and Testament I give my body to the Earth
from whence it was taken in full assurance of its resurrection
from thence at the last day as for my Burial I desire it may
be decent without pomp or State at the discretion of my
Executors hereafter named as to my worldly Estate I desire
all my just debts be first paid. Item I give to my dear and
loving wife all my Real and Personal Estate of what
nature soever during her single life or widowhood and
no longer and after my said wife's death or marriage
I desire my Execut^{rs} Cause all my Estate to be sold and
equally divided amongst all my Children then alive:
I desire all my Estate remain in my wife's hands while she
have a single life in order to raise my Children on and her own
reasonable support but if my Executors should see or think my
Estate is decaying through neglect or ignorance of my said
wife I desire they may endeavour to remedy that at their discretion
I also desire that my small plantation on Weshpole containing
one hundred acres of Land be immediately sold by my Executors
in order to help discharge my debts and if any remainder to be
applied to the use of paying public Taxes &c. to appoint my trusty
and well beloved friends John Wade and Elias Barnes Esq^s my
true and Lawful Executors to this my last will and Testament
in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this
10th day July 1787 in presence of us

Samuel Hains
Elizabeth Robeson Wade

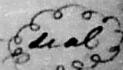
Braswell Hunt (Seal)
mark

Solomon Mercer

In the name of God Amen I Solomon
Mercer of the County of Robeson
and State of North Carolina

Being old and weak but in perfect mind and memory thanks be given
unto God Calling unto mind the mortality of my body and
knowing that it is appointed ~~me~~ for all men once to die, do
make and ordain this my last will and Testament that is to
say principally and first of all I give and recommend my
soul unto the hand of Almighty God that gave it and my
body I recommend to the Earth to be buried in decent Christian
Burial at the discretion of my Executors nothing doubting but
at the general resurrection I shall receive 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
devise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form
First I give and bequeath to Sarah my dear beloved wife
all my Estate both real and Personal during her life or widow
hood and at the end of that period I give to my son Malice
Mercer five Shillings Sterling, I also give to my son Solomon
Mercer five Shillings Sterling, I also give unto my Daughter
Elizabeth Wiggles five Shillings Sterling, I also give to my
son Christopher Mercer all and singular my
Lands of every kind wherever the same shall be I also leave
all my Personal Estate to be equally divided between my son
Christopher Mercer and my three Youngest Daughters to
wit Sarah Taylor Nancey Campbell and Constant Glover by
them freely to be possessed and enjoyed, and I do hereby utterly
disallow revoke and disannul all and every other former
Testaments, Wills, Legacies bequeaths and Executor by me in any
way before named made and bequeathed Ratifying and confirming
this and no other to be my last will and Testament and I do
further, appoint Christopher Mercer the sole Executor of this my
last will and Testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my
hand and seal this 15th day of December in the year of our Lord one
thousand seven hundred and eighty eight Signed sealed published
pronounced and declared by the said Solomon Mercer as his last
will and Testament in the presence of us who in his presence and in
the presence of each other have hereunto subscribed our names

John Egan +
William Egan +

Solomon Mercer 

Chambers & Humphrey

In the name of God Amos Chambers
Humphrey of Robeson County and
State of North Carolina, Being

of sound and perfect mind and memory Blessed be God, do
this 15th day of March in the year of our Lord 1788 make and
publish this my last will and Testament in manner as following
that is to say first I give and bequeath to my well beloved
son William Humphrey one Cow and Calf to him and his
heirs forever, I give unto my son John Humphrey one
hundred Acres of Land on the Bulout Swamp including the plan-
tation I & John Humphrey now live on and fifty Acres of Land
of the lower part of Land I had of Sepur Ophunt to him and his heirs
forever, I give unto my son Thomas Humphrey one hundred
and eighty Acres of Land on the Path towards John Clyburns
including my own improvement to him and his heirs forever
I give unto my son James Humphrey one Hundred Acres of Land I
had of James Biggs in the vast Swamp opposite of James Edwards
Plantation to him and his heirs forever, — I give unto my
well beloved wife Lucy Humphrey one hundred Acres of Land
including the plantation I now live on with all my stock and
moveables with in doors and with out to her during natural
life and then the Land and plantation to my youngest son Sam-
uel Humphrey to him and his heirs for ever And the stock and
moveables that shall at the time to be equally divided amongst
my six youngest Children, And I ~~bequeath~~ by my will and ordain
my well beloved wife Lucy Humphrey Executors of this my last
will and Testament in which whosoever of ~~them~~ the said Chambers
Humphrey have to this my last will and Testament set my hands
and seal this day and year above written signed sealed and
published and declared by the said Chambers Humphrey the testator
as his last will and Testament in the presence of us who were present
at the time of signing and sealing thereof

James Biggs
Samuel Biggs

Amos Chambers
his Humphrey
mark

John Cade

In the name of God, Amen I John
Cade of Robeson County and State
of North Carolina. Make in body

Met of a sound and perfect understanding memory and understand-
ing thanks be to the Almighty God for the same; do constitute
and ordain this my last will and testament. - I give my
body to the Earth from whence it was taken in full assurance
of its resurrection from thence at the last day. As for my
Burial I desire it may be decent without pomp or state at
the discretion of my dear wife and my Executors hereafter
named: / as to my worldly Estate I desire all my just debts may
be paid. Item. I give and bequeath to my dear and loving wife
Elizabeth Hobson Cade the Plantation whereon I now live with
my Grist Mill thereon and all other my fixtures and improve-
ments near or joining the same together with all my negroes
Great and Small old and young with all their increase all
horses, cattle sheep and pigs and all other my moveable Estate
of what kind or nature soever: During her single life or widow-
hood and no longer. - Item I give to my son Stephen Cade
all my lands on Wilkerson's Swamp including the plantation
where he now lives. - I give to my son James Cade my plantation
Michals Swamp whereon I did lately live with all the improve-
ments thereon: and also my plantation joining the same known
by Blackwell's Place: I give to my son Washington Cade my
plantation on Shoal known by the name of S. Charvis. Also
with all the improvements belonging to the same both in the
N. and S. States: also one hundred acres of Land at the mouth
of Salys mill Swamp including my mill seat. - Item I give
to my little son Robert Cade after the marriage or death of
his mother Elizabeth Hobson Cade the Plantation whereon I now
live with my Grist mill and all my lands near or joining
the same with my plantation called Bonusfield: Peppisfield:
John Charvis improvement: the Pretty Pond: / also the Plowed
Pond: and all other my lands on ~~Wilkinson's Swamp~~ /
excepting my mill seat at ~~the~~ ~~mouth~~ ~~of~~ ~~Salys~~ ~~mill~~ ~~Swamp~~ ~~at~~ ~~the~~ ~~mouth~~ ~~of~~ ~~Salys~~ ~~mill~~ ~~Swamp~~

mentioned to Washington Cade containing one hundred
 Acres: I give to my son in Law William Kennedy my land
 at Ashpole bridge Called the muster Ground. Then I give to
 each of my Daughters Agnes and Elizabeth Cade as much of
 my Estate as will Buy them a reasonable young horse or mare
 suitable for a young woman to ride and a good hunting
 saddle and bridle: and after the marriage or death of
 my wife I desire that all my moveable Estate Consisting
 of Negroes and their increase Horses Cattle and Sheep and
 Hogs and all other my moveable Property be Equally divided
 amongst my seven Children that is to say Stephen Cade
 Cade James Washington and Robert Cade Mary Kennedy
 Agnes and Elizabeth Cade I further desire that my land
 Called Holleys neck including the plantation where this
 Brown now lives containing three hundred and fifty acres
 and also my ~~plantation~~ Land on Cornigan Branch including
 the place where Richard Jones lives be sold to the best advantage
 giving some Credit to the purchaser: on taking Bond and
 security at the discretion of my wife and Executors another
 money or other pay arising for such Lands to be put in the
 hands of my wife to be by her applied to the support of
 her and family and in paying Taxes and in ~~educating~~
 the Children. I further desire that all debts due me by
 either bond, note or book only be collected as soon as possible by
 my wife and Executors: and after paying all my just debts
 to be applied to purchasing stock cattle for the use and benefit
 of my children and after her marriage or death to be equally div-
 ided as before mentioned. I further desire that there be good
 and Lawful (Deeds of Conveyance for several pieces of Land
 made to several persons in the parish of St. Michael by the names of
 McInnis and Campbell: and all Entries on St. John's paying
 of his note given for his part as Campbell and McInnis has paid
 do let the expenses of the grants: and that the same be done as
 soon as the Grants come to hand from the office: I further desire
 that all my household furniture of every kind never be equally
 divided between Washington and Robert Cade after the marriage
 or death of their mother whereby Court, testate and appoint
 my dear and loving wife Elizabeth Wilson Cade Executrix and
 my trust and loving friends James Cade and Elias Barnes Esqrs
 my true and Lawful Executors to this my last will and testament
 I witness whereof I have signed at my hand and seal this 15th day
 July in the year of our Lord signed sealed and delivered } 1755
 in presence of

Stephen Cade 3
Agnes Cade 3

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John Cade Seal 3
N.B. The word Increase of Negroes
put in before signed

John Bell

In the name of God Amen. I John Bell
of Robeson County and State
of North Carolina Planter being

but weak in body but of sound mind and memory do make this
my last will and Testament In presence, First and only, I give
unto Mary Bell my dearly beloved wife all my lands
which I now am possessed of consisting of Two hundred and
ten acres with all my houses goods and Chattels orchards
and every thing which I now am possessed of to be at her dis-
posal after my Death to Grant give sell or in any wise dis-
pose of according to her free will and choice without any
hindrance from any manner of manner of Person or persons
and it is now my desire that this my last will and Testament
be completely vested in her hands and every thing above
written to be absolutely at her disposal after my Death and
I do hereby appoint my beloved wife Mary Bell my full
and whole Executor of this my last will and Testament Given
under my hand and seal this 12th day of May and in the
year of our Lord one Thousand seven hundred and eighty eight
in presence of

Samuel Allison
Henson J. H. +
Charlotte Allison
mark

In his presence
John Bell
Seal

17 In the name of God and man, I Joseph Stricklen Planter in
Robeson County being very sick and weak in person but sound
in judgment and perfect memory thanks be to God for his mercy
knowing the mortality of my body do make and ordain this my
last will and testament that is to say principally and first of
all I order my debts to be paid and then I order to be given to
Levi Stricklen a son of Elizabeth Stricklen a widow of Jacob
Stricklen deceased one hundred Acres of Land whereon I now live
and also I order that my Horse Bridle and Saddle be given him
and one Cow and calf and one and three pigs one Gun all these arti-
cles I give to this said Levi Stricklen a son of Elizabeth
Stricklen deceased then all the rest of my Estate to my beloved
wife Mary Stricklen and after her death to the said Levi
Stricklen I order that Jacob Afford and Lion Afford to be
executors of my Estate October 16th 1789

Test
In Witness

Joseph Strickland

Moses Grise

In the name of God Amen, I Moses
Grise Planter of the County of
Robeson being very sick and weak
in body, but of sound judgment and perfect memory thanks be to
God for his mercies and knowing the mortality of my body
do make and ordain this my Last will and testament, princi-
pally and first of all I order my debts to be paid, and for
the love and affection I have for my wife Mary Grise I desire
my estate may remain in her hands during her life or widow-
hood but if the underwritten Executors should disapprove of her
conduct in the management, of said Estate I desire for them
take the charge of the same, and to put her to her thirds,
then, I give and bequeath to my son Benjamin Grise one hundred
Acres of Land including the Plantation where I now live after his
mothers death or marriage, and as for the rest of my personal
Estate, after the death or widowhood of my wife, I desire it may
be equally divided between my other five children (to wit) Pety

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Salley, Salley, John and Jonathan, I also order that
my two youngest sons John and Jonathan have the two first
of the interest of my mare I do also constitute and appoint
to Jacob Clifford and Thos. Ard Executors of this my last
will and Testament, in witness whereof I have hereunto
put my hand and seal this 30th of May 1789

John Quinn
Salley's Grace
mark

Moses G. Grise
mark

John Bullard Senr

State of North Carolina Rob.
County the municipality of
John Bullard deceased on
fourteenth of April the said John Bullard Senr called upon
us John Bullard Junr - Thomas Jackson to be witnesses how
he wanted his Estate to be divided viz. he said it was his
desire that his son Jonathan Bullard should have his Gun,
secondly that it was his desire that his wife Elizabeth Bull
-ard should have the rest of his Estate to maintain his little
children upon
22nd of April 1782.

John Bullard Junr
mark
Thomas Jackson
mark

Joseph Baggett

October 13th 1789 The last will
and Testament of Joseph Baggett
first I desire that all my just
debts should be paid out of my moveable property that I desire

19 that the plantation whereon I live should be Equally divided between my two sons Barton Baggott and Steadon Baggott then I give and bequeath to my Beloved Daughter Lett Baggott one Feather Bed and furniture and one likely young Son - I desire that all the rest of my moveable property should be left with my Will beloved wife Sarah Baggott during her life and then to be equally divided between my two youngest Children - as witness my hand and seal this day and date above written

That John Mountst

Joseph Baggott Esq^r
Attest I am that Joshua Harrah and my wife Sarah Baggott
should execute my will

Hugh Brown

In the name of God Amen
I Hugh Brown of North Carolina
Robeson County through the
abundant mercy and goodness of God the Lord in body
yet of a sound and perfect understanding and memory do
make this my last will and testament as follows
Item I give and bequeath to my dearly beloved wife the
plantation I now live on and negro Moll and two child that
is now at her breast the black horse the Bay mare and
colt and Gray filly and the most part of the stock as long
as she lives with the Duncan my son and at her death the whole
to be and remain my son Duncans and all lands joining
the plantation in all four hundred acres, Item I give and
bequeath to my son Hugh a negro boy named Linge and
two hundred acres of Land above my son Williams who
now lives Item I give and bequeath to my son William
a negro boy named Simon and fifty acres of Land joining
Johnell's place Item I give and bequeath to my son Phill negro
Soll and two hundred acres of Land on Gilles branch where
Alex. Campbell now lives Item I give and bequeath to my son
John one hundred acres of Land on rock fish Creek near John
Stewart and Jonstons Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter

I now a negro girl named Chaine. Item I give and bequeath to
my daughter Mary one Cow and calf in witness whereof I
have hereunto set my hand and seal September 28th 1789
John Fort
Seal
Seal
Hugh Brown Seal

Elizabeth Wishart.

In the name of God Amen I
Elizabeth Wishart, of the State of
North Carolina and County

of Bladen being sick and weak in body but of perfect mind and
memory thanks be given to Almighty God for the same and
calling to mind that it is appointed once for all men to die
do make and ordain this my last will and Testament in mann-
er and form following that is to say first I recommend my
soul into the hands of Almighty God that gave it me and
secondly what it hath been God to bestow on me as fol-
loweth; after my just debts paid and Funeral Expenses
discharged at the discretion of my Executors hereafter
named, I give and bequeath unto my beloved
son Jonathan Wishart one hundred and fifty Acres
of Land the hundred acre piece called the other Ground
the other fifty called the pasture Land also fifty Acres
more in Robeson County West side of the Great Swamp
lying on the Little Swamp, and if my son Jonathan should
die without heirs the before mentioned Land to return unto
Sarah Ann Harrison she and her heirs forever - Also my Estate
Real and Personal I give and bequeath unto my son Jonathan
Wishart he his heirs and assigns forever. Lastly I constitute
and appoint my beloved friends William Bryan and
William Inglish my Executors to this my last will
and Testament Revoking and Disannulling all former
wills by me made ratifying and confirming this and only
this to be and contain my last will and Testament this
23rd day of September 1790

Signed sealed and delivered in presence of

21. A. Pearce
Joseph Singleton
J. C. Hall

mm

Elizabeth ^{her} Michael ^(sister)
mark

Mary McNeill

In the name of God Amen
I, Mary McNeill of the County
of Polk and State of North

Carolina, being weak in body but of perfect mind and memory
do make this my last will and testament in manner and
form following. I do give and bequeath to my beloved son
Nathaniel McNeill the House and Plantation where he now lives
together with the upper part of that tract of Land that is now in
my possession beginning about 100 yards from the corner
that is at the head of the branch above the line, and running
across the land keeping the same distance from the first line
that was run throughout, including the houses that I now live
in, and the little orchard; and likewise two, to be his and
his heirs for ever. I give and bequeath to my beloved
son Daniel McNeill the house and Plantation where I
now live together with the lower part of the above mentioned
tract of Land, beginning about one hundred yards above
the corner at the head of the Branch as above together
with sixty pounds, and four half pence that I owe ones
me, and likewise forty three pounds twelve shillings currency
that my son Nathaniel McNeill owes, and likewise [£]15 that
Phil. Hodges owes me, bearing Interest from Dec. 1789, to be
to be his, and his heirs forever. I likewise desire that my four
negroes, viz. Peter, Peggy, Betty and Sam, maybe Equally sha-
red between my two Daughters Jane, and Catharine to be
theirs and their heirs for ever. I desire likewise that my Bed
and Bed Clothes, the great clock and little wheel and Cards
be left in Marianne McNeill's possession until my Children be
of age, I give and bequeath to my beloved Daughter Marianne
McNeill fifty acres of Land lying back of the pond at the house
likewise my saddle and two of my looking glass, one pair steel

Yards, a smoothing Iron, likewise my Caps and some of my Cloths
to be hers and her heirs for ever, I desire likewise that all my
Corns, Horses, and sheep, and house furniture (except what will be
for the present use of the Children) to be sold at publick sale, and
the value thereof equally divided between Daniel, Janet and
Catharine, I desire likewise that whosoever of those three dies
first, the other two may have equal shares of the property of the
deceased, and if any of them happen through the good
will of Providence to be disabled, either by sickness or other acci-
dents, I desire that that the other two will help the one
thus disabled, with their property, I likewise desire that
my Goods be equally divided among all my Children.
And lastly I appoint Hector McNeill sailor James
McNeill at Rockfish, and a Skill Smith at the great mar-
sh to be my whole and sole Executors of this my last
will and Testament, in witness whereof I have hereunto
set my hand and seal this 13th day July in the year
of our Lord 1790 Signed sealed and Acknowledged
in presence of us

Hector McNeill
Daniel McPherson

May^h McNeill Seal
mark X

John Mount

In the name of God Amen, I
John Mount of the County of
Hobson in the State of North
Carolina being sick and weak of Body but of perfect sense and
memory do make and ordain this my last will and Testament
and do dispose of my worldly Effects in manner and form
following. Inprimis, After my just debts and funeral Charges
are paid and discharged, I do desire give and bequeath unto
my well beloved son in Law John Rogers, the plantation
whereon I live, together with all the lands that I may be
possessed of, with a horse called Boreum two Shares for corn,
one cow and calf one meadow Loom and one Sape to him
and his heirs for ever, I am The remainder of my Estate I leave

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kind whatever I do give to equally divided among the rest
 of my Children, my sons and sons in Law, to whom their
 heirs and assigns forever, and I do hereby Constitute and appoint
 my two sons Jacob and Philip Blount and Edmund Parley
 to be my only and whole Executors to execute this my last
 will and Testament, And do hereby utterly, disavow dis-
 -allow revoke and make void all and every other former
 Testament bequest, legacy or wills by me heretofore
 made hereby ratifying and confirming this and no other
 to be my last and only will and Testament.

Witness my hand and seal this seventeenth day of
 December 1790 signed sealed published pronounced and
 declared by the said John Blount as his last will and
 Testament in presence of

Abraham Barnes } John Blount Seal
 Witness }

Purcan Campbell

In the of God Amen

I Purcan Campbell of Putnam
 County in the State of North

Carolina, planter being in a weak state of health and
 finding my outward tabernacle fast to decay but of
 perfect and sound mind and memory not calling
 to mind the shortness of my life and the certainty of death
 do make my last will and Testament in manner and
 form following viz. in the first place I commend my
 spirit to the Almighty God from whom I received it and
 my body to the dust from whence it was taken in sure
 and certain hopes of the resurrection at the last day
 all my my worldly goods and effects I will and command
 to be distributed as follows all my Lawful debts and
 Funeral Charges to be discharged as soon as convenient after
 my Interment, I give and bequeath unto my beloved spouse
 Christian, the house wherein I now live with all the house hold
 furniture, Beds, Bed clothes, and body clothes, also on third part

of all my other property whatsoever such as horses, cattle, hogs,
 Lands, &c. during his life time, unto my beloved son Hugh
 Campbell I give and bequeath the remaining two third parts
 of all my Lands, money, goods, chatties, and effects, I also direct
 will and command that the said Hugh Campbell receive
 and enjoy the third part of my property that is given and bequea
 thed unto my beloved wife Catharine, as above, after her death
 and not before, I hereby constitute and appoint the foresaid
 Hugh Campbell my son and my trusty friend Peterell Keller
 to be joint Executors of this my last will and Testament and
 I hereby make null and void all other wills and Testament
 whatsoever made and Executed by me Preceding this date
 in witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal
 this thirteenth day of April in the Year of our Lord one
 thousand seven hundred and ninety, signed sealed pronoun
 ced and declared in presence of
 Neil McAlpin
 Finlay McCorvey +

OC Seal

Nenny Meper

In the name of God Amen I Henry
 Meper planter of Holston County
 and State of North Carolina

Being weak in body but of sound and perfect mind and memory
 blessed be the almighty God for the same do make and publish this
 my last will and Testament in manner and form following
 that is to say first, I give and bequeath unto my lawful wife
 Hannah Meper one half of my plantation and house one negro
 man name Jude on half of my stock horses cattle hogs also
 half of my Thomael Turnetts mares and merchandise that
 I am possessed of she to enjoy and possess the same as her right and
 property during her life time and no longer, I do also give to
 my son Peter Meper all my land that is on the lower side of the
 Branch and also the smiths doib also I give and bequeath unto
 my son William Meper all my land on the upper side of the
 Branch and the Branch also the half of my stock horses cattle

Hogs hives and merchandise that I am possessed of at the time of my death except what I shall give to my Daughters Harvey and Dorothy also I give William Miller my son the legacy that I have left to his mother at her death for him to enjoy and possess forever also I give to my Daughters Nancy Ellory and Dorothy Miller five head of Cattle which Nancy has in her possession and four head of Cattle which Dorothy has in her possession all it is my last will and pleasure if each of them Nancy and Dorothy to have fifteen pounds specie to be paid unto the said Nancy and Dorothy before there is any division between Hannah Miller and William Miller also I give to Elizabeth herein fifteen Shillings specie also I give to Margaret Willis ten Shillings specie therefore I desire that all these legacies shall be paid within six months after my death and I hereby constitute and appoint my Son Peter and my son in law Agoston Willis joint Executors of this my last will and Testament hereby revoking all former wills by me made in which whereof I have hereto set my hand and seal the fifth day of November in the year of our Lord seventeen hundred and ninety One signed sealed ~~and~~ published and declared by the above named Henry Miller to be his last will and Testament in the presence of us who have hereto subscribed our names as witnesses in the presence of the Testator

Henry Miller (Seal)
 + Ambrose Cornell
 Solomon Cihner

Donald McNeill

State of North Carolina
 Robeson County Be it
 known to all heirs and
 Executors of me Donald McNeill that I
 doe my Will this day in my proper sense

and judgment and that I allow after my
own death to Janet McNeill my own wife
full power of all my property of Two hundred
and seventy acres of land and fifty on the
long swamp and all the stock cows & Horses
sheep and Hags furniture to set and do what
you please with it all your life time and
after your death my son Donald McNeill
is to come heir of Two hundred and seventy
acres of land and fifty on the long swamp
and all the stock cows Horses sheep and hags
and negro called Willibie and if my son
Daniel ^{son of} McNeill dies childless let all his property
be divided two parts to both his brothers and
two sisters & one third to his mother being I allow
Piggies to get three Cows & Bed with all furniture
and a shilling Sterling if she will continue with
her mother till she is married, One Cow to
Polly and shilling Sterling One Cow to Hector
McNeill and shilling Sterling to Neill my
son another Cow and three Sterling now I
do this with my soul content in my proper
sense and judgment that no person or
persons cannot alter this Will and I do allow
both my brothers in law to be Executors of my
son Daniel McNeill property after his mother
death and my own death thing I do on this
day sign & seals 7th March 1792.

John Ferguson }
James Ferguson }

Donald McNeill

27 Turquill McNeill

In the name of God Amen.
The fifth day of February in
the year of our Lord one
thousand seven hundred and ninety three I Turquill McNeill
of the State of North Carolina Robeson County planter being
weak in body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be
to God for the same and calling unto mind the mortality
of my body knowing that it is appointed for all men once
to die do make and ordain this my last will and Testament
that is to say principally and first of all I give and recom-
mend my soul unto God and for my body I recommend
it to the Earth to be buried in a Christian like and decent manner
at the discretion of my dear Children and Executors which
shall be named hereafter not doubting but at the general
resurrection I shall receive the same 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 and
dispose of the same in manner and form as followeth namely
In the first place I give ~~and~~ bequeath and demise unto my
beloved son Lauchlan McNeill all the land belong unto me
on both sides of the Buffalo Creek including the mill also the
land upon the East side of Cape Fear River containing
one hundred and ten or twenty acres joining Duncan Camp
also I also give and bequeath to the said son Lauch-
lan a negroe girl named Bete a negroe girl named
Pleasant and negroe girl named Jane I give bequeath
and demise unto my beloved son Duncan McNeill the tract
of Land upon Millerson Swamp containing 300 acres one
hundred and five acres upon Carvers Creek in Cumberland
County and the place where I live at present only if my
beloved spouse shall survive me one half of said shall
be his property during his life and after his death the
whole to be the property of my son Duncan containing
350 acres in three different surveys also to the said son
Duncan I give a negroe fellow named Fortune a negroe
fellow named Bete a nuch named Hannah with her in-
case and a negroe boy named Jack all the Horses Cattle
shub and Hogs, I give and bequeath to my said son Duncan
the stock and all the house furniture, and plantation
tools and all other things I give and bequeath the negroe
fellow Simon to my dear spouse and after her decease
the said negroe I bequeath to my said son Lauchlan. I
give and bequeath to each of my Daughters viz Mary

My Son, Manion Ferguson and Margaret McClell to each
 of them as aforesaid one shilling sterling as also to my
 son Gurgill McClell one shilling sterling I do hereby fully
 disallow revoke and disannul all and every other form
 Testaments wills and Legacies Requests and Executors by me
 in any ways before this time by me named willed and
 bequeathed satisfying and confirming this and no
 other to be my last will and Testament I do constitute
 John Gilchrist Donald McClell and James McClell
 Executors of this my last will and Testament in witness
 whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the
 day and year first above written signed sealed
 published and declared by the said Gurgill McClell
 as his last will and Testament in the presence of
 Arch McClell
 Andrew McClell
 Daniel Ferguson

Gurgill McClell
 Mark

John Lee

In the name of God Amen
 John Lee of the County of Wilkes
 in the State of North Carolina

Planter being very weak and feeble in body but in perfect
 mind and memory thanks be given unto God but calling
 unto mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it
 is appointed for all men once to die, do make and ordain
 this my last will and Testament that is to say principally
 and first of all I give and bequeath recommend my soul
 into the hand of Almighty God that gave it and my bo-
 dy I recommend to the earth to be buried in decent Christian
 form at the discretion of my Executors nothing doubting
 but at the general resurrection I shall receive the same
 again by the mighty power of God and as touching such
 worldly estate wherewith it has pleased God to bless me in the
 life I give demise and dispose of the same in the following
 manner and form, First I give and bequeath to my wife Rebecca

my dearly beloved wife all and singular my whole Estate real and personal. for the purpose of supporting of her during her life and after her death if any thing remains to be disposed of in the following manner viz to the Lawful heirs of my Daughter Mary Rogar one shilling Sterling to be paid out of my Estate also to the Lawfull heirs of my Daughter Lemima Jackson one shilling Sterling to be paid out of my Estate also to the Lawfull heirs of my Daughter Rebecca Gilman one shilling Sterling to be paid out of my Estate also to my son Shadrach Lee one Cor to be paid out of my Estate also to my Grand Daughter Rebecca Rogar one feather Bed and the furniture belonging to the said bed and also to my Daughter Elizabeth Bullard all and singular of the rest of my Estate real and personal for during the time of her life and after her death my Land to descend to her son Shadrach Bullard or in case of his death to his Lawfull heirs and I do make and ordain my Daughter Elizabeth Bullard my sole Executrix of this my last will and Testament and I do hereby utterly disavow revoke and disannul all and every other former Testaments wills legacies bequests and Executors by me or in any ways before named willed and bequeathed testifying ~~this~~ and confirming this and no other to be my last will and Testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this fifth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety two signed sealed ~~and~~ published pronounced and delivered by the said John Lee as his last will and Testament in presence of us who in presence and in the presence of each other have hereto subscribed our names

Ralph Regant
 Alice Regan
 Margaret Sims

John Lee
 mark

Richard Thomas

In the name of God Amen
Richard Thomas of Robeson
County and State of North Carolina

Being sick and weak in body but of perfect mind and memory
calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing
that it is appointed to all men once to die do make and
ordain this my last will and Testament that is to say prime-
-ly and first of all I recommend my soul to almighty
God that giveth and my body to the earth to be buried in decent
Christian burial at the expence of my Executors —
and as touching such worldly estate wherewith it has pleased
God to bless me in this life I do give and dispose of in the
manner and form following Item, I leave my plan-
-tation mill and other lands to my beloved wife Mary
Thomas and all my stock of every kind and household
furniture of every sort also during her life or middle
hood for the support of her and family and at the end of
that period the whole to be equally divided among my
Children and I do further appoint John Tegan the sole
Executor of this my last will and Testament and I do hereby
disannul revoke and disallow all and every other former
will legacy or bequest ratifying ~~the~~ and confirming
this and nothing to be my last will and Testament and
intemp whereof I have thereto set my hands and sea-
-led this third day of February 1792 signed sealed pronounced
and declared in the presence of

James Wilson
Henry Taylor
mark

Richard Thomas
his wife Mary
mark

Cador Thompson

Cador Thompsons with whom he
said was that a child by the

name of Sapphury Secret living on Ashpole swamp should
have all his property This he told me but a few hours before

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his death and gave me to understand that I must
Execute the same
Test. Joshua Tharack +

John Moor

In the name of God Amen
I John Moor of the County of
Hobson Being near in body

yet in perfect mind and memory do constitute and ordain
this to be my last will and Testament in manner and form
following To wit. I send unto my beloved wife Mary Moor
the land and plantation wherein I now live containing
two hundred acres for and during the term of her
natural life and after her death to be Equally divided
between my son Morris Moor and the one yet unborn
should he be a son otherwise the whole to be invested
in my son Morris Moor. It is also my desire after my
just debts being paid that the whole of my property consist-
ing of Horses, cattle, Hogs, sheep, Corn, and household
furniture be and remain in the hands of my wife Mary
Moor during the term of her natural life for the support
of her self and children and should there be any thing
remaining at the death of my wife after settling and
supporting my children it is my desire that the same
should be divided equally amongst my children I also
constitute and ordain my son William Moor Henry Thompson
son and Sam Bridgers Executors of this my last will and
Testament in witness to these presents I have hereunto
set my hand and seal this 22nd day of October 1793

Test

Sam Bridgers +

Henry Thompson

John ^{his} Moor Seal
mark

Archibald McLean

John McLean planter in Robeson
County being very low in health
but perfect sound in judgment

and perfect memory thanks be to God for his mercies promising
the mortality of my body do make and ordain this my
last will and Testament that is to say principally and
first of all I order my just debts to be paid for the love
and effect I have for my beloved wife I order to be given
her one shilling sterling I order to be given my Daughter
Mary McLean one shilling sterling I order to be given my
Daughter Catharine McLean one hundred acres of Land
on the first swamp that include the old field that
Joan's made adjoining Camron and Clark, I order to be
given to my son John McLean all my land laying on west
side of my one Branch that runs into Wilkison below
my field that the run of said Branch to David's land
from my other Land and also I give him my negro fellow
Cuff and likewise I give him my horse and saddle and
Bridle and my big pot and fentler disk the largest there
is and also all my working Tools to be divided between
my two sons I order that my son John to have one half
of the profit of my orchard that is on the plantation
whereon I now live until he gets a plantation of his own
I order to be given to my son Lanthier McLean the plantation
whereon I now live with all my lands be it more or less
except those parts that I have given to my son John and
Daughter Catharine before in my will I order that my
wife Nancy McLean have free use of my plantation during
her life and widowhood also my two youngest Children
to raised and schooled on the benefit arising from my
plantation and property that belongs to my son Lanthier
I order that my mare and saddle and Bridle be kept for
the free use of my plantation until my son Lanthier comes of
age and also that my son John have every other colt that my
mare fetches only Lanthier the first and also the mare
when he comes of age and all his increase that John don't have
I order that all my stock and other estate be equally divided
among all my Children except my Daughter Mary McLean
I order that Janet Alford Lion Alford and Susanna Gracham

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his death and gave me to understand that I must
Execute the same
Test. Joshua Pharaoh +

John Moor

In the name of God Amen
I John Moor of the County of
Hobson, Being weak in body

yet in perfect mind and memory do constitute and ordain
this to be my last will and Testament in manner and form
following. To wit, I lend unto my beloved wife Mary Moor
the land and plantation wherein I now live containing
two hundred acres for and during the term of her
natural life and after her death to be Equally divided
between my son Morris Moor and the one yet unborn
should it be a son otherwise the whole to be invested
in my son Morris Moor, it is also my desire after my
last debts being paid that the whole of my property consist-
ing of Horses, Cattle, Hogs, Sheep, Corn, and household
furniture be and remain in the hands of my wife Mary
Moor during the term of her natural life for the support
of her self and children and should there be any thing
remaining at the death of my wife after schooling and
supporting my children it is my desire that the same
should be divided equally amongst my children I also
constitute and ordain my son William Moor Henry Thomp-
son and Sam Bridgers Executors of this my last will and
Testament in witness to these presents, I have hereunto
set my hand, and seal this 22nd day of October 1793

Test
Sam Bridgers +
Henry Thompson

John Moor
mark

Archibald McLean

John McLean planter in Robeson
County being very low in health
but perfect sound in judgment

and perfect memory thanks be to God for his mercies knowing
the mortality of my body do make and ordain this my
last will and Testament that is to say principally and
first of all I order my just debts to be paid for the love
and effect I have for my beloved wife I order to be given
her one shilling Sterling I order to be given my Daughter
Mary McLean one shilling Sterling I order to be given my
Daughter Catharine McLean one hundred acres of Land
on the first grant that include the old field that
Gowens made adjoining Camron and Clark, I order to be
given to my son John McLean all my land lying on west
side of my own Branch that runs into Wilkison below
my field that the run of said Branch to David San land
from my other Land and also I give him my negro fellow
Coff and likewise I give him my horse and saddle and
Bridle and my big cart and gentler disk the largest there
is and also all my working Tools to be divided between
my two sons I order that my son John to have one half
off the profit of my orchard that is on the plantation
whereon I now live until he gets a plantation of his own
I order to be given to my son Lanthorn McLean the plantation
whereon I now live with all my lands be it more or less
except those parts that I have given to my son John and
Daughter Catharine before in my will I order that my
wife Nancy McLean have free use of my plantation during
her life and widowhood also my two youngest children
to raised and schooled on the benefit arising from my
plantation and property that belongs to my son Lanthorn
I order that my mare and saddle and Bridle be kept for
the free use of my plantation until my son Lanthorn comes of
age and also that my son John have every other colt that my
mare fetches only Lanthorn the first and also the mare
when he comes of age and all his increase that John don't have
I order that all my stock and other estate be equally divided
among all my children except my Daughter Mary McLean
I order that John Alford Lion Alford and Catharine

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to be Executors to my will signed sealed this 24th day
 of September 1794
 Test. John ^{his} Conllyt
 Test. Eliza ^{her} Pittmon

Arch^lell^l ^{his} Seal
 Maudy ^{her} Seal

John Brown

Witness by Virga the 15th
 of Jan^y 1794 In the name
 of God Amen. I John Brown

of Guilford County State of North Carolina being sick and
 weak of body but of perfect and sound mind and memory
 do hereby make constitute, appoint and declare this to be
 my last will and Testament in manner and form following
 viz: It is my will that all my just debts be paid as
 soon as may be after my decease. Item it is my will and
 desire that my Estate be kept together and remain
 undivided for the support and maintenance of my wife
 Father and mother viz Wm and Mary Bennett until my
 son Wm arrive to the age of Twenty one years Item I give to my
 son Wm my son Hugh, my Daughter Mary B, my son John
 and my Daughter Catherine an equal proportion of my
 estate real and personal to be allotted to them severally as they
 may arrive to Lawful age or marry
 Item, It is my will and desire that my Est^y abt to each
 of my Children their respective proportions of my Estate as soon
 as may after they shall arrive to Lawful age or marry
 Item It is my will and desire that my Estate be kept
 together and remain for the benefit of my family until
 my youngest surviving Child shall arrive to Lawful
 age or marry except as above devised. Item It is my will
 and desire that should either of my children die before
 they arrive to Lawful age or marry that, that part my
 estate which they would have possessed by this my last
 will and Testament be equally divided amongst the survivors
 or survivor of them. Lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint
 my Friends and Brothers Will Brown Wm Brown Hugh

Brown (Juncan Brown & my beloved wife Ella Brown
 Executors to this my last will and Testament reciting
 all other wills theretofore made by me signed sealed
 and acknowledged in presence of

Rich^d Bennatt

Mary Bennatt

John Bennatt

Edith Bolling

Ammy

John Brown seal

Stephen Glare

In the name of God Amen,
 Stephen Glare of the County of
 Robeson and State of North Carolina

being weak of body but of perfect mind and memory and
 coming to mind that it is once appointed for all men to
 die do make this my last will and Testament in man-
 ner and form following viz. That is to say my soul to God
 and my body to be buried in a decent Christian like manner
 at the discretion of my friends, and my worldly estate
 to be disposed of as follows Item I leave unto my beloved
 wife Mary Glare two hundred and forty two acres of Land
 including the plantation whereon I now live with on horse
 all the plantation utensils, one mulattoe girl named Hannah
 and the old wench Jim all the household furniture Cattle
 and Hogs that is not soon after disposed of during her
 natural life and after her decease the said 242 acres
 of land Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Esther
 Smith and her heirs for ever Item I give and bequeath
 to my daughter Betsey Pittman the one half of a crop
 cut of corn which is between me and her husband Lion
 Pittman - Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Cecilia
 Brett forty seven pounds and five shillings one large
 Chest one hundred and thirty eight acres of land on the
 west side of Glare's Swamp joining Lees and Dougli
 be the same either more or less To her and her heirs
 ever Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary

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Fifty acres of Land situate in said County of Robeson on Peters Lake forty seven pounds Ten shillings in money to her and her heirs for ever Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Mary Little one Cow and Calf to her and her heirs forever - Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Rebecca Glare one hundred and fifty acres of Land situate in the Burnt Lands joining the above 242 acres one mare one Cow and Calf one Bed and Bedstead one glass dish and three plates to her and her heirs forever Item I give and bequeath to my grand son Stephen Glare Philip one Cow and Calf one musket Gun to him and his heirs for ever and one other Gun to my said wife Mary forever and the aforesaid mulattoe girl Hannah to be set free or sold and the money and the money arising therefrom to be equally divided among all my children and this to be at the discretion of my said wife as far as concern the manumission or Bondage of the said girl Hannah and all the remainder of the property but to my said wife that is not heretofore given to be sold after her death and the money arising therefrom to be equally divided among all my children nominating and appointing my wife Mary Executors and James Smith and Jacob Rhoads Executors to this my last will and Testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 12th day of December 1794

Interlined in the 15th line from the top the words (and the old French Jean) previous to its execution signed sealed & delivered in presence of

James Rhodes A Willis
John Correll +

Stephen his Glare (Seal)
mark

Abraham Barnes

In the name of God Amen
I do Abraham Barnes of the State
of North Carolina and Robeson
as being well of body and of perfect mind and memory

do make and ordain this my last will and Testament in manner and form following viz I give bequeath and devise to my son Josiah Barnes all my land lying below the rice field Branch on both sides of the old field Swamp also on hundred acres lying on the Burnt Bud Branch joining Samuel Smiths Land also fifty acres lying on both sides of the old road and near Joseph and John Rackliff Lands 2^d I give bequeath and devise to my son Elias Barnes all my other Lands above said Ricefield Branch on both sides of old field Swamp and elsewhere 3^d and it is my will and desire that all my personal Estate as negroes stock of all kind and all the rest of my moveable property be equally divided between my four children that is to say Josiah Barnes Elias Barnes Penath Willis and Mary Bridgers and I do appoint my son Josiah Barnes and Elias Barnes to be my sole and sole Executors of this my last will and Testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twenty fourth day of January 1794 signed sealed and acknowledged in presence of us

Charles Thompson Jun^r
 Charles Thompson Jun^r
 William T^h Thompson
 Mary ^{mark} Thompson

Abraham Barnes Seal

Jacob Alford

In the name of God Amen
 I Jacob Alford Planter in Robeson
 County being very well in

health and perfect sound in judgment and perfect memory thanks be to God for his mercies knowing the mortality of my body do make and ordain this my last will and Testament that is to say principally and first of all order my just debts to be paid and for the love and affect I have to my beloved wife Mary Alford order to be given her four negroes named Hardy Margaret Allint and Tom

and at her death I am to my youngest son Wiley
and elint. to Lod my son Except the first increase of
her body to relay I order my son Warren have seat
my negroe much I order that my Daughter Charity
have my negroe Wall Safron Except the first Child to my
son Dias I order that my son Dias have my negroe boy
that I order that my son Warren & Elford to have my
negroe fellow Hardy after my wifes death and all right
to my son James Elford after her death I order that
all my Land on Ashpole be given ~~to~~ to my son James
& Elford Except one hundred acres to my son Lion Elford
provided that he pays Lion & Elford for the part of said
Land that he bought of him agreeable to bargain I order
that half the Land that is in the new survey that is
in Traruck name that I have his bond for title be
given to my son Lion & Elford direct from the Name of the
Survey agreeable with his long line to the out side line
of said Survey and that none of these lands be sold to
pay any of my debts that I give to son Lion and James
Elford the Land that I bought of Solomon Molton in
South Carolina the title to be made to my wife I order
that all the Land that belong to the plantation wherein
I now live with all the improvements and the tract of
of Land on the great cllack be sold to pay my debts and
and the young bay horse and the black horse I order
that all my estate be divided betwixt my sons Lod
Dias and Wiley at my wife death Except one bed and
furniture to my Daughter Charity I order that all my
debts be put to the use of paying of my debts I order that my
Executors sell all the property that I have ordered to be
sold at private sale or publick sale as they see fit to put
it to the best advantage of settling of my debts and that
ther shud be a good and lawful right for the Land and
if the property that I have left to be sold and my debts
will not pay my debts I order that equal proportion be take
from Warren Lod Dias and wiles parts let the sum be
made up or they pay the equal part I order that Lion Elford
Warren Elford my sons and Elias Barnes be Executors
To my will signed sealed this 11th day of July 1794

Test Duncan & Esham
Saraann Mrs Dyen
Lion & Elford

(Seal)

Jacob Elford
Mary M Elford
mark

Hardy Inman

In the name of God Amen.
I Hardy Inman of Robeson
County and State of North

Carolina being very sick, and weak in bodily health but of sound sense, and memory thanks be given to almighty God for his mercy. And calling to mind the mortality of my body; I commend my soul into the hands of God who gave it, and my body to the Earth from whence it came, to be entered, in a decent manner hoping to receive the same at the general resurrection, and as for the what worldly goods it hath pleased God to bless me with, I give bequeath and dispose of in the following manner viz. I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Charity Inman the plantation whereon I now live; and fifty acres lying in the Indian Swamp that I entered. During her natural life or widowhood and after her widowhood expires I give one half of said Lands unto William Flowers son of Elizabeth Inman, and the other half to my beloved wife disposal. Also I desire that my negroe woman Jener should labour for my beloved wife and my mother during their lives, and after their death to have her freedom. And one negroe girl named Nanner should labour in like manner for the support of my wife, and mother during their lives, and after their death my will and desire is that the said negroe girl Nanner should belong to Isaac Pope Barfield daughter of Shadrach Barfield and Mary Barfield his wife. Furthermore I give unto my beloved wife Charity all my Hogs, Cattle, Sheep and Horses, but a gray mare excepted, and my will and desire is that my mother should have a sufficient support out of what I give unto my wife, during her life; also after my debts is defrayed I give all my notes, Bonds, and open Accts to my wife, and mother for their support. And I give unto William Flowers son of

and at her death I am to my youngest son Wiley
 and elint. to Lod my son Except the first increase of
 her body to Wiley I order my son Warren have Scot
 my negroe which I order that my Daughter Charity
 have my negroe Wall Safron Except the first Child to my
 son Elias I order that my son Elias have my negroe boy
 that I order that my son Warren & Elford to have my
 negroe fellow Hardy after my wifes death and all right
 to my son James Elford after her death I order that
 all my land on Ashpole be given ~~to~~ to my son James
 Elford Except one hundred acres to my son Lion Elford
 provided that he pays Lion Elford for the part of said
 land that he bought of him agreeable to bargain I order
 that half the land that is in the new survey that is
 in ~~Franklin~~ name that I have his bond for title be
 given to my son Lion Elford direct from the Clerk of the
 Sheriff agreeable with his survey line to the out side line
 of said Survey and that none of these lands be sold to
 pay any of my debts that I give to son Lion and James
 Elford the land that I bought of Solomon Molton in
 South Carolina the title to be made to my wife I order
 that all the land that belong to the plantation whereon
 I now live with all the improvements and the tract of
 of land on the great crotch be sold to pay my debts and
 and the young bay horse and the black horse I order
 that all my estate be divided betwixt my sons Lod
 Elias and Wiley at my wife death Except one bed and
 furniture to my Daughter Charity I order that all my
 debts be put to the use of paying of my debts I order that my
 Executors sell all the property that I have ordered to be
 sold at private sale or publick sale as they see fit to put
 it to the best advantage of settling of my debts and that
 there be a good and lawful receipt for the land and
 if the property that I have left to be sold and my debts
 will not pay my debts I order that equal proportion be taken
 from Warren, Lod, Elias and Wileys parts let the sum be
 made up or they pay the equal part I order that Lion Elford
 Warren Elford my sons and Elias Barnes be Executors
 to my will signed sealed this 11th day of July 1794

Test Duncan & Eschorn
 Saraann M^r Eschorn
 Lion Elford

(Seal)

Jacob Elford
 Mary M^r Elford
 Mary M^r Elford

Hardy Inman

In the name of God, Amen.
I Hardy Inman of Robeson
County and State of North

Carolina being over-sick, and weak in bodily health but of sound senses, and memory thanks be given to almighty God, for his mercy, and calling to mind the mortality of my body; I recommend my soul into the hands of God, who gave it, and my body to the Earth from whence it came, to be entred, in a decent manner hoping to receive the same at the general resurrection, and as for the what worldly goods, it hath pleased God to bless me with, I give bequeath and dispose of in the following manner viz I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Charity Inman the plantation whereon I now live; and fifty acres lying in the Indian Swamp that I entered, during her natural life or widowhood and after her widowhood Expires I give one half of said Lands unto William Flowers son of Elizabeth Inman, and the other half to my beloved wife's disposal, Also I desire that my negroe woman Jener should labour for my beloved wife and my mother during their lives, and after their death to have her freedom. And one negroe girl named Namer should labour in like manner for the support of my wife, and mother during their lives, and after their death my will and desire is that the said negroe girl Namer should belong to Peter Pope Barfield daughter of Shadrach Barfield and Mary Barfield his wife. Furthermore I give unto my beloved wife Charity all my Hogs, Cattle, Sheep and Horses, but a gray mare Excepted, and my will and desire is that my mother should have a sufficient support out of what I give unto my wife, during her life; also after my death is defrased I give all my notes, Bonds, and open Accts to my wife, and mother for their support. And I give unto William Flowers son of

Elizabeth Inman One young grey mare
 Item I give unto my sister Mary Barfield wife of
 Shadrach Barfield and her children Betsey, Fanny
 Phebe, Maria, the sum of Twenty five pounds each to be
 Equally divided, amongst them Item I give unto my
 dear one Mother Bed and Furniture and further more
 I give unto my beloved wife all the household furniture, and
 working Tools and all my Cloaths, and all the residue
 of my Estate that is not yet mentioned to the support of
 my wife and mother, also I appoint Henry Pope, William
 Ashley and John Flowers my Executors to this my last
 will and Testament, and I do hereby order this and no
 other to be my last will and Testament, in witness whereunto
 I have set my hand and seal this first day of November
 1794 signed sealed and declared to be the last
 will and Testament of the subscriber in presence of us
 Just Francis L. Haynes
 Just Wight Leggett
 Hardy Inman (Seal)

Ralph Regan

In the name of God Amen
 I Ralph Regan of the County
 Robeson and State of North Carolina

Slaves being very sick and weak of body but of perfect
 mind and memory Thanks be given unto God: Calling
 unto mind the mortality of my body and knowing
 that it is appointed for all men once to die do make and
 ordain this my last will and Testament that is to say
 principally and first of all I give and recommend my
 soul into the hands of Almighty God that gave it and
 my body I recommend to the Earth to be buried in a decent
 Christian Burial at the direction of my Executors nothing
 doubting but at the general resurrection to receive the same
 again by the mighty power of God and as touching such
 worldly estate wherewith it has pleased God to bless me

Lamuel Britt

In the name of God Amen
 I Lamuel Britt being in
 perfect sence and memory
 do make this my last will and Testament in manner
 and form following (To wit) I purpouse I give unto
 my son Alexander Britt one hundred and Twenty
 five Acres of Land lying on Hog Swamp joining
 Hulmores lower line with the houses and every thing
 belonging to the said land to him and to his heirs for
 ever after his mothers widowhood. Item I give unto
 my son Nathan Britt one hundred acres of Land joining
 off Hulmores back line and the great Bay land I give unto
 him twenty five acres of Land partly concluding a field
 called Edwards field lying on a Branch that runs
 from the great Bay to Hog Swamp through my orchard
 it being twenty five acres taken from the land above
 given to Alexander Britt to make a equal division betwixt
 them. Item I give unto my Daughter Nancy Britt one
 hundred acres of Land lying East side old field Swamp
 joining James & Thomas land to her and her heirs forever
 Item I give to William Britt one heifer a son of Samuel
 Britts to him and his heirs for ever. Item I give unto my wife
 Mary Britt Eleven head of Cattle and two horses and
 what Hogs I possess and all the remainder of my Estate
 of what nature or kind soever to her during her widow
 hood after her widowhood I give my son Alexander
 one horse called Tray and I give unto my son Nathan
 Britt one horse called Gumpfur and I give Charity Britt
 one Bed and I give my Daughter Nancy Britt one Bed
 and my son Nathan Britt one Bed Item and I give
 Alexander Britt one Bed after his mothers death and
 I give my Daughters Belsey and Polly Britt each them one
 Cow and Calf and I desire the remainder of my Estate to be
 divided my wife Mary Britts widowhood equally amon
 get my Children in proportion to what I have given them

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I do appoint my son Samuel Britt Executor to this
 my last will and Testament and do revoke all wills
 by me heretofore made in witness whereof I have hereunto
 set my hand and affixed my seal this 25th day
 of October 1795 signed sealed published and declar-
 ed in presence of

J. Lee
 Barnabas Lamb
 Capron + Haran
 mark

his
 Samuel Britt
 mark

Archibell Byrd

In the name of God Amen. I
 Archibell Byrd of the State
 of North Carolina and County
 of Lenoir, being sick in body but of perfect mind and sound
 memory thanks be given to God for it, therefore Calling to
 mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is
 appointed ~~over~~ for all men once to die do this nineteenth
 day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand
 seven hundred and ninety five make and ordain this my
 last will and Testament that is to say principally and
 first of all I give and recommend my soul into the hands
 of God that gave it and my body I recommend to the
 earth to be buried in decent ~~manner~~ Christian Burial
 at the discretion of my Executors nothing doubting but at
 the general resurrection I shall receive the same by the
 mighty power of God that gave it and as touching my
 worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless
 me with herein this life I give devise and dispose of the
 same in manner and form as follows To wit -
 First My will is that all my just debts together with my
 funeral expenses be due and punctually paid
 Secondly I give and bequeath to my Loving wife Esther
 Byrd one hor Bridle and saddle and feather Bed
 and furniture, woolen wheel one Linnen wheel one
 pair of Car my pewter basin and forks all my wooden

more one pot one fluke plow one hoe and axe
 to her and her heirs forever. Thirdly, I leave all the
 rest of my property to be sold and publick vendue and
 the money arising therefrom I give to my son John
 Byrd to be put Down to Interest till the coming of age
 I also give him all the money due me from ~~any~~ ^{any} person
 or persons except one third of the money that is got
 from Jared Croen. I leave to my wife Esther Byrd
 when collected - Fourthly, if my son John Byrd
 dies without a lawful heir, I leave one hundred pound
 to Olive Byrd Children to be equally divided betw
 een them all and all the rest of my property that
 I have give him to be equally divided between all my
 Brothers and sisters that is then living, to them and
 their heirs forever. Fifthly, I appoint my Brother
 Samuel Byrd Guardian for my son John Byrd to
 take him and raise him and take the money that
 belongs to him into his hands and put it to interest
 and rent out my land and take my negroe Sophia
 and her child and keep them to work and maintain
 my son till he comes to the age of twenty one years
 then to deliver the negroe and all her increase
 to my son John Byrd all the money that he has
 then in my hands that belongs to my son John Byrd
 Sixthly, I constitute and appoint my loving Brother
 Samuel Byrd and Joel Garrison my sole Executors
 of this my last will and Testament and I do hereby
 utterly disallow, disannul and revoke all other former
 wills or bequests heretofore made by me ratifying and
 confirming this and no other to be and remain
 my last will and Testament in witness whereof I the
 said Archibell Byrd have hereunto set my hand and
 seal the day and year first above written signed sealed
 and delivered & published pronounced and declared
 in presence of us

Richard Byrd +
 James Byrd
 Thomas Garrison

Archibell Byrd Seal

Ann Regan

In the name of God Amen
 I Ann Regan of Robeson County
 being weak of body but of
 perfect mind and memory, (Blessed be God) do this twenty
 second day of September in the year of our Lord one
 thousand seven hundred and ninety six make and
 publish this my last will and Testament, in manner
 following, that is to say, First I give and bequeath
 unto my son Richard Regan the sum of five pounds
 to be paid out of my Estate, I also give my Grand Daugh-
 ter Olive Powers one Cow and Calf, I also give unto my
 grand Daughter Sarah Regan four pounds to be paid in
 money or Cattle, I also give my Grand Daughter Ann
 Regan four pounds to be paid in money or Cattle
 I give my Grand Daughter Martha Regan four pounds
 to be paid in Cattle or money I also give to my Grand
 Daughter Olivia Exell four pounds to be paid in Cattle
 or Cash, I give unto my Grand Daughter Sarah Hawthorn
 Four pounds to be paid in Cattle or Cash, I give my Grand
 Daughter Nancy Regan four pounds to be paid in Cattle
 or Cash, I also give my Grand Daughter Mary Regan
 four pounds to be paid in Cattle or Cash, I also give to my
 Grand Daughter Nancy Andrews all my wearing clothes
 and a piece of black yarn cloth, I give unto my Grand
 Daughter Elizabeth Regan my new Cloke and one Calico
 Gown, I also give my Grand Daughter Nancy Andrews
 Daughter of Joseph and Nancy Andrews my best better
 Bed four sheets one bolster and two pillows, I also give
 my Grand son Isaac Regan one Cow and Calf
 I also give unto my three Grand sons William Regan
 John Regan and Ralph Regan one Cow and Calf
 each to be paid out of my Estate, I give unto my son John
 Regan all the rest of my stock and property of all
 sorts whatdoever, and it is my will and desire that
 my negro woman Lucy be set at her liberty and
 have her freedom, and I hereby make and ordain my
 son John Regan and my Grand son William Regan
 Executors to this my last will and Testament, in witness
 whereof the said Ann Regan, have to this my last

will and Testament, set my hand and seal
the day and Year above written, signed sealed,
published and declared by the said John Regan
Testator as her last will and Testament, in the presence
of us, who were present at the time of signing and
and sealing of these presents

John Gaint
Olevid Gaint
mark

John Regan
mark

John Saman

In the name of God Amen
State of North Carolina
Robeson County

In the name of God Amen. I John Saman being weak
in body of sound memory blessed be almighty God
for his mercy I do in the first place recommend my
Soul to almighty God and my body to the dust &c
and do divide my property among my dear wife
and children as follows viz, I bequeath each of my
children a Cow and Calf, I bequeath each of my
children a Cow and Calf, I bequeath my son only a year
old of the cattle and beloved wife the remaining part
of the cattle at her own disposal together with one hundred
and ten acres between her and my son Daniel and
also the young black horse and my wife the bay
mare in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand
and seal this 21st of October 1796 sealed signed
published and declared in presence of

John Paterson
Daniel Conely

John Saman
mark

I do appoint my son
his dook executor of
this my last will and Testament

Olive Cain

In the name of God Amen.

I Olive Cain of the County of
Robeson being of sound and
perfect mind and memory (Blessed be God do this second
day of March in the year of our Lord one Thousand seven
hundred and ninety seven make and publish this
my last will and Testament in manner and form
following. that is to say First I give and bequeath unto
my Grand Daughter Olive Cain one pair Silver shoe
Buckles, one pair silver shoe Buttons, one small red Trunk
Secondly I give unto my Grand son Samuel Cain so.
of James Cain one Silver Breast Buckle and one small
China Snuff Box, Thirdly I leave all the remainder of my
Estate to be equally divided between my two sons
John Cain and James Cain after paying my debts and
funeral expenses, And I do hereby make and ordain my
sons John and James Cain Executors to this my last will
and Testament, in witness whereof I the said Olive Cain
have to this my last will and Testament set my hand
and seal the day and year above written signed, sealed,
published, and pronounced, and declared by the said
Olive Cain Testator as her last will and Testament in the
presence of us who were present at the time of signing
and sealing thereof

Wm Regan

John Regan

Olive ^{her} Cain Seal
mark

And it is also my desire that William Bazley and
Jacob Blount sh^d value and divide my Estate
after my death

Archibald Little

In the name of God Amen
I Archibald Little son of the
County of Robeson and

State of North Carolina being weak in body, but of
perfect mind and memory do make this my last will
and testament in manner and form following, that is
to say principally and first of all, I design and give
up my soul to the hands of Almighty God who first
gave it and my body to the dust from whence it was first
taken, hoping and believing that at the great and general
resurrection both my soul and body will joyfully
meet, and be again reunited by the power of Almighty
God, and put in full possession of that glorious inheritance
which the angels of light doth now enjoy, as for my
worldly goods, I order that my plantation be sold
and the price of it equally divided between my wife
and daughter Katharine, and likewise that my cattle,
sheep, Hogs and Horses be equally divided between them
and likewise that my daughter Katharine shall have
twenty pounds or the value thereof over and above her
share to be hers and her heirs forever after my decease,
in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and
seal this nineteenth day of September one thousand seven
hundred and 97. Signed sealed published and declared
in the presence of

John Smith

Nicholas McLachlan X

Arch. Little (Seal)

Joseph Fort

In the name of God Amen I
Joseph Fort of Robeson County
State of North Carolina being in

perfect mind and memory do make this my last will & testament
in manner and form following viz. I give and bequeath
unto my daughter Elizabeth twenty shilling good & lawful money of this State

them I give and bequeath unto my daughter Anne a negro fellow
named Toney ^{name} a negro woman named Hannah, and a negro
girl named Dollas, with twenty head of cattle the whole being
in her possession several years ago. I also give and bequeath
unto my grandson Abraham and a negro boy named Britton
him. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Fanny a negro
fellow named Will and a piece or parcel of Land joining
where she now lives with twenty head of cattle given her
in possession several years ago. I also give and bequeath unto
my grandson Eliza Haint a negro boy named Daniel. -
When I give and bequeath unto my son John a negro woman
named Pate with all her increase also the plantation he now
lives upon with all the stock of cattle upon said plantation
also all the lands belonging to me on the east side of the ^{or part} ~~republican~~ swamp
except that piece given to Fanny. Then I give and bequeath
unto my son James the plantation on the west side of the
said swamp and the mill plantation ^{on prairie swamp} with all the land belong-
ing to me on the west side of the said swamp also all the stock he
now possesses also a negro named Grace and a negro
woman named ~~Jess~~ ^{with} all her increase ^{including} one girl
named patience also a negro fellow named Lame and my
blacksmiths tools with my house hold furniture. Then I
give and bequeath to my daughter Catherine an old negro
fellow named Jacob, also a negro boy named Jacob being
a son of old Jacob, also a negro woman named Pate
and her son Lemmy also a negro girl named patience
and her increase also the stock of cattle now in her possession.
I give and bequeath unto my grandson Elias Fort Benson a
negro girl named Jude her increase if any to be disposed of
as my daughter Catherine and her husband shall see most
fitting that is that the increase of said negro girl shall be
entirely at the disposal of the said Elias Fort Benson's father or
mother. Then I give and bequeath unto my grandson
^{Muse} Humphrey a negro fellow named Peter. Then I give and
bequeath unto my grandson ^{Muse} James a negro fellow named Ben.
Then I give and bequeath to my grandson ^{Muse} Thomas a negro
boy named Ned. Then I give and bequeath unto my grand-
son ^{Muse} Joseph a negro woman named Fibe and a girl named
Silvia with their increase if any. - I give and bequeath
unto my grandson ^{Muse} Elias a negro woman named Minnie
with ^{her} increase if any, with this exception that my grandson
James ^{Muse} shall own and possess her and child.
I hereby constitute and ordain my son John Fort and

James Fort and also my Son-in-law Hugh Brown to
be Joint Executors of this my last will and testament
In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and
seal this ~~Eighth~~ ^{Eight} July in the year of our Lord
One thousand seven hundred and ninety seven.

signed sealed and
declared in presence of
Nell Bruce

Hugh Campbell

Hugh Brown

Nell Bruce Jux. &

James Fort



James Brown

In the name of God, Amen
I James Brown of Robeson
County and State of North

Carolina, planter, being in a sickly and weak state
of Body, but of perfect mind memory do hereby ordain
and declare this my last will and Testament, in
manner and form following, Viz I give and bequeath
unto my beloved Sisters, Catharine and Abby Brown
seven and five acres of Land including the improve-
ments thereon to live with all woods and waters and
all other appurtenances and privileges unto the said
land belonging or appertaining with all other goods and
chattels to me belonging, the whole I give and bequeath
to the said Catharine and Abby in equal proportions
I hereby constitute and appoint Margaret McTaggart
my sister sole Executrix of this my last will and
Testament, witness whereof I have hereunto set my
hand and seal this 29th day of Decr 1797 signed
sealed and declared in presence of

Nell Bruce
Donald McKeith
Colin McKeith
mark

James Brown
his J. Brown (seal)
mark

Peter MacArthur

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In the name of God Amen
I Peter MacArthur of the State

of North Carolina and Robeson County planter being weak of body but of perfect mind and memory thank be given to God Calling into mind the mortality of my body; and knowing, that it is appointed for all men once to die, I do make and Ordain this my last will and Testament, that is to say; principally and first of all, I give and recommend my soul in to the hand of almighty God that gave it and my body I recommend to the earth to be buried in a decent Christian Burial, nothing doubting but at the general resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God, and as touching such worldly Estate wherewith it has pleased God to bless me in this life, I give demise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form; First I give and bequeath to my Grand Child Peter MacArthur Junior the plantation that I now live on with eighty acres East of Piggy Branch, and Twenty acres I give to my dutiful son John MacArthur including said Branch Next also I give and bequeath to the said John MacArthur all the rest of my property goods and Chattels only I give to my well beloved Daughter Nancyella Thier one Shilling sterling also to my Daughter Jee MacArthur one Shilling sterling money; I give to my Grand Child Paddy MacArthur one Cor also to my Grand Child Phill MacArthur one Cor also to Peter and Puncan MacArthur one piece better also to I give to my grand child John MacArthur one Cor. and calf. Confirming this to be my last will and Testament and no other in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this Twenty Eighth of December one Thousand seven hundred and ninety eight signed sealed published pronounced and declared by the said Peter MacArthur his last will and Testament in the presence us who in his presence and in the presence of each other have here to subscribed our names

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John MacPhaul
Peter MacArthur
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