

which is not yet named and should one or more of them die with-
 out leaving I have their dividend together with what has been allotted
 to them be equally divided amongst the survivors of them their heirs
 & assigns forever. It is further my particular wish and desire
 that every reasonable forbearance & indulgence be extended by my
 executor & Legatee to the old and infirm negroes that have been
 worn out in my service and also to Willis and in case
 my son Richard C Rhodes should die without leaving I have
 in that case it is my particular desire that Willis (for his por-
 tion to me) should be liberated and finally discharged from
 further slavery or bondage - I hereby revoking and annulling all
 and every former will or testament by me made or by my order
 or directions - I hereby ordain name constitute and appoint
 my friends Angus Gilechrist Esquire and my son Richard C
 Rhodes Executors of this my last will and testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and
 seal the seventeenth day 17th of Feb^y in the year of our Lord
 1822.

J. Rhodes (seal)

State of North Carolina

Robeson County } November term 1824

John Ward being duly sworn states that the paper
 instrument of writing was deposited with him for safe kee-
 ping by Jacob Rhodes as his last will and testament several
 months before his decease and that it is the true and entire
 whole of the said will. Sworn to in open court 25th
 November 1824

John Ward

Rich^d C. Rhodes

State of North Carolina } November term 1824. Term 1
 Robeson County } Charles Moore "Will Deice"

Esquires being duly sworn saith that they have been
 acquainted with the hand writing of Jacob Rhodes and that
 this instrument of writing now offered for probate is the true
 and testament of the said Jacob Rhodes dated the 17th
 of February 1822 they believe is entirely in the hand wri-
 ting of the said Jacob Rhodes and subscribed by him, Sworn
 and subscribed before me the 25th November 1824 in open court

Rich^d C. Rhodes

Esquire

Ken Black

Will Deice

Robeson County } November term 1824
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 Kenneth Black }
 signed to }
 R. C. Rhodes }

Jesse Harrell

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

I Jesse Harrell of the State and County aforesaid being sick & weak in body but of perfect and sound mind and memory do make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following (viz) I will and Ordain that all my estate of every description be kept together under the care and Superintendence of my Executors for the use and support of my wife and her lone Doine during her life or Widowhood - I will that all my said Estate real and personal (after the death or intermarriage of my wife) shall descend to my son David and to his heirs forever with the following exceptions that is after all my just debts and funeral charges of myself and wife if she dies my widows are paid and defrayed and also the following legacies paid (viz.) To my son Hozediah one dollar to my son Jesse one dollar to my son Stephen one dollar to my Daughter Dancella one dollar to my daughter Elizabeth One dollar to the heirs of my late daughter Sarah One dollar I will and appoint my beloved wife Olive and my beloved brother Phiba Harrell Joint Executors of this my last will and Testament annulling all other Wills made by me In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal the 11th day of April 1810.

Signed sealed & declared

in presence of
N. McAlpin +
William Spilke
James Gunn

Jesse Harrell

J. Treawick

Thursday 22nd of January 1801 being at the house of Bethuel Treawick Robeson County he said Treawick appearing to us about to depart this life called upon us to bear him witness that his will was respecting what property God had blessed him with in this life he wanted his wife and her children have all the lands belonging to the plantation which he owned on excepting that tract where the widow Sharp was, Goodman & George to have all the land in the State that was on the other side of life are all called the Terry Henry to have the meeting house place and the land on the side of little Du River including his plantation to be holden equally by all his sons all the rest of the land his son William Shoalson and as debt he

swore Gibson he had money nearly sufficient in the house
to pay the first payment and the debt that was due him
then two boys namely Goodman and George must have too
pay for the land and the rest of his property he wanted
equally divided by the Banns and Bethans and to have
nothing sold.

Leon Alford

Mary ^{his} P. Currie
mark

State of North Carolina

Robeson County

This day came before me James Leide
one of the Justices of the peace for said County Leon Alford
and Mary Currie and made oath that the words contained
in the within Subscribed Will they heard spoke and did as he
within named & lived & died two hours before he departed
this life and appeared to be in his perfect senses.

Sworn to before me this 24th Jan^y 1801.

at I place of

Leon Alford

Mary ^{his} Currie
mark

Marion Watson

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

I Marion Watson of the aforesaid County and State being of
sound mind and ^{perfect} memory do make, ordain and constitute
this my last will and testament in manner and form fol-
lowing, that is to say, First I order that all my just debts
shall be paid and that my body be decently buried at the
discretion of my executors hereafter mentioned and as to
my worldly affairs I distribute in manner and for following
I give and bequeath to my beloved Sister Margaret Watson
my negro woman Flossie with her son George during her
lifetime and after her death they shall with their issues
be returned to my two brothers Alex^r Watson and James
Watson or their heirs, I give and bequeath to my brother
John twenty five cents I give and bequeath to my sister
Elizabeth Wilkerson twenty five cents likewise. I choose
nominate and appoint Alex^r Watson my beloved brother
executor to my last will and testament. In witness
whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my
seal this December 11th 1820.

at G. Leland

at G. Leland

Marion ^{his} Watson
mark

Cannon Cumber

In the name of God Amen I Cannon Cumber
of the County of Robeson & State of North
Carolina planter being Weak in body but
of Perfect mind and memory thanks be to God Calling to mind the
mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men
once to die: do make and publish 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 like
manner at the discretion of my Executors nothing doubting but at
the general resurrection I shall receive the same again by the
Almighty 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 man-
ner and form: First I give and bequeath to my daughter
Mary Ann the widow of John Cumber all the tract of land
whereon she now lives estimated at two hundred acres
and including the two plantations thereon to her during
her widowhood & natural life and then to be equally
divided between the whole of my children and their heirs
forever. Secondly I give over and bequeath to my Son
Stephen Cumber the plantation whereon I now live together
with all my stock of cattle Hogs and farming utensils
and every other article of property belonging to the said plantation
containing by estimation two hundred and twenty five acres of land
being two surveys to him and his heirs forever. Thirdly I give
devise and bequeath to my Son Gibbon ten shillings to be paid
out of my estate. Fourthly I give devise and bequeath to my
Son Aaron ten shillings to be paid out of my estate, Also
to Elisha Elijah & Solomon my Sons each ten shillings to be
paid out of my estate: and lastly I constitute and appoint
by beloved Sons Gibbon and Moses to the latter of whom I bequeath
ten shillings the sole executor 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 in any way before named written and bequeathed add-
ing 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 19th day of March in the year of
our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred & Seventy-two.

Sealed Signed published and declared to be my last will
& testament of Cannon Cumber
in presence of
R. B. Hunting
Willmice
John Brown

Cannon Cumber

Charles Council

August 4th 1819

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In the name of God amen, I Charles Council
son of Robeson County, being weak in body
but of sound mind and memory,

I give be God doth make this my last will and testament
I give to my beloved wife Honor Council my plantation which
was her own in natural life and then to my daughter
Thiana Council and Isabella Council to be equally divided
between them in witness my hand

Charles Council
madeLewis Barry?
Amgachy?

August term 1819. The within will was proved in open
court by the oath of Amgachy and ordered to be registered

Nicholas Buntings

Murdoch Murphy

In the name of God amen I Murdoch
Murphy knowing the uncertainty of life
and the certainty of death do make

my last will and testament as follows viz. I will and bequeath
to my beloved wife Janet Murphy my plantation and possession
of Lands during her lifetime and after her death to be equally
divided between my three sons Archibald, Will and John
Murphy. Secondly I leave my stock of all kinds for the benefit
and support of my wife and family together with my house-
hold furniture and farming utensils. Thirdly I give and
bequeath to my beloved daughters Betty, Catharine & Eddy
Murphy the sum of forty dollars each to be made up
and paid to them by my three sons aforesaid whensoever
they have the family, and after the said sum are paid
the balance to be equally divided between my three sons
Signed and dated this the 2nd of November 1820

In presence of us

+ Will Brown

G. Murphy

Murdoch Murphy

I nominate and appoint Gilbert McMillan and Mur-
dock Murphy Executors to this my last will and testament

Gilbert McMillan qualified

Mary McLauchlin

In the name of God Amen I Mary McLauchlin of the County of Robeson and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory do here make my last will and testament. 1821. First I give unto my daughter Nelly three beds with their furniture also I give unto my daughter Catharine one dollar. Then I give unto my daughter Nelly all my household furniture. Then I give unto Nelly all my stock of sheep, also I give unto my daughter Nelly the plantation on which I live including two hundred acres of Land, provided that all my debts will first be paid out of the above property. —

I appoint Arch^d Smith Just. and John McPate Executors to this my last will and testament. —

Signed sealed and delivered

in presence of. — 2nd day 1821.

Wit Arch^d Buie

Wit Randal Currie

Wit John McPate x

Mary McLauchlin
mark

Charles Oxendine

In the name of God amen
the twentieth of September 1808

I Charles Oxendine of Robeson County and State of N. Carolina being sick of body but of good and perfect memory calling to mind the uncertain state of this transitory life and that all flesh must yield to death at last do make constitute & ordain this my last will and testament in manner & form following reciting & annulling by these presents all & every testament & testaments, Will & Wills, heretofore by me made & declared either by word or writing & this only is to be taken for my last will and testament & no other & first I give & commit my soul into the hands of almighty God and now for settling my temporal estate & such goods & chattels & debts as I has pleased God to bestow upon me I do order give and bestow the same in the manner & form following 1808. 1st I will that all those debts and dues which I owe in right to any person whatever shall be paid truly within convenient time after my decease by my Executors hereinafter named. Then I give and bequeath to my beloved son David Oxendine one hundred and fifty acres of Land containing the plantation whereon I now live one rifle gun also the working tools on the plantation, I give and bequeath to my wife beloved son Aaron Oxendine two hundred

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area of Land containing the grist mill above my plantation
 Item I devise my house hold furniture and one bay horse
 called buck to be equally divided among my four daughters
 Nancy Betty Catharine & Sarah. Item my cattle and hogs I
 want equally divided among my children Benjamin John
 Charles Lipe Mose Aaron David Nancy Betty Mary Catharine
 & Sarah. Witness my hand this 4th September 1808 I appoint
 my son Henry & John executors my executors

Test at Hillsville #

Charles Greenhouse
 mark

Thomas Etheridge

I know all men by these presents that
 I Thomas Etheridge of the State of North
 Carolina Robeson County have made
 and declared my last will and testament in writing being
 date the 26th day of March one thousand seven hundred and
 ninety nine I the said Thomas Etheridge by this present
 Codicil do ratify and confirm my 1st last will and
 testament, and do further give and bequeath unto
 my loving cousin Joshua Coy. ~~two hundred dollars~~
 to be paid unto him the Joshua Coy by my executors
 out of my estate and my will and meaning my last
 will and testament and that all things therein written
 and contained be faithfully and truly performed as
 as fully and amply in every respect as if the same
 were so declared and set down in my said last
 will and testament, —

Wth my hand this 26th day of March 1799.

Signed in the presence of us

Wm Hagerback Thompson &

Mary Thompson

Thomas Etheridge

The Executors Elias Barnes

Wm Thompson

Will Brown

In the name of God amen I
Will Brown senr of the county of
Robeson and State of North Carolina being of sound and perfect
mind & memory (blessed be God) do this the twenty seventh day
of December in the year of our Lord One thousand Eight hun-
-dred and fifteen make & publish this my last will and tes-
-tament in manner following that is to say. First I give
& bequeath unto my beloved son Will, the plantation wherein I
now live & all the lands adjoining it with their improvements
The land lie between John Branch and the Raft Swamp con-
-taining in all seven hundred and fifteen acres: I also give &
bequeath unto him my negro fellow Jim with all the money
remaining in the house: I also give and bequeath unto
him my stock of horses, hogs, sheep & Cattle with all my stuff-
farming utensils and tools household furniture and every other
article with every improvement. I give and bequeath unto
my beloved son Duncan the plantation on which he is now
living containing two hundred acres of Land lying on the South
Side of McPhaul's mill Swamp below Daniel McNeill: I also
give and bequeath unto him my negro woman Bet with all her
increase after my death to be possessed by him during his
life after his death I will that she and her issue (if any)
be equally divided among his children: Unto my beloved
son John I give and bequeath my negro boy Otte -
Unto my beloved son Peter I give and bequeath my negro
boy Joe; Unto my beloved son Archibald I give and
bequeath the negro boy Tom now in his possession & for whom
I have never given a Bill of Sale: Unto my beloved grandson
Will Washington the child of my son Daniel (decd) I give and
bequeath my negro boy Cuff. Unto my beloved daughter Mary
I give and bequeath my negro woman Moll. Unto my beloved
daughter Isabel I give and bequeath my negro girl Chaney
during her lifetime only; Should Chaney have children I
will the first child to my daughter Mary; the next succeeding
children of Chaney I will to the heirs of my daughter Isabel by
John Currie untill each of them shall have one share after
which I will that she (Chaney) and her remaining children shall
the have any be equally divided amongst the heirs of Daniel
Johnson decd. I further direct by beloved son Will executor of
this my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have
set my hand and seal the day and year above written.

Original sealed published and recorded in the presence of us who
were present at the time of signing and sealing of this the

last will and testament of Will Brown dec'd

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Blourie +
John McPhaul
Will McPhaul

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his
Will + Brown seal
mark

Hobson County February term 1819
The due execution of this will was proved in open Court
by the oath of Randal Currie and ordered to be recorded
J McQueen Secy

Peter Mac Millan

In the name of God Amen. I
Peter McMillan of the State of
North Carolina and County of Robeson being of a perfect sound
mind and memory do hereby give for it: do this 9th day of
October in the year of our Lord Eighteen hundred and twenty
make and constitute this my last will and testament in the follo
wing manner viz: my land lying between the big middle
little middle branch I bequeath to my heir should I be
blest with one if not I bequeath the same land to my
loving brother Duncan McMillan & John McMillan to be
equally divided between them. My negro boy Maclin I
bequeath to my loving wife Mary McMillan for lifetime shou
ld she not marry again should she marry again I bequeath
half the value of said negro Maclin to her and the other
half to my heir if any and if no heir I bequeath the latter
to my dear Mother to wife and do with it at her discretion
and the claim I have in Chancery should there be one small
negro I bequeath to my wife Mary and the rest to my heir if
one if not I bequeath what I intended for my heir to all my
brothers & sisters equally viz. Duncan John Eddy Charles Cook
My boy Billy I desire to be sold to pay such debts as may be
forward against my estate and my turning tools likewise
be sold and put to the same purpose if required. I do
nominate and ordain my worthy friends John Gilchrist Esq
& Randal Currie Executors to this the last will of the testator
Peter McMillan the day and year above written Signed Sealed
published and declared in the presence of us J McMillan &

Wm A McEachen
John McPhaul +
J McKay

Robeson County November term 1819

The due
oath

The within will was proved in open Court &
ordered to be recorded

Publick Burying Co

Abraham Daugherty

In the name of God amen I
Abraham Daugherty of Robeson County

being very sick and weak in or in perfect health of body but
or and of perfect mind and memory thanks be given unto
God calling unto my the mortality of my body and knowing that
it is appointed for all men once to die do make and declare
this my last will and testament that is to say principally and
first of all I give and recommend my soul unto the hands of
Almighty God that gave it and my body I recommend to the earth
to be buried in decent Christian burial at the direction of
my Executors nothing doubting but at the general resurrection I
shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God
and touching such worldly estate wherewith I 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 &
bequeath to my wife Mary Daugherty my dearly beloved wife the sum
of fifty dollars of good and lawful money and her bed &
furniture I give and bequeath to my son John Daugherty
One hundred dollars of good and lawful money and his bed
and furniture and to be left in the hands of the Executors
I give and bequeath to my Daughter Sarah Smith my
feather bed and furniture, I give and bequeath to her
son Seth one heifer, And I leave all my Property to be
sold one twelve month credit and after my wife & John
Daugherty is paid and then the net equal divide among all
my children: Appointing John Smith Executor saying and
confirming this and no other to be my last will and testament
in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the
18th day of October one thousand eight hundred & twenty.

Agreed sealed in presence of us

Isaac ^{my} Smith +
James Smith

his
Abraham x Daugherty

Robeson County May 24th 1824

Then was the within will moved in open Court by the
 oath of Isaac Smith and ordered to be recorded.

Rich^d H. Bunting Clk

under seal

In the name of God amen I Charles
Marble of the County of Robeson being

of sound and perfect mind and memory ble' be god do this
twenty fourth day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand
eight hundred and twenty two

my last will and testament in manner following that is to say:
 Just I give and bequeath unto my son Sam William Cardie John
 James & Elias Cardie each one dollar to my three daughters
 Elizabeth Moore Betsey Humphrey and Mary Cardie and to
 the heirs of my daughter Catharine Humphrey each one dollar,
 the whole of the rest of my estate both real and personal
 unto my beloved wife Elizabeth Cardie to have and to
 hold her lifetime and at her death to be disposed of
 as she sees proper and I hereby make and ordain
 my son Sam William Cardie executor of this my last will and
 testament In witness whereof I the said Sanders Cardie
 have to this my last will and testament set my hand
 and seal the day and year above written

in
 Sanders Cardie *Ed*
 make

Signed sealed published and declared by the said
 Sanders Cardie the testator as the last will & testament
 in the presence of us who were present at the time of
 signing and sealing thereof.

Abraham Davies
 Thomas Went &

Robert Upton

In the name of God amen I
 Robert Upton of the County of
 Robeson and State of North Carolina

being sick and weak of body but of perfect mind
 and memory do make and ordain this my last will
 and testament in the manner and form following.

Item I lend to my beloved wife Anna the use of my
 plantation with all the lands belonging to me together with
 all the rest of my property of every description during her
 natural life: - Item at my wife's death it is my will
 and desire that my children John David, Sarah Rachel
 and Anna receive the legacies hereafter mentioned, my
 son John I give two hundred & thirty acres of land to him
 and his heirs forever to my son David I give one cow
 and calf otherwise sixteen dollars also one bedstead
 and furniture to him and his heirs forever to my daughter
 Anna I give five dollars to her & her heirs forever to my
 daughter Rachel I give one cow and calf Bedstead
 and furniture to her and her heirs forever to my
 daughter Sarah I give five dollars to her and her
 heirs forever Item to my above mentioned son John

I give at the death of my wife as above deposed
 nine dollars and one bed bedstead & furniture to her
 his heirs power; then I also give to my above mentioned
 daughter Rachel One hundred and thirty acres of land
 to her and her heirs power; then the remainder of my
 land with the rest of my property at my wife's death I
 give to my children to be equally divided between them
 share & share alike. I hereby appoint my friend James
 Humphrey with my wife anna Executor & Executrix
 to this last will and testament and I do hereby
 desannul revoke & disallow all & every other former
 testaments Wills Legacies bequests and Executors by me
 in any ways before written and herein made ratifying
 & confirming this and no other to be my last will & testament

In Witness whereof set my hand and seal the 14th
 Sept. 1819. Signed sealed pronounced and declared
 by the S^r Robert Upton in 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 —

Charles Pale

Rachel ^{Wife} Humphrey

Sarah & Copeland
 made

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Robert Upton
 made

Hugh Graham

In the name of God Amen
 I Hugh Graham being of sound
 and perfect mind and memory
 before God Do this 10th day of September 1814 make
 publish and declare as my last will & testament in manner
 following (Viz) I give and bequeath to my dear wife
 Mary all my lands and the negro woman Dolly during her
 natural life and half and half the flock of sheep
 and that my son Daniel will support and keep
 her in decent manner as long as she liveth. I give
 and bequeath unto my son Duncan three negro children
 viz Washington Hann & Locke and all the stock of
 black cattle also the horse and the other half of the
 Sheep also three head of horses and One half of the
 household furniture and further should there be any
 more left at my death one half to be Duncan and
 the other half to go to the use of my daughter Flora
 and my wife equally divided between them

I give and bequeath unto my daughter Flora Four negroes on Farm James Lucy and Anna and one half of the furniture: in case of the failure of Flora having any lawful issue the said negroes and their offspring shall become the property of my other lawful heirs & I further give her 2 horses saddle & bridle. I give and bequeath to my Grandchildren Hugh and Susan Jackson one dollar each. I further order the lands and negroes after the death of my wife shall become the property of my son Duncan: and I hereby make and ordain my worthy friends Nathl McAlpin Senr. and James McNeill Esq. my executors to this my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal as my last Will and testament this 10th September 1824.

Angus Graham.

Signed sealed and published

in presence of
John MacAlpin +
Alexander McAlpin

Robeson County November term 1824. Then was the within will proved in open Court by the oath of John MacAlpin and ordered to be registered. (Ruth C. Bunting)

ANGUS BROWN

In the Name of God amen I Angus Brown being weak in body but of sound and perfect mind and memory blessed be almighty God for the same do make and publish this my last and testament in manner and form following that is to say I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Mary all my house hold furniture farming utensils my hogs and cattle except one cow to me sister Mary McGint and also I bequeath to my beloved grandson Angus Brown a sound mare and also possession of the land till sold or divided. I also bequeath all my land to my beloved children to be equally divided amongst them that is to say to my beloved son John and Duncan and my beloved daughter Janet Rebecca Margaret and Polly Except Duncan is to have twice as much as any of the rest: hereby revoking all former wills by me made in writing In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the 28 day May in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight hundred and twenty - Signed sealed and delivered in presence of
Angus Graham + James McNeill
Angus Brown

Mary McCall

In the name God Given I Mary McCall of the County of Robeson and State of North Carolina being weak of body but of sound and disposing mind and memory do make my last Will and testament in manner & form following to Wit: I give and bequeath my negroes Edmona Tilda & Nancy in the following manner that is to say the said negroes are to remain undivided until the last child that may be born for my son Donald McCall by his present wife Margaret shall arrive to the age of sixteen years, until which time they the said negroes and the increase of them are to belong to the whole the said Donald McCall children by his present wife and then to be equally divided among them share and share alike. And my will is that the negroes shall labor for the family jointly until said division shall be made. And if my sister Ann and her husband George Drummond shall come to this State within the period of two years my will is that they or the survivors of them shall have my negro woman Tindah during the lifetime of the longest survivor of them and then to be equally divided between my heirs and should the said George and Ann his wife not come within the time above mentioned then let Tindah be sold and her price equally divided among my heirs. I give to Catharine McQueen wife of Donald McQueen my feather bed if my sister does not come as mentioned above but if she does I give the bed to her and also to my sister I give all my body clothes. I give one blanket each to the wives of Donald McQueen and Eliza the wife of Donald McQueen & Dorothea McQueen. My man I give my son Hugh if my sister comes as above I give her my coat. All my other property after my funeral charges & debts may be equally divided among my heirs. If my sister comes I desire that she may divide all the household goods shall be not made up among my friends that may come to this country with her. My black silk headcloth I give my son Hugh's wife all the yarn and cotton thread I give to my sister if she comes. Signed, published and declared by the testatrix to be her last Will and testament this 10th day of October 1820 in presence of

A. McQueen

J. McQueen

Mary McCall (Seal)
mark

Robeson County August term 1823 then was the will duly proved in open Court by the oath of James McQueen & ordered to be recorded. (R. M. C. Guntling) J. L.

Britton Barnes

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In the name God amen I Britton Barnes
of the County of Robeson being in perfect
sound mind and memory thanks be to Almighty God for the same do
make and publish this to be my last will and testament in the manner
and form following. Item I give and bequeath to my beloved wife
Rachel Barnes after all my last debts are paid all the property I
now possess during her natural life and it is my will and desire
after the decease of my beloved wife that one negro boy named
Ben belong to my daughter Parity also one negro gal by the name
of Sule to belong to my daughter Delila. I give and bequeath
to my daughter Baskey Seally one dollar also I give and be-
queath to my daughter Rachel Daniel one dollar also I give
and bequeath to my daughter Polly one dollar my will & desire
is that my son Kennedy Barnes should have the land and
plantation whereon I now live after the death of my wife
at two hundred and fifty dollars to be redempted out of his
equal part of the property after the death of my wife: All
to my son James Barnes I give and bequeath one
hundred and fifty dollars also I give and bequeath to
son Thomas Barnes one hundred and fifty dollars also I
give and bequeath unto my son Britton Barnes one hundred
and fifty dollars to be redempted out of their equal parts
as above named, also my will and desire is all the property
remaining after the death of my wife Rachel Barnes be
divided among my sons and daughters namely: Thomas, Be
James Barnes Britton Barnes Kennedy Barnes Baskey Bar
Chanty Jones Elizabeth Atkinson. My will and desire is the
my wife and Timothy Griffin be appointed executor
to the my last will and in manner and form follow
witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and
in the presence of the date and year above written

At James Griffin +
Nancy + Daniel
witness

Britton + Barnes
witness

Robeson County February term 1824 Then was this will
proma in Open Court by the oath of James Griffin and
ordered to be recorded

(James Griffin) clerk

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Niel McLean

State of North Carolina Robeson County
 In the name of God Amen, I Niel McLean
 of the State and County aforesaid being weak in body but of
 sound and perfect mind and memory considering the uncertainty
 of this mortal life being of sound mind and memory blessed
 be almighty God for the same do make and publish this my
 my last will and testament in manner and form following
 that is to say First I give and bequeath unto my beloved
 daughter Flory one hundred acres of Land where I now
 live but my wife is to have her lifetime of the land
 or while she remain a widow also I bequeath to my
 daughter Flora one cow and half one brace two sheep
 and to my wife I bequeath one cow and calf & a huffer
 one sow and pigs two sheep and also all my house hold
 furniture and plantation tools during her life or widowhood
 and then to my daughter Flora, and also I bequeath to
 my daughter Abell one dollar and to my other lawful
 heirs one dollar each hereby revoking all former wills
 by me made - In witness whereof I subscribe my hand
 and seal this 13th day of January 1820.

signed and delivered in
 presence of us
 test Abraham Paul
 Angus McCallum

Niel McLean
 mark

Nancy Council

In the name of God Amen
 I Nancy Council of Robeson County
 being of sound and perfect mind
 do hereby make and publish this my last will
 and testament in manner following that is to say, I give & bequeath
 my son William Council, my son-in-law Charles Council and
 my son-in-law John Council and my granddaughter Ann Council
 all my Property that I am possessed or that I may have
 in my possession at my death to be equally divided among
 them and my son-in-law James Gates I leave him one dollar
 to be given him by my executor, and I hereby make and
 ordain my friends William Council, Charles Council and
 John Council executors to this my last will and testament. In
 witness whereof I the said Nancy Council have to this my last
 will and testament set my hand and seal the day & year above written
 signed sealed in the presence of us who were present
 at the time of signing & sealing Whereof
 Lewis Barge John C. Smith Nathaniel Council
 mark

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The earth from whence it came and as for my worldly goods which it has pleased the almighty to bless me with my will is that my just debts first be paid after which I give or rather leave in her hands of my loving wife during her living life all my estate both real and personal until my daughters comes of age then as they come of age my will is that my daughters have all my personal estate that is when the eldest comes of age whenever she is amind that her part be allotted off agreeable to what the property then is and so on as they come of age - Item I give and bequeath to my sons all my lands to be divided equally between them as they come of age if required by them - I also name & appoint my loving friends William Stulins and John Ashby my Executors to this my last Will & Testament.

In presence of J. Lee +
 Wm. Ashby { Dykne Adams + James Terry Esq.
 Tobias Adams { Wm. Adams mark James Terry Esq.
 Dykne Adams

Robeson County November term 1819 - the within will was proved in Open Court by the oath of Joseph Lee and advised to be recorded - (Wm. G. Bunting Clerk)

Edward M. Haire, State of North Carolina Richman County In the name of God amen I Edward M. Haire do hereby certify and attest that I have seen and know the contents of the within will and testament in manner following that is to say that I have seen that all my debts be paid Item I give and bequeath unto my four grand children - Effie Quinan Mary + John my son John M. Haire's children all my Estate of Lands and Negroes with all the rest of my effects to be equally divided between them or four If Effie shall have a desire for my lands she is to have the first offer by paying to each of the other three their share likewise I order that Out of all my Property there should be a tomb stone got and erected at my head. I hereby certify my worthy friends Arch. M. Haire and Gilbert Bellis executors to this my last will and testament In witness my hand and seal this 15th day of May above written
 Edward M. Haire mark

Sealed signed published and declared by the said Edward M. Haire the testator as his last will and testament in the presence of us who were present at the signing and sealing thereof
 Edward M. Haire per - Daniel M. Miller

Sampson Bridges

In the Name of God amen I Sampson Bridges
of the County of Robeson & State of North Carolina
being of sound and perfect mind and memory blessed be God, do this
Saturday day of August in the year of our Lord one Thousand eight
hundred and twenty four make and publish this my last Will &
testament in manner and form following that is to say after my
just debts being paid It is my desire that my beloved wife Sarah
Bridges together with my Son James D. Bridges shall remain on my
plantation and all my property of every description consisting of
negroes Horses cattle Hogs sheep farming utensils household & kitchen
furniture shall belong to my beloved wife Sarah Bridges & James
D. Bridges during the term of the natural life of my wife Sarah
and after her death all my lands and plantations and all my
negroes names as follows Jack, Lehasler, Dick, Denah, Jany,
Waggy, Nancy, Benjamin Eliza, Hulda, Lidda & Caroline and
all increase and all the Horses and Stock of every description
together with the farming utensils household and kitchen furniture
to belong to my Son James D. Bridges, and I hereby make
and ordain my worthy friend Archibald McCallum and my
Son James D. Bridges executors of this my last Will & testament
In witness whereof I the said Sampson Bridges 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
Sampson Bridges the testator or
his last Will and testament
in the presence of who were
present at the time of signing
and sealing thereof

Sampson Bridges Seal

Sampson B. Thompson +

Even of Sampson
Martha S. Thompson

Robert Withers

Be you County 24th August 1824
In the Name of God amen I Robert
Withers am dead in body but living
in mind so cause this to be my last Will and testament as
follows I give and bequeath to my loving wife the one third of all
my movable property after my lawful debts is paid and I give &
bequeath to my loving son James Withers one hundred acres of
Land joining the plantation above next to Mill Mcgills and I
give and bequeath to my loving son Donald Withers one hundred
acres of Land joining the plantation above next to Arch. McCallum
and I give and bequeath to my loving son John Withers one

hundred acres of Land where the plantation is but his mother
to have her dower in the plantation and after the children
comes to age it is my desire to give my loving daughter Mar-
-garet Willson the one third of the price of Adam the negro -
fellow and her share of the other moveables, and likewise I
leave my loving wife and Archibald McKay Esq^r

John McKinnon M^r & C^o
James Willson & C^o

Robert F. Willson Esq^r
March

Joseph Willson Executor

Charity Taylor

In the name of God Amen I Charity
Taylor of the State of North Carolina
and county of Robeson being of perfect mind and memory
do hereby testify and declare to all men the contents
of this my will and that it is my desire for all and to die in peace and
despite of what a worldly person it displeases God to be done in
the manner and form following (viz) Item I give and bequeath
unto my beloved son Mills Taylor two shillings in money
Item I give and bequeath to my beloved son Blake Taylor twenty-
five acres of Land joining his own improvement and lying on
Peters Swamp it being one half of a fifty acres more that I
now live on to him and his heirs forever. Item I give and
bequeath to my beloved daughter Edith Innes two shillings in
money. Item I give and bequeath to my beloved daughter Wm
Taylor twenty five acres of Land being one half of a 50 acres survey
that I now live on binding on the East side of said tract
together with one cow and calf by her and her heirs freely
to be possessed and enjoyed forever. Item I give and bequeath
to my beloved grandson John Webb one or more and two or four
old horses to him and his heirs freely to be possessed & enjoyed
forever with the exception of the first horse only to Joseph Webb
Item I give and bequeath to my beloved grandson Joseph
Webb one or freely by him to be possessed forever -
and I Charity Taylor do hereby ratify this & confirm
this and this only to be and contain my last will and
testament: In witness whereof I the said Charity Taylor
have hereunto set my hand and seal the 25th November 1818.
in presence of - Wm's Harmon & C^o her
John Newberry } Charity & Taylor Esq^r
March

Robeson County August term 1819
This will was proved in open Court before
John's Harmon and others to be
recorded. Ruth C. Bunting Clerk.

Elisha Harnel

In the name of God amen I Elisha Harnel
of the county of Jefferson and State of West Virginia
being sick and weak of body but of perfect and sound mind & memory
do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner
and form following (viz) I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife
Phoebe all my lands, negroes, cattle, horses, hogs, &c. that is all my estate
real and personal moveable and immovable of every description
for her pocket use and decent maintenance and the use and
comfortable of her and my children that may choose to remain with
her during her natural life, the above specified property is to be kept
together for the above mentioned purposes during the natural life of
the said Phoebe subject however to the discretionary will and power
of my executor to prevent fraud or waste after her death I will
and ordain that the above mentioned estate shall be divided
among my children as follows:— To my son Garry I give one
undivided acre of Land being the upper part of 150 acres, granted
to Joseph Fort also my negro Sampson and Eliza. To my son John
I give two hundred and fifty acres of Land 200 of which was bought
of Mr. Began the 50 acres being the 200 below also my negro Jacob &
Judy. To my son James Fort one hundred and fourteen acres of
Land bought lately of D. McAlphin also all the remaining land I am
possessed of and lying between the said 144 acres and the land given
above to my son Garry also two negro children viz. George & Elly.
To my daughter Nelly I give a negro girl named Fran with her
increase if any to have and to hold unto her and the heirs of her
body lawfully begotten in fullness of such heirs the said negro
and her increase to become the property of my other children
that is after the death of the said Nelly without heirs of her body.
To my daughter Charity & the heirs of her body I give a negro
girl named Violet with strict injunction that the said negro
shall be hired out in order to pay for schooling the children
of said Charity that is after the said Charity's death, if she
die before the children get sufficient schooling. To my daughter
Mary and the heirs of her body I give a negro girl named Rachel. I
will and ordain that my old negro woman Rachel after the death
of my wife shall live with any of my children that she chooses
to bring up entirely at his own option to live with whom she
chooses. I will and ordain that if my daughter or any of them
shall die without lawful issue of their body begotten then and in
that case the property hereby given to any of them so dying shall
then shall become the property of my other children and their
heirs share and share alike I.E. and equal division. I will
and ordain that all the remaining stock of cattle, horses, sheep
&c. after my wife's death shall be equally divided between

my three sons and my daughter Mary, also all my household furniture beds & bedclothes that shall remain after my wife's death I will and ordain that it also shall be equally divided between my said three sons Jacoby John and James Fort and my daughter Mary - I ordain and appoint my friends John Hagan Sen. & John Hagan Jun. executors and my wife Purdy executrix of this my last Will and testament - In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twentieth day of May A.D. Eighteen hundred and thirteen.

Signed sealed &
attested in presence of
J. M. Alpin &
Daniel Watkins

Elisha Hume (Seal)

Roberta being my wife in 1813 this will was proved in open court by John M. Alpin and declared to be valid.

J. M. Alpin. D.C.

George W. Blount

In the name of God amen I George W. Blount being of perfect mind and memory do hereby for the term do this 10th day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & eighteen make and publish this my last Will and testament in manner following that is to say. First I give and bequeath unto my dear & beloved nephew John Sterling Fort all and singular my estate both real and personal at my decease that is to say first the lot and buildings wherein my mother Mary Barber now lives that I purchased of John Hagan Jun. with all and singular all that my mother then Mary Barber gave unto me as be deced of gift from her to me and recorded in the office with apprais consisting of one room and cell two beds & bedsteads, and all the furniture thereunto belonging consisting of four bed quilts two counterpane two sheets four pillows three tables one side board six wooden chairs one chest one trunk twelve cottons plates and all my books and crockery ware coffee stands one looking glass and all and singular my household furniture of every description purchased since the date of gift was recorded to me.

And I hereby make and ordain my worthy relations Saml and Abner Wallis executors of this my last Will and testament set my hand and seal this day and year above written -
Signed sealed and delivered by the said Geo. W. Blount

the testator as he last will and testament in the presence of
 is who were present at the time of signing and sealing thereof

Null Bird

Willis Pope

Richard Powell

George W. Blount Clerk

Robeson County August term 1818 the within will
 was proved in open by the oath of Richard Powell
 and ordered to be recorded. Rich. C. Banting Clerk

Angus Culbreth

In the name of God amen I
 Angus Culbreth of the county of Robeson
 and State of North Carolina being of

sound mind and memory do hereby make my last will and testament
 as follows: First I give unto my wife Margaret the plantation
 on which I have including one hundred acres during her lifetime
 and after her death the above land is to be the property of my son
 Angus also I give unto my son Angus the fifty acres on which
 my daughter Isabella lives provided that she will have the use of
 80 fifty acres during her lifetime - also I give unto my son Hugh my
 new field including fifty acres. Then I give unto my son Lauchlin
 fifty acres at Moor's little bay. Then I give unto my two sons
 Hugh and Lauchlin fifty acres lying between the above two fifties

Then I want my negro James, Benjamin, Isabella, and Andy to be
 equally divided between my present wife's children after they shall
 arrive to the age of majority. Then I give unto my son David
 one dollar - then I give unto my son-in-law Malcolm M. Packer one
 dollar; also I have all my stock of horses, cows & dogs for the use
 of my family - Lastly I appoint Will Broxon and my son
 Angus executors to this my last will and testament. Signed sealed

delivered in presence of

Wm. A. B. B. B.

Wm. A. B. B. B.

This 22nd day of May 1822

Angus Culbreth
 made

Robeson County August term 1822

This will was proved in open court
 by the oath of William McNeill and
 ordered to be recorded (Rich. C. Banting) Clerk

Archibald A. Miller

In the name of God Amen I
 Archibald A. Miller of Nelson County
 one State of North Carolina being weak of body but of sound and
 perfect mind and memory do this 15th day of April¹⁸⁵⁰ publish and
 declare this my last will and testament in manner and
 form following. I give and bequeath unto my loving wife
 Mary all my land of every description with the improvement to
 have and to hold the same during her natural life or widowhood
 I also give from my negro man Jack as long as any of my daughters
 remain single an allowance for the support of herself & family
 I give and bequeath unto my son John & also all the above
 named lands after their mother's death a proviso being to be
 divided between them share and share alike. I further will
 and order that the tract of my description house hold furniture
 and farming utensils remain on the plantation as at present
 but in case any or all my daughters be Catholic I have
 no part & may should not receive then my executors
 shall allot and give such of them their due proportion
 as a child's part of my personal property. I appoint
 and confirm my loving brother William & Sister M. Miller
 Joint Executors to this my last will and testament. In
 testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal
 day and year above written. Signed sealed published
 and delivered by the above said Archibald Miller the testator
 to be his last will and testament in presence of us who
 have subscribed our names as witnesses in the presence of
 the testator.

James McNeill
 John McNeill

Archibald A. Miller

John Gibson

In the name of God Amen I John Gibson

of the County of Nelson and State of North Carolina taking
 into consideration the shortness of life and the certainty of
 death being in good health of mind and of perfect mind
 and memory blessed in God for all his mercies do this 15th
 day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand
 eight hundred and sixtieth make and publish this my
 last will and testament in manner & form following.
 I will I give and bequeath to my beloved Son William Gibson
 his share and apportioned the whole of my lands & plantations
 containing nine hundred and fifty acres to be and remain how-
 ever to the use and benefit of my beloved wife Mary Gibson
 during her life and I do give and bequeath to said William

lyborn true negro to wit Henry Dilah and to his heirs and his heirs forever, I also give and bequeath to said William Celyborn all such sums of money as I may die possessed of after paying my last debts funeral expenses and the legacies herein after made.

Secondly I give and bequeath my beloved wife Mary Celyborn three negroes to wit Rebecca Thore and Cherry to be by her dispose of at her free will and pleasure.

Thirdly I give and bequeath to my beloved daughter Millicent Hawthorn one hundred dollars. Fourthly I give and bequeath to my beloved daughter Milbary Bryant one hundred dollars.

Fifthly I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Mary Celyborn all the remaining part of my property of every kind and description whatever not devised in this will and of which I may die possessed to be disposed of by her as she may think proper after my decease. Sixthly and lastly I hereby constitute ordain and appoint my son William Celyborn sole executor of this my last will and testament hereby revoking all former wills by me made. In witness whereof I the said John Celyborn have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year first above written.

Signed sealed published and attested

in the presence of us who were present at the time of signing and sealing thereof

John Ward

Samuel Humphrey

Edmund Spier

John Celyborn (Test)
mark

Robeson County may term 1824 then was the execution of this will proved in open court by the oaths of John Ward and Samuel Humphrey and ordered to be registered.

(Richd. C. Bunting Clk)

Witnessed & attested In the name of God Amen July 17th 1820. I Joshua Grantham of the State of North Carolina and county of Robeson being sick and weak in body but in perfect mind and in many thanks be to gods for his mercies, do make this my last will and testament, that I bequeath to my beloved wife Sally Grantham all that part of the plantation from the creek fence dividing between me and my Mother during her natural life or widowhood also I give unto her three cows and calves, one horse saddle and piddle also a lot of hogs about the house supposed about 30 head small and great also one and furniture, also plantation tools,

one cow plow, one fluke plow one club ox and woeeding
 hoe, also two shovels, one ditch barrow, one case of hammers &
 picks one half dozen putter plates one half dozen sciths or
 then plates two dishes half a dozen chairs one table, also one
 negro woman named Rose also seven head of sheep also
 two mollen wheels one lumia wheel and sails and flock
 of geese in down that she may have a chance to raise
 her family children & then I give to my son son Richard
 Grantham all that part of my lands lying below the road
 thro and across the Swamp the road to divide between
 him and Nathan his brother then I give all my lands &
 plantations above the main road excepting whopole to my two
 small sons Nathan Grantham & James Grantham to be equally
 divided between them both now if either of my sons Richard
 or Nathan or James should die without a lawful wife their
 part of land to be divided between the other two. Now
 all my lands to property that mentions more and all cattle
 and hogs and such a part corn after leaving a sufficient to
 be sold at twelve months credit and the money to be equally
 divided between my three small daughters Bada Grantham
 and Sally Grantham and Winifred Grantham and the
 money to be put on interest till they come of age or
 marriage, now if either of these my small daughters Bada
 or Sally or Winifred should die in their infancy without
 a mat then their part of the money to be divided between
 the other sisters or if two of them die the others to have
 the whole of the money the negro plow & other that I bequeath
 my mother at her decease is to be sold divided amongst
 myself and brother and sister and my part of that money
 I want to be divided between my three daughters, after
 this I acknowledge to be my last will and testament
 making all others in whome I bequeath to my hand &
 dated this 14th of July 1774.

Begonia Simons and
 acknowledge in presence of
 List Penn Harris
 Elizabeth Taylor
 M^{rs} H. H. H. H.

So I request my son Richard
 Grantham and my friend W^m
 Harris Executors to this my
 last will & testament.

Joshua Grantham

Mary McMill

In the name of God Amen I Mary McMill
 of the County of Robeson & State of
 North Carolina being of sound mind and memory and knowing that
 it is appointed for all once to die to make this my last will &
 testament in manner and form following Ist. I desire that my negro
 woman Hannah be equally divided between my son-in-law Joseph
 Culbreath and my son William McMill Ist. I give and bequeath
 to my son William McMill the one of my feather beds which
 is of the best value Ist. I give and bequeath to son-in-law
 Joseph Culbreath all the rest of my property after my just debts
 are paid. I appoint my son Malcom McMill Executor to
 this my last Will and testament. In witness whereof I the said
 Mary McMill have to this my last will and testament set my
 hand and seal this 2nd February 1879.

Signed in presence of

Joseph Culbreath
 James Ellison &

Mary McMill Test.
 mark

Robeson County February term 1879
 will was proved in open court by the oath of James Ellison
 and ordered to be recorded.

J. M. Queen, J. C.

Daniel Brown

I State of North Carolina William Henry
 test. know all men by these presents
 that I, Daniel Brown of the State
 and district aforesaid now in perfect health enjoying the proper
 exercise of all my intellectual powers do at the request
 of Katherine Brown my wife give up and renounce all
 claim or claims whatsoever to all and every part of the property
 real and personal by her previous to our marriage consisting of
 four negroes Lander Amy Devie and Nancy who was born
 last summer one house and some other black and red and
 furniture &c. to be held and disposed of forever at her pleasure
 In witness whereof I do hereunto set my hand and seal this
 the twentyfourth day of April and in the year of our Lord
 eighteen hundred and eleven.

Daniel Brown

W. H. Brown

Daniel Brown Test.

Robeson County May term 1876 This will was proved in
 open court by the oaths of W. H. Brown and Daniel
 Brown and ordered to be recorded.

J. M. Queen, J. C.

Archibald Willison

State of North Carolina Robeson County
In the name of God amen I Archibald
Willison of the said County and State

being of sound and perfect memory thanks be to God for his good
-ness do make this my last will and testament in manner
as follows. Item I leave to my brother Angus youngest
son named Edward Willison all my possessions of Land
house, health, and every earthly possession that I have. Item
I leave the aforesaid Edward Willison the management
of every thing here said. Executed to my last will and
testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my
hand and affixed my Seal. July the 6th day 1858
and will thus

Gilted Hand

Archibald + Willison

made

In the name of God amen

In the name of God amen I
Samuel Thompson of the County of
Robeson and State of North Carolina

being of sound and perfect mind and memory thanks be to God
do make this the 25th day of July in the year
of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty
eight and publish this my last will and testament in presence
and witnesses. Witnessing that is to say, First I give and
bequeath unto my beloved wife Rebecca Thompson two hundred
and twenty acres of land including the land whereon I now
live also my negroes also three cows and three pigs to be
kept during her natural life or as long as she shall live. Second To my
son William Thompson I give and bequeath three hundred and
fifty acres of Land whereon he now lives also my negroes big
and little slave to him and his heirs forever. Third I
give and bequeath to my son Daniel Thompson five
acres of Land whereon he now lives also three cows that I
bought from Samuel Thompson on the 1st of June 1858 and one
negro boy named Jack and my horse and gun to him and his
heirs forever. Fourth To my daughter Sarah Brown I give
and bequeath two negroes to be named Kate & Pink to her
and her heirs forever. Fifth I will and bequeath unto
Nancy Thompson daughter of William Thompson one cow
and furniture one horse and calf and two head of sheep
Sixth Should my beloved wife think proper to give up any
of the property left her father her natural life or as long as she
at any time before her death to either of my heirs in the order
following she is at liberty to do so without impairing in any

Copy of Will of:

LEMUEL THOMPSON,

of

Robeson County, N. C.

Robeson County,
North Carolina

(Court House, Lumberton,) RSW

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In the name of God Amen.

I Lemuel Thompson, of the County of Robeson, and the State of North Carolina, being of sound and perfect mind and memory, thanks be to God, but weak in body, do this 26th day of July, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty, make and publish this, my last will and testament, in manner and substance following, that is to say:

First, I give and bequeath unto my loving wife, Patience Thompson, 220 acres of land, embracing the land whereon I now live, also my Negroes, Old Olive, Rose, Senthea and Nat, to be hers during her natural life, or widowhood.

Second, to my son Nathan Thompson, I give and bequeath 350 acres, whereon he now lives, also my Negroes Peg and Little Olive, to him and his heirs forever.

Third, I give and bequeath ~~to~~ my son, Daniel Thompson, 65 acres that I bought from Samuel Riggs, one Negro girl named Alice, one Negro boy named Enoch, and my rifle gun to him and his heirs forever.

Fourth, to my daughter, Sarah Barnes, I give and bequeath two Negro girls, named Rose and Pink, to be hers and her heirs forever.

Fifth, I will and bequeath unto Nancy Thompson, daughter of Theophilus Thompson, one bed and furniture, one cow and calf and two head of sheep.

Sixth, should my beloved wife think proper to give up any of the property left her during her natural life, or widowhood, at any time before her death, to either of my heirs, in the order following, she is at liberty to do so, without impairing, or in any wise (a word here illegible RSW) any clause of this my last will and testament. Namely, to my son Daniel, the 220 acres of land willed her, and my Negro girl Cynthia, and to my son Nathan, my Negroes, Nat and Olive.

As to my daughter Sarah Barnes, the Negroes Rose and Jerry, provided she is so disposed, or should she find it convenient to do so, as it is my desire that the property left her, should be at her death distributed among my children

(Continued)

*For Samuel Riggs &
John Thompson &
Hen Block*

Robeson County, November term 1820 this will was read in open court by the clerk of said county and was found to be the last will and testament of Lemuel Thompson when Nathan Thompson qualified as executor to the same

A. M. Quinn

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Archibald Withison

State of North Carolina Robeson County
 In the name of God amen I Archibald
 Withison of the said County and State
 being of sound and perfect memory thanks be to God for his good
 -ness do make this my last Will and Testament in manner
 as follows: I give to my brother Angus youngest
 son named Edward Withison all my possessions of Land
 house, cattle, and every earthly possession that I have - I give
 I have the aforesaid Edward Withison the management
 of every thing him and Executor to my last Will and
 Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my
 hand and affixed my seal. July the 6th day 1868
 at Mills Place
 Gilbert Brown + Archibald + Withison (Seal)
 mark

In the name of God amen I
 Thomas Thompson of the County of
 Robeson and State of North Carolina
 being of sound and perfect mind and memory thanks be to God
 do hereby in body do on this the 25th day of July in the year
 of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty
 eight and publish this my last Will and Testament in manner
 and substance following that is to say: First I give and
 bequeath unto my beloved wife Patience Thompson a two hundred
 and thirty acres of land situated on the land whereon I now
 live also my negroes and their children and not to be
 sold during her natural life or as long as she lives. To my
 son William Thompson I give and bequeath three hundred and
 fifty acres of Land whereon he now lives also my negroes boy
 and little son to him and his heirs forever. Third I
 give and bequeath to my son David Thompson thirty five
 acres of Land whereon he now lives and also that I
 bought from Samuel Dyer and also just before him one
 negro boy named Jack and my little son to him and his
 heirs forever. Fourth To my daughter Sarah Baines I give
 and bequeath two hundred and thirty acres of Land to her
 and her heirs forever. Fifth I will and bequeath unto
 Nancy Thompson daughter of Thomas Thompson one bee
 and guineas one cow and calf and two head of sheep
 Sixth Should my beloved wife think proper to give up any
 of the property left her during her natural life or widowhood
 at any time before her death to either of my heirs in the order
 following she is at liberty to do so without inquiring or in any

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in the manner mentioned in this clause. But should my daughter Sarah Barnes die, and the heirs of her body also die, during their minority, or before they arrive to the years of maturity, it is then my will and desire that Jerry and Rose, with Rose's increase, descend to my sons, Nathan and Daniel, and to their heirs.

Seventh, after all of my just debts are paid out of my property not already willed, it is my will and desire that the balance remain with my beloved wife, during her natural life, together with what increase may accrue thereon, to be equally divided among my children, Nathan Thompson, Daniel Thompson and Sarah Barnes.

Eighth, I hereby appoint and ordain my sons, Nathan Thompson and Daniel Thompson, executors of this my last will and testament. In witness whereof, I, the said Lemuel Thompson, have to this last will and testament set my hand and seal, the day and year just above written.

Signed, sealed published and ordained by the said Lemuel Thompson, as his last will and testament, in the presence of:

Samuel Jenkins)
John Thompson)
Ken Black)

LEMUEL THOMPSON

This will was probated in open Court of Robeson County, November term, 1820, by the oaths of Samuel Jenkins and John Thompson, when Nathan Thompson qualified as Executor to the same.

J. McQueen
Clerk of Court.

Note:

This typewritten copy of the will of Lemuel Thompson was made by Ruth Smith Williams, Genealogist, of Arlington Terrace Apt. 112, Rocky Mount, N. C., descendant of Lemuel Thompson, on the 24th of August, 1964. The very faded will was difficult to read, even with a reading glass, but could not be photostated satisfactorily, and after several attempts to make photostats, the writer, Ruth Smith Williams, diligently and painstakingly made the above copy for the History of the Thompson Family of Robeson County, which is yet in manuscript. To the best of my ability, and with only a word or two that was illegible, this is a true copy of Lemuel Thompson's will.

(Signed)

Ruth S. Williams

*Test Samuel Jenkins
John Thompson
Ken Black*

*Robeson County November Term 1820 this Will was probated
in open Court by the Oaths of Samuel Jenkins and John
Thompson when Nathan Thompson qualified as executor
to the same*

J. McQueen

Archibald Willison

State of North Carolina Robeson County
 In the name of God Amen I Archibald
 Willison of the said County and State
 being of sound and perfect memory thanks be to God for his good
 mercy do make this my last will and testament in manner
 as follows. Item I leave to my brother Angus youngest
 son named Edward Willison all my possessions of Land
 here, cattle, and every earthly possession that I have. Item
 I leave to aforesaid Edward Willison the management
 of everything here and Executor to my last will and
 testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my
 hand and affixed my seal. July the 6th day 1858
 at Mill Hill

Gibbert R. R. R.

Archibald + Willison (seal)
mark

In the name of God Amen I
 George Thompson of the County of
 Robeson and State of North Carolina
 being of sound and perfect memory and memory blessed be God
 do hereby make this the 26th day of July in the year
 of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty
 eight and publish this my last will and testament in manner
 and substance following that is to say, First I give and
 bequeath unto my loving wife Rebecca Thompson two hundred
 and twenty acres of land situated in the land whereon I now
 live all my land & the stone house together are put to be
 her share in her natural life & to her Second To my
 son William Thompson I give and bequeath two hundred and
 fifty acres of land whereon he now lives all my negroes by
 and little stone to him and his heirs forever. Third I
 give and bequeath to my son Gabriel Thompson fifty five
 acres of land whereon he now lives namely, acres that I
 bought from Saml. Briggs and acres that were given me
 negroes by name Jack and my wife to give to him and his
 heirs forever. Fourth To my daughter Sarah Baines I give
 and bequeath two negroes, Jack, named Ben & Pink to her
 and her heirs forever. Fifth I will and bequeath unto
 Nancy Thompson daughter of Thos. Bales Thompson one bee
 and premises, one cow and calf and two head of stock
 Sixth Should my beloved wife think proper to give up any
 of the property left her during her natural life or widowhood,
 at any time before her death to either of my heirs in the order
 following she is at liberty to do so without incurring a penalty

were including any clause or sentence of this my last will and testament namely to my son Daniel the two hundred and twenty of land already willed him and my negro girl Cynthia and to my son Nathan my negro wife and child as to my daughter Sarah Barnes the negro son and her provided she be so disposed or should she find it convenient to do so as it is my desire that the property left left her should at her death be distributed among my children in the manner mentioned in this will. But should my daughter Sarah Barnes die and the heirs ^{of her body} also die during their minority or before they arrive to the year of majority it is then my will and desire that I give and give with them or more desired to my sons Nathan and Daniel and to their heirs. Seventh after all my last debts are paid out of my property that has not been already paid it is my will and desire that the balance remain with my beloved wife during her natural life together with what income may arise therefrom to be equally divided among my children Nathan Thompson Daniel Thompson and Sarah Barnes - Eighth I hereby appointed and appointed my son Nathan Thompson and Daniel Thompson Executors to this my last will and testament in which I have said Samuel Thompson have to the negro wife and testament set my hand and seal the day and in part above written - Signed sealed published and acknowledged by the said Samuel Thompson as his last will and testament in presence of

Samuel Jenkins
John Thompson
Henry Black

Samuel Thompson Seal

Witness the words of the body and the words of the testament were read and the witnesses before appeared

At Samuel Jenkins
John Thompson
Henry Black

Robertson County Kentucky from 1820 this will was proved in open court by the oaths of Samuel Jenkins and John Thompson when Nathan Thompson qualified as executor to the same

A. M. Quinn

Charles Thompson

In the name of God amen, I Charles Thompson of the County of Robinson and State of North Carolina, Planting being weak in body, but of sound and perfect mind and memory thanks be to God calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, do make and publish this my last will and testament in manner and form following that is to say, principally and first of all I recommend my soul into the hands of Almighty God who gave it, and my body to the earth to be buried in a decent Christian like manner as the direction of my executor hereafter mentioned and as for such worldly estate wherewith I pleased God to bless me in this life I give devise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form, to wit, I give devise and bequeath to my son Jacob Thompson all my lands on Downing Creek or Lumber River which lie above a line from the landing place to the dwelling house on said plantation to run a due course to the drying place at the Back Swamp to warts Jacob Barnes' Island I give devise and bequeath to my son Lewis Thompson the lower part of my lands on Lumber River above referred to or more or less, Thirdly I give devise and bequeath to my son Lewis all that part of my lands more or less from John Barnes' Island to the East side of the Back Swamp extending to the middle of the Back Swamp, Fourthly I give devise and bequeath to my son Joseph Thompson the whole of my lands and tenements located on the West side of the Back Swamp and on each side of the Back Swamp with an exception of one acre, Fifthly I give devise and bequeath to my daughter Sarah Thompson negro girl named Abby, Sixthly I give devise and bequeath to my daughter Abigail, Seventhly I give devise and bequeath to my daughter Effy, Eighthly I give to my daughter Effy her negro boy named Pompey, Ninthly I give to my son Lewis being at the age of about one year to be supported and raised that the balance of my negroes will before death be equally and fairly divided into two parts and the half thereof that is to say one part to be equally divided between my three children namely Jacob Jordan, Joseph and Lewis and the other half between my two daughters Abby and Mary, [Tenthly I give devise and bequeath to my loving wife during her natural life the balance of my lands and negroes not before disposed of and after her death I give and bequeath to my son Lewis all that part of the John Barnes' land lying on the West side of the Back Swamp extending to the middle of

I give and bequeath to my son Willey all the lands on the
 old field Swamp to the east edge thereof including the mill
 I give devise and bequeath to my son James all the land on
 the east side of the old field Swamp below the old road also
 one hundred and forty acres called the Thorney Swamp land
 I give and bequeath the land above the old road which
 I now live also two hundred and twelve acres on the west
 way to my son David which includes several tracts. The
 other half of my negroes or those not before devised (after
 the death of my wife) I give devise and bequeath to my
 other seven children (namely) Sarah Willie Charley James Burre
 charity and appen and after the death of my wife it is my
 desire that all my household furniture and stock of all kinds
 be equally divided among the whole of my children. It is
 my intention and I desire it to be my particular will
 that all the property herein devised to each one
 of my sons be to them and their heirs forever - But
 to my daughters such part as I have here particularly given
 and such share as may fall to them according to the means
 and intention of my wife aforesaid; I do hereby declare
 it is my intention that they have the use and benefit
 thereof during their natural lives and then to descend
 to the heirs of their bodies if any it not any heirs then to
 their lawful heirs. And lastly I recommend and appoint
 my brother friend Jacob L. Ford and my sons Jacob Thoma
 son and my son-in-law John Thompson Executors of this my
 last will and testament - In witness whereof I have
 hereunto set my hand and seal the 11th day of August 1821

Copied & attested before me
 Leon A. Ford +
 Abraham Ford +
 Thomas Thompson +

James Thompson a Deft

Katharine Campbell.

On the same of 1st day of August
 Katharine Campbell of the County of
 Holston being of sound mind and perfect

mind and memory blessed be God do this twelfth day of September
 in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and nineteen
 make and publish this my last will and testament in
 manner following. First I give & bequeath to my son
 John Campbell all my cattle now in his possession and
 more paid by the name of Mary for his lifetime then to
 his son Hugh if he should live.

Thirdly I give and bequeath to my beloved son Alexander
all my boys sheep & black cattle also one feather bed and five
blankets I give and bequeath to Alexander the son
and which I give and bequeath to his daughter Mary Ann
Fourthly I give and bequeath to my beloved daughter Catherine
married to John Lucier an estate ~~of~~ six dollars - Fifthly
I give and bequeath to my beloved daughter Mary married
to Duncan Linner six dollars and one black blanket, Sixthly
I give and bequeath to my granddaughter Mary McGill who
is illegitimate six dollars, Seventhly I bequeath to each of my
daughters now living in ^{one dollar} ~~each~~ ^{each} ~~they~~ demand etc
Eighthly I give and bequeath unto my daughter in law
Elizabeth one black handkerchief Lastly I resign and assign
my land on Alexander's River of the my last will and
testament I have signed, whereof I have hereto subscribed
my name and affixed my seal to, the second day of
December that signed sealed and published in the presence
of John Blair

Thos McNeill
witness

Will Smith

In the name of God Amen I
Will Smith of the County of Hot-
springs in the State of North Carolina
being of sound mind and perfect mind and
memory blessed be God for all his mercies calling to mind the
mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all
men once to die do this sixteenth day of July in the year of
our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty one, make
publish and declare this my last will and testament in
the name and soon following - First of all I give and recommend
my soul into the hands of God who give it and my body I recom-
mend to the earth to be buried in decent Christian burial
at the direction of my Executors nothing doubting but at the
general resurrection I shall receive the same by the mighty
power of God and as trusting such words shall be
to his praise God to bless me in thy life. I give devise
and dispose of the same in the manner and form following
that is to say: First I give and bequeath to my beloved
wife Mary the plantation wherein I now live with all the
lands appurtenant thereto belonging which are not hereafter
otherwise devised, together with twenty acres in an Island
in Lake Swamp also my mare and colt and all my stock
of cattle, hogs and sheep to be disposed of at her free will
and pleasure without any manner of restraint whatever

234 Then I give and bequeath to my son Will Smith
one hundred acres of Land in the County of said between
Beck Swamp and Drowning Creek beginning at a red
oak among three pines near the side of a pond &c &c.
which was purchased from Samuel Deane attorney &c
and dated 28th day of May 1877 to have and to hold the
same forever. I desire that all my land on the big marsh
which consists of three hundred acres be sold for money
and the money to be laid in the purchase of a young
black man or woman for the use and support of my wife
and family and I desire that after her decease the said
money to be held for my and that money equally divided
among my children viz. John Smith Catherine Smith
John Smith Will Smith. If Smith to be three and three
four parts. And to my children that are married and
gone of I give and bequeath one dollar each as an ^{extra} gift
to each house which they have already got for
my property & so their said three four parts. I likewise
give and bequeath one dollar each to my property to the
little society. Finally and lastly I nominate and
appoint my beloved wife Mary Smith executrix and
my son Will Smith and Amos McWhiney
executors of this my last will and testament hereby making
and annulling all former wills made by me. 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 testator in presence of us
subscribed present at the time of signing the same. -

Arch^d Baker
Will Smith
Daniel Williams

Will Smith

• I say that I give and bequeath to my son Will Smith
one hundred acres of Land in the County of said between
Beck Swamp and Drowning Creek beginning at a red
oak among three pines near the side of a pond &c &c.
which was purchased from Samuel Deane attorney &c
and dated 28th day of May 1877 to have and to hold the
same forever. I desire that all my land on the big marsh
which consists of three hundred acres be sold for money
and the money to be laid in the purchase of a young
black man or woman for the use and support of my wife
and family and I desire that after her decease the said
money to be held for my and that money equally divided
among my children viz. John Smith Catherine Smith
John Smith Will Smith. If Smith to be three and three
four parts. And to my children that are married and
gone of I give and bequeath one dollar each as an ^{extra} gift
to each house which they have already got for
my property & so their said three four parts. I likewise
give and bequeath one dollar each to my property to the
little society. Finally and lastly I nominate and
appoint my beloved wife Mary Smith executrix and
my son Will Smith and Amos McWhiney
executors of this my last will and testament hereby making
and annulling all former wills made by me. 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 testator in presence of us
subscribed present at the time of signing the same. -

I give and bequeath to my wife Mary, whose one dollar
I give and bequeath to my sister Lydella, my millen one half of
my bed clothes and also half of my wearing apparel, the balance
of my bed clothes and wearing apparel together with all my money
due to me by note or otherwise and all my papers and every
other article belonging to me, I give and bequeath to my sister
Mary, whom I nominate executrix and appoint sole
executrix of this my last will and testament, fully revoking
all the and powerfully to me as any lines heretofore
made in writing whereof I have heretofore let my hand and
seal the 11th of October in the year of our Lord one
thousand eight hundred and twenty seven I sealed published
and attested by the said sister Margaret McMillan
Duncan McMillan's Widow and for her last will and
testament in the presence of us who have subscribed
our names as witnesses hereto in the presence of the
said sister

+ John Bottine

Herewith by me

Margaret McMillan
mark

Spoken in County November term 1821 Then was the execution
of the within will proved in open Court by the oath of
John Bottine a subscribing witness thereto and a record
to be recorded

Richd. Grantam

In the name of God amen
Richard Grantam of Richmond County and State of
North Carolina being of sound mind and memory all thanks
be to God for it, do make and declare this and the other to be
my last will and testament in witness whereof and for the following
reasons First I commend my soul to almighty God who gave it and
my body to the earth from whom it was taken to be interred
at the direction of my friends, and as for what worldly
goods it has pleased God to bestow on me, I give and
dispose of as follows - First I desire that all my just
debts should be paid after which I give and bequeath
unto my beloved wife Sarah Grantam during her
natural life my dwelling and all that part of the place
situation in which the house stands, also the corn and
calves one feather bed and furniture also two cows

236 and pigs one horse busse and saddle and all
my house hold goods except so much as shall hereafter be
mentioned Likewise I give to my son Moses Grantham
one hundred dollars in cash to be paid out of my personal
estate immediately after my death Likewise I give unto
my son Richard Grantham part of 600 acres of Land part
containing 1770 and that part that lies below the house
that leads to Town of the also a part of a tract of 100
acres on the same side of said road the road being
the same as the road at a part of 100 acres lying in the
I also give unto my son John Grantham the
part of 100 acres of Land containing 1793 Likewise I give to my son
Joseph Grantham an hundred acres of Land part of
the 20th 1770 also 250 acres of Land included in part of
Plantation and part of 100 acres of Land to be paid to John Grantham
and money to me by him John Grantham Likewise I give
to my son Joshua Grantham the balance or upper part
of the 100 acres the road being the dividing line between said
Joseph and Richard also 250 acres lying on the south side
of Ashpole containing part of a tract granted to Joseph Taylor
of patent Feb^y 25 1774 and part of a survey of 1000 adjoining
the same granted to myself and is bounded as follows vizt
beginning at a tree called a White Oak in Joseph
Taylor's line then this line runs corners of Joseph Grantham's
line to the road then along the road to division line
then with Fairings line to Richard Grantham's line
then with Richard Grantham's line to the road then with said
road to Ashpole Taylor's line then with said Original line to the
beginning containing 250 acres more or less including the plantation
whereon I now live further more my will and desire is that my
son Joshua Grantham shall take charge of my negro boy Peter
in case for the support of my wife during her life, —
Likewise I give unto my daughter Fathia an hundred 200 acres of
Land it being a part of a tract of Land of 600 acres joining Tabitha
Watson's land Likewise I give to my daughter Tabitha Watson
the sum of one dollar altho the heirs of my daughter Sarah
an hundred and the sum of one dollar. Likewise I give to
my daughter Mary Bennett the sum of one dollar. Likewise
I give to my daughter Jane Adams and her heirs one hundred
acres of Land it being part of the six hundred acres above mentioned
also I give to my daughter Hannah Smith the sum of one
dollar Furthermore my will and desire is that after the death of
my wife Sarah the remaining part of my estate should be

equally divided among my lawful heirs or their representatives
and I do appoint my sons Joshua Grantham Richard
Grantham and J. Grantham Executors of this my last will and
testament. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand
and seal this 31st day of October A.D. 1893 one thousand
eight hundred and thirteen, signed sealed and published
in the presence of us as the last will and testament of the
subscriber.

T. L. Haynes
Jesse Leggett
Bry Lewis

Richard Grantham

Robeson County November Term 1894 The execution of this
will was proved in open Court by the oath of Jesse Leggett and
advised to be recorded

Reck. Offspring Clerk

Charles Pattle

In the name of God amen I Charles
Pattle of the County of Robeson and State
of North Carolina being sick and weak
in body but of perfect mind and memory do make and declare
this my last will and testament in the manner and form fol-
-lowing (viz) principally and first of all I give and recommend
my soul into the hands of Almighty God that first 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 which
with it hath pleased God to bless me with in this life I give
devise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form
Item I leave unto my wife Phoebe the use of the plantation
whereon I now live with all my part of the crop of corn fodder
peas and potatoes &c. I also leave her the use of one bay mare
two of the best cows and calves in my stock one sow and seven
black pigs my best bed bedstead and furniture with all my
house hold and kitchen furniture during her natural life. Item
I give and bequeath unto my son John all my lands lying below
the lower prong of the great branch including the plantation
whereon Lion Post now lives to him and his heirs forever.
Item I give and bequeath unto my three grandchildren David, Annie
and William Pattle one hundred and forty acres of land by ad-
-dition being part of two surveys one I bought of John Jackson
and the other of Duncan McAlpin bounded as follows beginning
at Jacksons Corner on the West side of the Ferry branch

Then running up the same side of said branch to the
 ford Daniel McNeill's and Ann Humphrey's cartpath then
 running N. 45° E. to the head of a small branch, then due
 south across the Jackson line on the McAlpin land to the
 mouth of the Bear pond, then up said branch on the south
 side to the East ~~corner~~ of James Humphrey's James Jackson land
 then along said Humphrey line to the beginning corner of the Benj-
 amin Jenkins land, then along said Humphrey line down to the
 Bradley line then as far as the McAlpin land extends, then
 down to the beginning including the plantation whereon my
 son Charles now lives, Also two thirds of the crop on said
 plantation, I give to my Grand daughter Sarah Patten
 one red cow and yearling to him and three hies forever
 Item I give and bequeath to my son Charles one dollar to
 him and his hies forever, Item I give and bequeath to my
 daughter Elizabeth at the death of my wife one bed dressed
 and furniture six head of gun, and one dollar at my
 death to her and her hies forever, I give and bequeath
 to my daughter Sarah one dollar to her and her hies
 forever Item I give and bequeath to my grandson Charles
 Patten one cow and calf two deer and ten pigs raised
 at the lower end of the great bay to him and his hies
 forever. — Item I give and bequeath to my sons John
 and Zachary at the death of my wife the plantation
 whereon I now live with all my lands adjoining round
 about, which I have not heretofore given away to be
 equally divided between them to share and share alike
 to them and their hies forever, Item I give and
 bequeath to my daughter Mary twenty dollars and at
 the death of my wife all the property except the plantation
 which I lent to my wife or so much of said property as
 is remaining at the death of my wife to her and her
 hies forever, All the remaining part of my estate I
 leave in the hands of my executors for the purpose of
 paying my just and honest debts, I nominate constitute
 and appoint John Patten James McHatt and John Humphrey
 my executors of this my last Will and testament hereby revoking
 all other former Wills by me at any time heretofore by me made
 In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this
 the 25th day of August 1824. — Charles Patten *(Sd)*
 Signed sealed published and declared by the said Charles Patten
 as and for his last Will and testament in the presence of us who have
 subscribed our names as witnesses thereof in the presence of the testator
 John Charles W. Patten, John McAlpin ^{and} John Henry Caldwell &

William Humphrey

In the name of God amen I William Humphrey of the County of Robeson and State of North Carolina being weak of body but of perfect mind and memory calling to mind that it is appointed me for all men to die do make this my last will and testament as follows viz my soul I commit to almighty God who gave it and my body to the earth to be buried in a decent & christianlike manner at the discretion of my Executors herein after to be appointed, Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Sarah one hundred dollars, Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Selah one hundred dollars, Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Martha one negro boy by the name of Ralph to her and her heirs forever. — Item I give and bequeath to my wife Anna the remainder of my property of every description during her natural life or widowhood, — Item at my wife Anna's death I give and bequeath unto my son Richard all my lands with all my improvements thereon, also I give unto my son Richard Five negro boys viz Solomon Daniel James Live and Will also two negro girls by name Mary & dinkay and all the remainder of my property of every description to him and his heirs forever. I hereby nominate and appoint my brother James Humphrey & brother in law Jacob Blount executors to this my last will and testament hereby disannulling & revoking all former Wills &c. In witness whereof I have unto set my hand and seal this 14th day of Feb^y 1818.

Test Charles Tate +
Jacobus Tate

William Humphrey (Sd)

William Moore

In the name of God Amen I William Moore of Robeson County Planter being weak and sickly in Body but of perfect and sound mind and memory do make this my last Will & testament in manner and form following viz I give and bequeath to my daughter Catharine my Old man and cote and inshall she remain unmarried she in conjunction with her brother John is to have the use of the plantation with all the working tools as plow hoes &c. with the still and cede and brandy stills and also my Old horse for their common benefit and the maintainance of such of my other children as now remain with me as long as they shall remain on the plantation, this to be the case untill my son the aforesaid John shall become of lawful age, then the plantations tools still &c to become his sole property, I will also that the said Catharine and my daughter Asenath shall have and become possessors of my negro girl Rose and if Catharine shall pay unto the said Asenath fifty dollars then and in that case

the negro girl shall be the property of the said Catharine solely and exclusively. I give and bequeath unto my son James one hundred acres of Land joining the land hereafter mentioned to be given to my son William lying near the Ten mile Swamp I give and bequeath unto my son William two hundred and fifty acres of land more or less in three surveys including the plantation wherein he now lives which is on a survey of one hundred acres the other one hundred and fifty are in two surveys but joining each other lying on the long and copper branches and near near to the ten mile Swamp, I give & bequeath unto my son John three hundred acres of land in two surveys one survey containing two hundred acres including the plantation wherein I now live this he is to become possessed of as soon as he becomes to lawful age as already mentioned to three hundred acres lying on the road joining Roger W. Swains I give and bequeath also the said John my fully now two years old also my bed & furniture I give and bequeath unto my daughter Asonath a bed and furniture viz that which is called my own I will and Ordain that all and every individual article of my household furniture not already mentioned and all my Books shall be equally divided between by son John and daughter Asonath as soon as said John shall become of lawful age, I further will and Ordain that my daughters Catharine & ^{Eleanor} ~~Asonath~~ shall retain and hold in possession the beds and furniture now called their own I also will that Catharine Eleanor John & Asonath shall each of them have a cow and half out of my stock of Cattle before any sale or division is made, I will and Ordain that my negroes Ron excepted shall be sold by public Vendue at twelve months credit and the proceeds of their sale equally divided between my daughters named as follows Mary, Sarah, Nancy, Eliza Eleanor and Oliver, I do will that all my stock of cattle shall be equally divided between all my daughters and my son John, I hereby will constitute and appoint my son William and my worthy friend Colonel John Pagan Joint Executors and my daughter Catharine Executrix of this my last will and Testament revoking & annulling all the wills heretofore made or done by me In Witness whereof I have set my hand and seal at the Great Marsh this 15th day of June, A.D. Eighteen hundred & nine

Witness before me & declared in presence of
 The said Catharine, Asonath, Mary and Eleanor
 in the second page
 Thomas alpin, Thomas Welch, Timothy, &c.

William ^{son} ~~son~~ ^{made}

Watson John In the name of God amen I the undersigned
 of the County of Robeson and State of North Carolina
 being thro the abundant mercy and goodness of God the weak of body yet
 of a sound and perfect understanding and memory do constitute this
 my last will and testament and desire it to be received by all
 as such Impiement. I most humbly beseech my soul to God my
 maker beseeching his most gracious acceptance of it thro the allsufficient
 merits and mediation of my most compassionate Redeemer Jesus Christ
 who gave himself to be an atonement for my sins and is
 able to save to the uttermost all that come unto God by him
 being he ever liveth to make intercession; and who I trust will
 not reject me a repenting penitent sinner when I come to him
 for mercy In this hope and confidence I under up my soul
 with comfort humbly beseeching the most blessed and glorious Trinity
 one God most holy most merciful and gracious to prepare me
 for the time of my death and then to take me to himself
 into that peace and rest and incomparable felicity which he has
 prepared for those that love and fear his holy Name Amen
 Blessed be God = then 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 to my worldly estate I order as
 follows. Order that all my debts be paid then I give to
 dear and loving wife and to my son William this here
 plantation wherein I now live between them; I also give to my
 Alexander the place that lays over School hill and I also to
 to my youngest son John that hundred acres that is back
 John McLean I likewise leave him also and to my daughter
 Mary all my money and cattle for to be divided equally between
 them after paying fifty dollars to my son Samuel. William
 my son and Alexander I do constitute them Executors of
 my last will and testament and trustees for their mo
 sisters and brothers = In witness whereof I have set my hand
 and seal the fourth day of April in the year of our
 Lord Eighteen hundred and two

Witness Mathew Watson

John McLean

Daniel Wilkinson

John Watson

Peter McArthur In the name of God amen I Peter
 Mac Arthur of the State of North Carolina & Robeson County, North
 being weak of body, but of perfect mind and memory thanks be given
 to God calling into mind the mortality of my body and knowing that
 it is appointed for all men once to die; do make and bequeath
 this my last Will and testament that is to say principally
 and first of all I give and recommend my soul into 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 devise and dispose of the same in the following man-
 ner and form: First I give and bequeath to my grand child
 Peter McArthur Junior the plantation that I now live on with
 eighty acres east of Kidy Branch and twenty acres I give to
 my dearful son John McArthur including said Branch also
 I give and bequeath to the said John McArthur all the
 rest of my Property goods and chattels Only I give to my well
 beloved daughter Mary McArthur one shilling sterling money
 I give to my grandchild Peggy McArthur one cow also
 my grandchild Mille McArthur one cow, also to
 An and Duncan McArthur one a piece ditto also to I
 give to my grandchild John McArthur one cow and
 half turn over 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 sealed
 the said Peter McArthur 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 McPhaul Patrick McArthur seal.
 Test Peter McArthur
 mark

Slaughter Hill

In the name of God amen.
 I Slaughter Hill being very sick
 and weak of body 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 for all men once to die, do
 make and bequeath this my last Will and Testament that
 is to say principally and first of all I give and recommend
 my soul into the hand of almighty God that since it is

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my body I commend to the Earth to be buried in decent
christian burial at the direction of my Executors, nothing worth-
ing 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 and form First I give and bequeath
to Rebecca my dear beloved wife the sum of One hun-
- dred dollars of good and lawful money likewise eight
head of Cattle three Cattle being known by the name
of Rebecca's stock of cattle and one feather bed with its
furniture which was hers before, likewise she is to have
the loan of the bed and furniture I have in use at
this time her lifetime or widowhood and one half
of the kitchen furniture likewise and after her lifetime
or widowhood to be returned to my Sons also I
give Rebecca my wife twenty acres of Land mostly con-
- taining two log houses and likewise timber and firewood for
the use of the same for lifetime or widowhood likewise the
barn and tackling thereof and one third of the crop
- one third of the bacon Hogg, and likewise I give to my
dear beloved wife Rebecca one horse named called pike
and a side saddle and the cotton that come of her plantation
also I give to my well beloved son Moses fifteen head of
Cattle and one bay mare called Stocking and a bridle a
saddle and the remainder of the crop and hogg except the
Cotton and likewise two feather beds and all the furniture
in the frame house and the remainder part of the kitchen
furniture and all the plantation utensils, and cast iron
Stove and one still and three head of sheep and one half
of the crop of cotton. Thirdly I also leave to be sold to
Executors three negroes their names as follows Jim Rose & Eph
and one horse called Bob and one colt, at six months
my wife is this property when sold and the money collected after
debts being paid that to be divided into five shares equally
between Whitmel Hill John Hill my Son and my beloved da-
-UGHTER Margaret Brewer wife of Jacob Brewer and my
moreover constitute my brother Moses Hill and my son Wm
Hill Executors to my last will and testament all and sing
by them freely to be possessed and enjoyed and I do hereby utter
disallow words and disannul all and every other former testament
wills Legacies bequests and Executors by me or any other

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 before named willed and bequeathed ratifying and
 confirming this and no other to be my last Will & Testament
 In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal
 this twenty seventh day of October in the year of Our
 Lord Eighteen hundred and Eighteen, Signed sealed
 published pronounced and declared in the presence of us,
 Charles Stetson
 Thomas Hill
 Whitmel ^{make} Hill +
 Moss ^{make} Hill
 Stephen B. McLeod

Slaughter Hill 

In the name of God Amen I Archibald
 Archibald McMillan Senr me, Millan Senior of the County of Adams
 and State of North Carolina considering
 the uncertainty of this mortal life and being of sound & perfect
 memory and mind blessed be almighty God for the same, do
 make and publish this my last Will and Testament in
 manner and form following VIZ I give and commit
 my soul to God who gave it existence and my body to the earth
 to be decently buried, I dispose my worldly Property in the
 following manner VIZ 1st I give and bequeath to
 my son William MacMillan one tract of Land including
 a plantation whereon he now lives containing two hundred
 and forty two acres during his natural life and at his death
 equally divided among his children, 2^d I also give and
 commit unto my son Daniel MacMillan three hundred
 acres of Land patent by Benjamin Willis lying on both sides
 of the Westing hole branch beginning at the west corner of
 a tract of five hundred acres and being part of said tract
 land, 3^d I give and bequeath unto my son Archibald
 MacMillan the use of one hundred acres of Land inclu-
 ding the plantation whereon he now lives, also the use
 of two hundred acres of Land being a part of the above
 mentioned five hundred acres of Land patent by Benjamin
 Willis beginning at the North corner of said Land, during
 his natural life and at his death to be equally divided
 among his children 4th I also give and bequeath unto my
 daughter Catharine MacMillan my negro man Simon also one
 bed and furniture, 5th I also give and bequeath unto my
 daughter Mary McMillan my negro boy Levi also one bed and
 furniture. 6th I also give and bequeath unto my son Malcom
 MacMillan five hundred acres of Land including the plantation

whereon I now live also one bay mare one cart one bed and furniture with all the farming utensils and it is my will and wish that my three daughters and sister-in-law Flora Polue remain on the plantation and have privilege of being in the house during their single life also to have an equal share of the produce of the orchard during their single life. 7. I also give and bequeath to my daughter Effy my negro boy Siepio also fifty dollars in money also one bed and furniture. 8. I also give and bequeath unto my sister-in-law Flora Polue fifty dollars also one cow and calf together with one bed and furniture. 9. I also give and bequeath unto my son William McMillan's children one hundred and fifty dollars to be paid out by my Executors for their education. 10. I also give and bequeath unto my granddaughter Mary MacMillan Archibald MacMillan's daughter one cow and calf. My will is after the above mentioned legacies are paid the residue and remainder of my personal estate goods and chattels of what kind and nature soever to be equally divided among all my children. I also appoint and ordain my worthy friend Thomas McMillan sole executor of this my last will and testament. In witness whereof I the said Archibald MacMillan have to this my last will and testament set my hand and seal this 14th day of June A.D. 1823. Sealed signed and declared in presence of us:

Levin Barge +
Duncan Malloy.

Archibald McMillan Esq

I Archibald MacMillan Senior of the County of Robinson do hereby certify this Codicil to be taken as a part of my last will and testament as follows that is to say I do hereby give and bequeath unto my three daughters Catharine MacMillan, Mary MacMillan, and Effy McMillan my riding chain and harness for the use of the all equally alike, this is over and above what I have given them by my said will. In witness whereof I have to this Codicil annexed to my said will set my hand and seal this 23rd day of April in the year of Our Lord One thousand eight hundred and twenty four. Signed Sealed and declared by the said Archibald McMillan Senr in presence of us who were present at the sealing thereof.

Levin Barge +

Archibald McMillan Esq

Arch. M. Boy

Christian Wilkison

I Christian Wilkison of the County of
Robeson in the State of North

Carolina being of sound mind and memory but weak in
body do make and ordain this my last will and Testament
in manner and form following Wit In presence I give
and bequeath to my beloved son Allen all my lands with the
appurtenances, and tenements thereto belonging to him his heirs
and assigns forever in as full and ample a manner as accorded
to me in a marriage contract by my last deceased husband
Duncan Wilkison with the exception that it shall not be
in the power of the said Allen to dispose of or sell any
part or parts of the tenements aforesaid so long as any of his
sisters hereafter named shall live single or may choose to live
with him on the premises aforesaid but shall during that
period remain and be as a joint estate between them and
each of them, I also give him my negro boy Whore my horse
and his choice of the two Cotts his heirs and assigns forever

Item I give and bequeath to my beloved daughter Katherine
my negro woman Leah to her and her heirs & assigns forever

Item I give to my daughter Annest my negro girl Mary to
her her heirs and assigns forever. Item I give and bequeath
to my daughter Elizabeth my negro boy beetle to her her
heirs and assigns forever. Item I give to my daughter
Isabella my negro girl Chussey to her her heirs and assigns
forever. Item I give to my daughters Effy and Flora
two hundred and fifty dollars each now mostly out on interest
and which is to be paid out on loan at the discretion of my
executory heirs after named until the same will amount to
a sum sufficient to purchase a negro girl for each of them
my stocks of all description my farming fixtures and house
hold furniture are to remain in common to and among all
my children aforesaid for and during the time they shall or
may think proper to live together on the tenements aforesaid
and on their removal from the same each and every of
them shall be entitled to their proportional part of the stock
of cattle and house hold furniture. I constitute and appoint
my son Allen Wilkison and my friend John Puckel Executors
of this my last will and testament, to testimony whereof
I have set my hand and affix my seal the 24th day of
October in the year of our Lord 1820.

Signe Sealed and Executed in presence of

A. B. Smith
J. M. Willan

Robt. A. C.

William Paul

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In the name of God Amen I William Paul of the County of Robeson and State of North Carolina being of sound and perfect mind and memory (blessed be God) do this the fifteenth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty 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 son Stephen Paul five dollars I also give and bequeath unto my son Isham Paul five dollars I also give and bequeath unto my son Abraham Paul five dollars I also give and bequeath unto my son William Paul five dollars I also give and bequeath unto my daughter Elizabeth Beazley five dollars I also give and bequeath unto my son Alvin Paul five dollars I also give and bequeath unto my daughter Amy Paul my largest bed with furniture I also give and bequeath unto my son James Paul my possessions of land and all the rest of my property real and personal and I hereby make and ordain my worthy friends Leon Alford and Stephen Paul Executors for this my last will and testament. In witness whereof I the said William Paul have to this my last will and testament set my hand and seal the day and year above written

Signed and sealed
in the presence of
Jas. Alford x
D. Mc Laurin
Abraham Paul Secy.

William Paul

John M. Kinmon

I John M. Kinmon of Robeson Co. & State of North Carolina being sick and weak of body but of a perfect mind & memory and calling to mind the mortality of my mortal existence do dispose of my estate and property in manner and form following first I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Margaret Kinmon my man and youngest child, with all the hogs that may be in my possession when this will shall be of force also all my horse, hold and plantation furniture and tools with the free use and enjoyment of my plantation in her possession during and for the term shall remain my widow, also give to the one half of my horned cattle that remain on my plantation in August past, in consideration of the mention bequest I ordain that my beloved mother Janet M. Kinmon shall be maintained out of the proceeds of said hogs to be paid to Margaret & one mother

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make choice of residing on my said plantation, at my wife's
decease or second marriage I give to my friend Angus McLean
to retain in his own possession forever all the lands I now possess
to retain in his own possession containing one hundred acres to
him the said Angus McLean and his heirs likewise I give said
McLean my young black horse, I give and bequeath to my
beloved mother Janet McKinnon one cow and calf of the
remaining part of my stock, I give and bequeath to my step-
daughter Mary McHaskell one cow. The remaining part of my
stock I ordain it be appropriated to the funeral charges &
debts, I constitute ordain and nominate Angus McLean sole
executor to this my last Will and testament and I do hereby
utterly disavow revoke and disannul every other will or
bequest by me made or declared and ratify this and no other
to be my last Will and testament. In witness whereof I
have hereunto set my hand and seal this the 22^d of Sept-
1801 Signed sealed & pronounced by said John McKinnon
to his last Will and testament in the presence of us who in
the presence of each other have hereunto subscribed our
names,

John McKinnon
John McKinnon

John McKinnon
mark

Archibald McMillan In the name of God amen I
Archibald McMillan of the County
& Robeson and State of North Carolina being of sound and perfect
mind and memory (blessed be God) do this 8th day of
September in the year of our Lord 1823 make and publish
this my last Will and testament in manner that is to say
that I give and bequeath to my loving wife Mary my
plantation and houses and farming utensils of every description
to her use and service as long as she lives and after her death
the said property to belong to my son Alexander together with
five cows which she may choose after the furniture of every
description as it now stands I also ordain that my negro boy
Jefferson remain on the plantation during my said wife's life
second, I give and bequeath unto my grand son John Crawford
two year old steers (Forth), I give and bequeath unto my
daughters Mary and Catherine the negro boy above mentioned
after the death of their mother as also I bequeath unto
the property this by his own desire Fifth I give and bequeath
to him and his heirs one hundred -

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birth, I also give my wife all the sheep to dispose off as she
 pleases except three four to be given to my grand child nancy Johns
 daughter. Seventh I give and bequeath unto all my children an
 equal share of the stock except Alex: who is otherwise provided
 for and John, But John share to be given to his children
 share and share alike - Eighth and I hereby make and
 ordain my worthy sons Will and Daniel Executors of this
 my last will and testament. In witness whereof I the said
 Arch: MacMillan have to this my last will and testament
 set my hand and seal day and year above written

Signed sealed published
 and declared by the said
 Arch: MacMillan Testator as
 his last will and testament
 in presence of
 James McKillop
 Hector Macmillan

Arch: MacMillan (Test)
 Robeson county February Term
 1824 The due execution of the
 within will was proved in open
 court by the oaths of Hector MacMillan
 and ordered to be recorded
R. C. Bunting Clerk

Dugald Graham

In the name of God Amen I Dugald Graham of Robeson County North Carolina do make & declare this my last will & testament in manner & form following - that is to say First It is my desire that my debts be paid as soon as possible after my death Secondly I give & devise to my sister Flora Graham the use of my small dwelling house as long as she lives on my plantation & the use of my Table & Kitchen furnitures & I give to my children two of my beds & their furniture which shall be equally divided between my son Samuel Davis & Elizabeth Graham further I leave for the joint use of my sister Flora and my two children three cows & calves two young steers five head of Hogs one mare & colt & the necessary farming utensils

Thirdly I give & bequeath to my son Samuel Davis all my Lands on the West Side of the first Swamp and to my daughter Elizabeth all my lands on the East side of the Swamp giving each an equal right in the Swamp.

It is further my will should sister Flora Graham have the plantation that two parts of the property mentioned above for the joint use of my children & her be sold except so much of the table & Kitchen furniture as she may want to carry off for her own use & she shall also in this case be entitled to a third part of the cattle and the money equally divided between my children

It is further my will that sister Flora be supported as long as she lives on the land decently I further give my Daughter Elizabeth my pocket Hymn Book small Testament & the spinning wheel

Again it is my will that a Testament with large print & a hymn book be procured for my son Samuel Davis & I will to him my three volumes of Davis's Sermons It is further my will that my children be taught to read write & spell shall & that my son be taught the common principles of Arithmetick It is my will should sister Flora have the plantation if it be advisable that the land be rented & that she be necessary for her support be entitled to one third part of the rent & that the other two parts be equally divided between my son & daughter

Further it is my desire that the rest and residue of my property of what kind soever only what may be necessary for the support of my family if they continue together be sold on a credit of twelve months and that the money be equally divided between my son Samuel Davis and daughter Elizabeth Graham And I hereby do appoint & constitute my trusty friends Fred M Lean & James McLean Executors of this my last will & testament in which I have hereunto set my hand & seal the 24 day of November 1829 Signed sealed & published & declared by the above named Dugald Graham to be his last will & Testament in the presence

Daniel M' Rae

John Packer

William Rector

Robeson County May term 1836

Then was this will proven in open Court by the oath of Wm Rector

& ordered to be Recorded

Dugald Graham

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