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Mary Smith

In the name of God amen I Mary Smith of the County of Rockingham and state of North Carolina being weak of body but preserving some mind and as poor memory and being anxious to settle all my worldly affairs while the Lord in his mercy helps me with strength of mind sufficient for the important task to make and renew this my last will and testament hereby revoking all former wills by me made.

Item 1st I loan to my beloved daughter Nancy Hall during her natural life one feather bed and furniture which I bought of her and at the death of my said daughter Nancy it is my will and desire that the bed and furniture thus loaned to her be given to her son Daniel and his heirs forever.

Item 2nd after my death I give to my daughter Nancy one fine chest to her and her heirs forever.

Item 3^d I give to my son William Smith and my daughter Nancy Hall one piece of blue and white cotton cloth to be equally divided between them Item 4th after my death I give to my beloved daughter Polly Griffeth my side saddle to her and her heirs forever.

Item 5th in my death I give to my two daughters Polly Griffeth and Nancy Hall all my wearing apparel to be equally divided between them Item 6th I appoint my son William Smith Executor to this my last will and testament in which whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the 9th day of March 1826 signed a sealed and delivered in presence of us John Griffith and

David Little

Mary Smith
Signed
March

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Mary Smith

State of North Carolina ³ May 1826

The execution of the within last will and testament of Mary Smith was duly proved in open court by the oath of John Griffith who was ordained to be executor and witness qualified as executor thereto and took out letter testamentary in the same.

John Griffith COC

Michael Thomas

In the name of God amen I Michael Thomas of Rockingham County and State of North Carolina this 3rd day of December 1816 being weak in body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be given to God for the same calling to mind the mortality of my body and that it is appointed for all men once to die and make and renew this my last will and testament that is to say principally and first of all I give and recommend my soul to God Almighty that gave it and my body to the earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my executors nothing doubting but I shall meet the same again at the general resurrection of the dead by the mighty power of God and as touching such mortality of mine as God has pleased to bestow me with in life I give away and bequeath in manner and form viz that I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife during her natural life the plantation wherein we now live on being the same I bought of James Collier with all the improvements known also thirty acres of the tract bought of Smith and Simon beginning at the north east corner to

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tract 2nd I give my son John 132 acres of land which
I bought of William Day also one negro woman
named Alphonsa 3rd I give the heirs of Abram
Thomas 150 Acres of the old plantation on the south
and west side joining Ballways land 4th I give
my son Adam five shillings concerning the negro
Ben and other property already given him his proper
tional share 5th I give my son Samuel 150 acres
of land lying on the north west corner of the old
plantation 6th I give to my son James one hundred
acres the tract I bought of James Day 7th My
will I desire is that all the residue of my estate not
particularly mentioned or reserved shall remain
in the possession of my wife during her life and
after her death to be used and the money arising
from the sale to be equally divided between my surviving
children Betsy Polley Lucy Italy Samuel Turner
and I appoint my wife my executor of this my last
will and testament making and doing all things
for our will by me made witness my hand this day
one year first above written signed and acknow
ledged in presence of Michael ^{his} Thomas ^{mark}
John Murphy

Robert Engquist
Aldred Simon

State of North Carolina No number September 1817
Rockingham County 3rd The execution of the aforesaid
last will and testament of Michael Thomas
was duly proved in open court by the oath of John
Murphy & Aldred Simon and on motion
made to record it
Notary Public

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In the name of God amen I Margaret Shewell of
the County of Rockingham and State of North Carolina
being in a low state of health but of sound mind and
memory being desirous to dispose of what worldly goods
it has pleased God to bless me with I do make and
ordain the following bequest to be my last will and
testament
First I will and bequeath unto my beloved Niece
Lucy Neal my bed and furniture
2nd I will and bequeath unto my beloved sister Mary
Neal one white tea com
3rd I will and bequeath unto my beloved niece Anna
ah Alley wife of Joseph Alley one blue bed com
4th I will and bequeath unto my beloved Sister Dusilla
Shewell one ever lid
5th I will and bequeath unto my sister Martha Alley
wife of Basael Alley one horse yearling
6th I will and bequeath unto my beloved Brother Thos
Neal one cow and yearling
7th I will and bequeath unto my beloved Brothers and
Sisters to wit Sally Porter Dusilla Shewell Lucy Neal
Anna Shewell Polly Night Elizabeth Fox William
Fox the children of Martha Alley Susanah Alley
Elizabeth Alley Maria Alley the residue of my
estate that is not here in other wise disposed of to be
equally divided between Sally Porter Dusilla
Shewell Lucy Neal Anna Shewell Polly Night
Elizabeth Fox William Fox and the children
of Martha Alley Susanah Alley Elizabeth Alley
and Maria Alley to hold jointly and enjoy forever
8th and it is my further will and desire that