

Thomas Harden

In the name of God I Thomas Harden of the County of Rockingham and State of North Carolina being of perfect sound mind and memory do on this twenty fifth day of May in the year of our Lord 1819 make and publish this my last will and testament in manner & form following

First I give to my two Sons Henry Harden & Peter Harden and also to my Daughter Peggy Harden and to my beloved wife her heirs of their choice out of my stock of Slaves to be equally divided between them and at the death of my said wife Eleanor Harden that her share be equally divided between Henry Harden Peter Harden and Peggy Harden

Secondly I give to my Daughter Peggy Harden during her life one hundred and fifty acres of land of Guyton tract and after her death to return to my son Peter Harden I also give to my said Daughter Peggy her Bed and furniture one horse saddle & bridle for ever

Thirdly I give to Son Peter Harden the Plantation whereon I now live with fifty acres of Guyton tract one Bed and furniture and also two horses a waggon & harness

Fourthly I leave to my said wife Eleanor Harden during her life all my household and kitchen furniture with my stock of every kind and at her death to be equally divided between my two sons Henry Harden and Peter Harden and my Daughter Peggy Harden

Fifthly I give the remainder of my negroes to be equally divided amongst my other children viz Ann Maria lawful begotten children to Orinly Harden John Harden and Jeremiah Harden lawful begotten children to Thomas Harden Sarah Rogers and William Hombuckle to be

equally divided between them it is to be observed that the children of Ann Maria John Harden & Jeremiah Harden is to have each only a share equal to a male legatee

Sixthly I do constitute and appoint my two sons Henry Harden and Peter Harden Executors of this my last will and testament signed sealed published, and delivered, by me Thomas Harden the Testator as my last will and Testament in the presence of us who were by when it was perfected

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John Reid

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Moses Short

In the name of God amen I Moses Short of the County of Rockingham being weak in Body but of sound memory blessed be God do this 17th day of September in the year of our Lord Eighteen hundred and nine do make and publish this my last will and testament in the manner following that is to say I give to my grand sons Moses & Jacob Short the land on which I now live lying on the waters of Troublesome to be equally divided divided between them after the crop is secured to hold to them during their life and after their decease I also give to my grand Sons Moses & Jacob my wearing clothes equally to be divided between them I also give to my daughter Mary Short wife of Moses Short one negro man named Shep to serve ten years as a slave and after that to be set free, I also give to my daughter Nancy Whittier wife of Jacob Whittier a negro woman named Lolly to serve ten years as a slave with her child Nelly after