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discretion of my executors & as touching such worldly estate wherewith it had pleased God to bless me with it I will & bequeath in the following manner. Viz. First. I order that all my just debts & funeral charges be paid & also order that my moveable estate shall be appraised & shall continue on the land so long as my well beloved wife Catharina Winkler lives, or else till my son Adam comes to the years of one & twenty & then the moveable part of my estate to be equally divided. Secondly I give & bequeath unto my son Daniel Winkler the land that lies on the west side of the creek with all its appertanances to him & his heirs forever, lawfully begotten of his body one yearling Colt & mottack one ox. Then I give & bequeath unto my son Adam the home place with all its appertanances there unto belonging to him & his heirs forever lawfully begotten of his body. Then that it is my will & desire that all the moveable part of my estate shall be equally divided amongst the following viz. my beloved wife Catharina Winkler & my well beloved daughter Dianna Motzinger & my beloved daughter Mary Foughter & my beloved daughter Magdalena Hans & my beloved daughter Catharina Burk hart & my beloved daughter Barbara Pieren & my beloved daughter Elisabeth Winkler & lastly I do ordain & constitute Daniel Motzinger & Devolt Loutly the whole & sole executors of this my last will & testament, & I do hereby utterly deny revoke & disanull all & every will before named in any manner what soever ratify or confirming. But this & no other to be my last

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will & test: in testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal 29. of March A.D. 1797.

Signed, read & declared by

William Pantz jun

Samuel Welch.

Adam Winkler

In the name of God Amen!

I Christian Zimmerman of Rowan County in the State of N Carolina, wicous, being weak in body, but of perfect mind & memory, thanks be given to God, calling to mind the mortality of men & knowing that it is appointed for all men to die, do make & ordain this my last will & test: that is to say. Principally & first of all I recommend my soul into the hands of God, & my body to the earth to be buried in a christian manner at the discretion of my executors. And as touching such worldly estate wherewith it had pleased God to bless me in this life I give, devise & ordain the same in the follow. form.

First. I give & bequeath unto Catharina my dear beloved wife all my estate real & personal, consisting in lands, tenements, cattle, furniture & all other goods of what kind so ever, together with all the uses & benefit hereof, to have & to hold the same as her sole property as long as she shall live & as a widow provided however that as soon as she shall have another husband, then my executors are impowred to, the whole estate appraised by two responsible Freeholders chosen by them, to value every article of my said estate & the third part of said valuation shall then be & remain the sole

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Property of my wife Catharina & her assigns for ever the other remaining two thirds shall be equally divided - amongst my children, share & share alike viz between my sons, John, Christian, Benjamin, David, Martin, Samuel Joseph & Daniel & my six daughters, Margaret, Anna Susanna Regina Elizabeth, Catharina, Sarah, & Christina each of them from the eldest to the youngest one equal share

Secondly, I will that if one of my aforesaid children should marry & have children & should die before I or my wife Catharina, then his or their children shall be and be lawfully entitled to the full share allotted to any of my children, or aforesaid

Thirdly, I will that any of my aforesaid children, should die without issue before me or my wife Catharina, then his or her share shall be divided amongst my surviving children share & share alike each of them a equal share as aforesaid

Fourthly And I do hereby firmly declare that not one of my surviving children shall after my decease be bound out as a servant by my executors or by any other person.

Fifthly And I do hereby ordain, constitute & appoint my two sons John & Christian executors of this my last will & testament & do disannul & make void all my former wills or legacies

by me either in writing or word of mouth, ratifying no other to be my last will & testament. In witness whereof we have unto put my hand & seal 12 of March A.D. 1790.

and, sealed, published, pronounced and signed by the above said Zimmerman Christian Zimmerman as his last will & testament in presence of John Right jun. Jacob Watson

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In the name of God Amen! I William Whitaker of the County of Duwen & State of N. Carolina being weak in body but in perfect mind & memory thanks be given to God, & calling to mind the mortality of my body & knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die; Do make & ordain this my last will & testament, that is to say principally & first of all I give & recommend my soul into the hands of 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 friends & executors, nothing doubting but at the general resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God & as touching such worldly goods, wherewith it had pleased God to bless me in this life, I give devise & dispose of the same in the following manner & form.

1/ I will that all my just debts & funeral charges be paid by my executors.

2/ I will unto my well beloved wife Abriella the third part of my personal estate consisting in horses, cattle sheep, hogs, & household goods & furniture, to her during her widowhood or natural life, & if she never should marry again for her to live with my son Josuah on the plantation where I now live her life time if she see cause so to do & after her decease the third part to be equally divided among my daughters, namely Susanna, Rachel, Sarah, Mary, Elenor, Elizabeth, Margaret, Abriella, Ludda King, & Hannah & what remains over & above my wife's part of the goods & cattle above mentioned, after my