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1772 In the Name of God Amen. The twenty third Day of August in the Year
May 1772 of our Lord one thousand seven hundred & seventy one I Humphrey Page
of Rowan County in the Province of North Carolina being very
sick & weak in Body but of perfect Mind & Memory Thanks be given to
God therefore calling unto Mind the Mortality of my Body & knowing that
it is appointed for all men once to die do make & Ordain this my last
Will and Testament that is to say Principally & first of all I give &
recommend my Soul into the Hands of Almighty God that gave it &
my Body I recommend to the Earth to be buried in a Christian like
Manner at the Discretion of my Executors Nothing doubting but at
the general Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the Mighty
Power of God And as touching such worldly Estate wherewith it has
pleased God to bless me in this Life I give & devise & dispose of the same
in the following Manner & Form First my Will is that all my
just Debts & Funeral Charges be first paid out of the first Things
arising from the Sale of such Part of my Estate as may be in or
Money due to me is collectible. Secondly I give and bequeath unto
my beloved Daughter Sarah Page one Lewis & half one Hesper Fox mare
called Jane to her the said Sarah Page her heirs & assigns. Thirdly
I give & bequeath unto my beloved Daughter Mary Page one Cow called
Dont one young Hesper called sickly, four young Steers & two young
Horses & two young Calves one small mare & Colt & one young black
Horse & the young Cattle that belongs to the same called Jane which
is bequeathed unto Sarah, & twelve Head of Hogs, all my Loom
& Quern & all my Household Furniture of what kind soever with
all the Rest & Residue of my Estate both real & personal whoso-
ever & whatsoever to be found unto her the said Mary Page her heirs
& assigns forever. And lastly I do hereby nominate, constitute
and appoint my trusty & beloved Friends John Frohock and Thomas
Boyles my Executors of this my last Will & Testament hereby dis-
missing all other & former Will or Wills by me heretofore made &

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1776 I do hereby ratifying & confirming this & no other to be my last Will and
Testament. In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal
this Day & Year above written. Humphrey Page
Signed sealed published & pronounced
to be the last Will & Testament of
the said Humphrey Page in the
Presence of us.
Wm. Ray
James Ray

1776 In the Name of God Amen. The 17 Day of September in the Year
of our Lord 1776 I David Pridemore of the County of Rowan and in the
Province of North Carolina being very sick & weak in Body but
of perfect Mind and Memory Thanks be to God therefore calling to Mind
the Mortality of my Body & knowing that it is appointed for all men once to
die I do hereby make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament that
is to say first of all I recommend myself to God that gave it and for
my Body I recommend it to the Earth to be buried in a Christian like
Manner at the Discretion of my Executors & as touching such worldly Estate
wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me with I give & devise & dispose of
the same in the following Manner. First I do order and appoint and order
Richard Simpson son and Peter King my sole & full Executors of this my
last Will and Testament for to order and so for my heirs as follows.
In Premises I do order that all my lawful just Debts and Funeral Charges
be paid and satisfied. Then I give and bequeath to my son David Pridemore
all my Land with the Improvements & Appurtenances that is where one
line being on the big Tract between the Land lying on both Sides of the said
bridge the said Land containing three hundred and so Acres the said
being under & secured by the Money paid, but if in case that any mes-
sage should happen by me or my Office being shut & one of
the Executors Richard Simpson & Peter King when the Office is at
my hand & get my Deed for my son if the