

1792 In the name of God Amen; I William Hudgens
of Rowan County & State of N. Carolina being weak in
body, but of sound mind & memory, calling to mind the
uncertainty of life & to certainty of death, Do for the
purpose of disposing of my estate & settling my Affairs
in full with each & every individual, make this my last
will & testament in manner & form following.

I give my soul to God who gave it me praying his accept
& my body to the earth from whence it was taken, requesting
a decent burial of my friends & executors hereafter named.

1. I will that all my just debts be first paid out of my estate.

2. I give & bequeath to my beloved wife Elizabeth three
negroes named, David, Hannah & Jesse.

3. I give & bequeath to my daughter Mary Abbott one
negro girl which she has now in possession, named Lily.

4. I give & bequeath to my little son William the tract
of land whereon I now live with three negroes, Willis
& her son James & Tom.

5. I give to my youngest son Pleasant four negroes
Charles, Chany, Isaac & Hannah.

6. I will that all my moveable estate except what I have
already given, be kept together for the use of my two
little sons William & Pleasant & my wife Elizabeth
during her widowhood, but in case she should marry
that then all my moveables as above be disposed of at
the discretion of my after named executors for the
alone use of my above named sons William & Pleasant.

7. I give to my two sons Will^m & Pleasant all my wearing
apparel to be divided at the direction of my executors
between them.

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g. I and lastly for the faithfully executing this my last
will & Testament Do constitute, nominate & appoint
my beloved friends John Sloan; Alexander Long &
Thomas Carson, my lawfull executors, and all & every
other will & hereby revoked made by me heretofore & do
by their presence constitute this my last will & test:
as witness my hand & seal this 28 day of June 1792.

In presence of

Obadiah Duqua jur.

Agnes Sloan.

James Fisher.

John Sloan.

Will^m Hudgens

In the name of God Amen. I Frederick Hawn of
the County of Rowan & State of N. Carolina being weak
in body but of perfect memory thanks be to God. Calling to
mind the mortality of body & knowing that all men must die
Do make & ordain this my last will & test: principally & first
I recommend my soul in the hands of God, that gave it & my
body to the earth to be buried in a christian manner, at the
discretion of my executors. As touching such words by estate
where with it had pleased the almighty to bless me in this
life I give & demise & dispose of the same in the following
manner & form Viz I give unto my youngest son Frederick
my land where I now live on, but my wife Elizabeth to
have the use of it during her widowhood. Item I give my
wife the young mare & two cows & one bed & furniture -
Item I give unto my son Philip the mare Cott that I
have left to my wife Elizabeth at six months old.

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Item I give unto my son Friedrich my yearling Colt.
 Item I give unto my Daughter Margaret ^{one} cow
 Item I give to my Christine one cow. Item I give to
 my daughter Betty one cow. Item I give unto my son
 John the sum of five shillings & Item I leave all my
 household & furniture unto my wife Elizabeth to make
 use of, her life time & after Decease if any rest to be share
 amongst all my children except my son John is to have
 no share in it. I give to my trusty friend George Sevier
 my Dutch Babel & appoint my trusty friend Thomas
 Byron to be my executor & my request is to sell my old
 mare & pay my debts & as much as will satisfy my
 just debts of my moveables in witness hereof I have
 hereunto set my hand & seal 1. of March 1801.

Signed sealed &
 acknowledged in presence of us, ^{his} Friedrich ^{Shaw} ^{Sevier}
 W. Badenhammer jr. ^{mark}
 Benjamin Faulkner ^{he was born 2 May 1744.}
 Mary & Fox. ^{deceased. 9. June 1801.}
 (mark)

In the name of God amen! the 1st of May AD 1793.
 I Will^m Harper of Rowan County & State of N^C Carolina
 Farmer being weak in body but in perfect mind & memory
 thanks be given to God for the same, Therefore calling to
 mind the mortality of my body knowing that it is
 appointed for all men to die do make & ordain this my
 last will & testament that is to say principally & first

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of all I give & recommend my soul into the hands of God
 that give it & as for my body I recommend it to the earth
 to be buried in a christian like & decent manner at the dis-
 cretion of my executors nothing doubting but at the general
 resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power
 of God & as touching such worldly estate wherein it had pleased
 God to bless me with in this life I give devise & dispose of
 the same in the following manner & form.

Imprimis I give & bequeath to Mary my dear beloved
 wife one feather bed & furniture during her life time & that
 to be kept up in a decent manner, Likewise a good sufficient
 maintenance of washing, lodging, clothing an victualing
 during her life out of my estate & after her death to be
 buried in a christian like manner And her bed to return
 to Rhoda & Elizabeth. Likewise I give to my eldest son
 Zephaniah Harper the sum of five pounds I do also
 give my daughter Zilpah the sum of five shillings
 I do also give unto my Daughter Drusilla two cows I
 do also give unto my son William Harper a negro man
 named Tob I do also give unto my daughter Mary a young
 horse & five pound, And I do also give & bequeath unto my
 two daughters Rhoda & Elizabeth & their heirs all my
 lands & premises to be equally divided. Likewise all the
 rest of my stock & household & furniture of every kind &
 farming utensils and I do hereby appoint my two sons
 Zephaniah Harper & Will^m Harper my executors of
 this my last will & testament. I desire all former wills in witness
 hereof my hand & seal hereunto
 in presence of Edward ^{was} ^{jun} Ephraim ^{was} ^{jun} Nathan ^{was} ^{jun} Will^m Harper ^{was} ^{jun}