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I give and bequeath to my Beloved Wife Margaret the  
Negro wench named Rose as her property during her  
Widowhood, and if she should Marry then the Wench to be  
sold and the value thereof to be divided into four equal  
Shares herself a part, & my apd Elizabeth a part and  
Anne a part thereof, or if it should please God to call  
her hence her said Wench to be sold and her value  
Equally Divide among my three last mentioned  
Children and my above named Wife likewise allow  
her the benefit of a widowhood on the Improvement I  
now have during her Widowhood, and the care and  
Fuction of my two youngest Children Jacob & Ann  
I leave to their Mother's discretion till they come to the  
Years of Majority and for the support of her and them  
together I have all my Household furniture in general  
including all Implements of Husbandry such as may  
be necessary in upholding a farm as long as in her  
Widowhood as above and to my Wife I leave the Gray  
Mare, and two Cows and all the Cow house in  
general together with all the sheep including her  
Pew saddle, and I do Constitute Appoint and chuse  
my Son John and James Thomas to be the sole  
Executors of this my last will and Testament and  
none other, & I do hereby Disabllor Testate and Disannul

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all and every other former Testaments Wills  
Legacies Bequests and Test<sup>ts</sup> by me before in any  
Wise mentioned named Wills and Bequests etc. Noty  
ping this and no other to be my last will and Tes-  
tament. At W. T. M. S. whereof I have hereunto set my  
hand and Seal this fourteenth day of April in the year  
of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and Twenty  
Eight - Signed sealed published and attested &  
Declared by the said Jacob Thomas as his last will  
and Testament in the presence of us —

John McWhorter  
John G. Brent  
111<sup>st</sup> St. N.Y.

Jacob Thomas Esq.  
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In the name of God AMEN. At Ninth day of  
Oct<sup>r</sup> in the year of our Lord God One thousand seven hun-  
dred and Eighty five, Hugh Graham of the State  
of North Carolina County of Rowan being very sick  
and weak in Body but of perfect mind and memory  
thankes be given unto God. Therefore calling unto  
mind the Mortality of my Body, and knowing that  
it is appointed unto all men once to die do make  
and ordaine this my last Will and Testament

15<sup>th</sup> I do say ~~MINISTERIALLY~~ and first of all I give  
and command my Soul into the hands of God that gave  
it and for my Body I command it to the Earth to be buried  
in a Christian like and decent manner at the discretion  
of my Executors not doubting but at the general Resur-  
rection I shall receive the same again by the mighty  
Power of God and as touching such worldly Estate as  
thee with it hath pleased God to bless me in this life  
I give, devise and dispose of the same in the following  
manner and form — First I give and bequeath  
to such my dearly beloved Wife all and singular  
my Household Goods and movables of every kind  
whatever together with a few and Utmost care that  
all other tools are necessary for the Reception and  
Improvement of my lands while she liveth thereon  
also one beast of Horse kind at her choice also three  
Milch Cows to her disposition in choice also likewise  
I ordain this my last Will and Testament that  
my said Wife Sarah Grahams and Charles Lovelace  
of Hale and County of Lancashire are hereby appointed my  
sole Executors. I also empower them to pay all my  
just and lawfull debts of every kind whatever to be  
lived out of my Estate. I also ordain my Lands  
Wife, & Tenements, all and singular to the

care of my said Wife Sarah to be freely enjoyed <sup>15<sup>th</sup></sup> uninteruptedly while she continues in the Estate  
I leave her, and if it should please her after my  
Disease to enter into a second Marriage then I  
doth ordain my Lands Wifesages & Tenements all and  
singular to be rented to the best advantage and the  
Money or Money arising from the Rents thereof  
to be equally divided amongst my Children, Mary  
Frances & Susannah Grahams until they come  
to age of maturity at which time I then ordain my  
said Lands & Tenements to be sold to the best adven-  
tage & the money or money <sup>therein</sup> arising to be appropriated  
equally to the use of my said Children and divided  
equally amongst them. I do also ordain & appoint  
whatever beasts horses or cattle that I have not left to my  
Wifes disposal to be sold and the money or money therein  
arising to be appropriated to the payment of just Debts upon  
at the Discretion of my said Executors, and the residue applied  
to the use of my said Children, and I do hereby utterly disallow  
Twelve and Sixpence and any other former Wills & Testaments  
I have made before and supersede by me in any way before this  
time named Will and bequeathed, testifying and confirming  
this and no other to be my last Will & Testament. In testimony  
whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal the day & year above  
written. Signed and published pronounced & Declared by the said Hugh  
Grahams as his last Will and Testament in presence of the subscribers  
*Hugh Graham*  
*John Little* *X* *Hugh Graham*