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That the plantation whereon he now lived, containing two hundred acres & another tract of land that joins to it containing two hundred acres both tracts containing four hundred acres to him & his heirs for ever, likewise all the rest of my land not here willed & bequeathed I do allow & give to three of my daughters to wit. Elizabeth Copoe, Mary Ratto and Magdalena Ratto to be equally divided amongst them as possible, likewise I do allow my three daughters Elizabeth Copoe, Mary Ratto, Magdalena Ratto to pay Catharine Blessing twenty Dollars out of the land, likewise I do allow all the rest of my moveable property & negroes not here willed or bequeathed I do allow to be sold at public sale and the money to be equally divided amongst all my children & my wife to have a child's part with them and I do hereby make & ordain my beloved wife and my son Henry Ratto executors of this my last will & testament in witness whereof I the said Godfried Ratto have to this my last will & testament set my hand & seal this 14 day of June in the year of our Lord 1809.

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the said Godfried Ratto test. as his last will & testament in the presence of us who were present at the same time of signing & sealing thereof

Robert Wilson.

Henry Clement.

Isaac L. Loucks

Godfried Ratto

Rowan County St. of N.C. Carolina Decbr: 24th 1809.
I John Rattledge of s^d State & County aforesaid being indisposed in Body but of a sound mind, calling to mind my mortality do make & ordain this my last will and test: to be as following
That my wife live on my land during her widowhood, and that she have her bed & cloths and one bay mare & her saddle the mare to be put to a good horse the Colt if any thereof to be given to my son Able.

My will is that my son Isaac have my black coat & waistcoat
That my daughter Margaret have her bed and cloaths & her spinning wheel & her saddle.

That my daughter Susanah have her bed and cloaths her spinning wheel & her saddle.

That my daughter Ann have her bed & cloaths & the price of a saddle out my estate & the price of a spinning wheel.

My will is that my son Able have my black horse and my saddle with all my land & cloaths except the above said.

My will is that my daughter Providence have a bed & cloaths & a spinning wheel, and saddle given her out of my estate

My will is that my three youngest milk cows be kept for the use of the family & all the hogs & sheeps & one bay for this winter provisions.

That all the pots & pewter cask & barrels and all other vessels be kept for the use of the family.

That all things not mentioned be sold and all my debt paid & the remainder or such a part as may be sufficient to move the house up to the other side of the spring

If there be any overplush let Abel & Prudence be scotched out of the same, and each of them have a bible given to them. If any remains to be equally divided amongst my legatees. I do hereby appoint T. Champelet & my wife executors, of this my last will hereby disannulling all & every other will or wills made by me in witness hereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal the day & year above written.

Signed, sealed and delivered
in presence of
Tobias McCahey jun
Nancy Cowan.

John Rutledge (seal)

In the name of God amen the 24 Day of October 1787. I Mary Rusal of Third creek Rowan County in the State of North Carolina, being old & apprehending not long to live in this world, do therefore make this my last will & testament, my daughter Sarah, Margaret, Mary & Elizabeth, & my son William & John, I leave them nothing, but my loving son George, I give demise & bequeath to him & to his heirs & assigns forever all & singular my estate both real & personal & further I do name ordain constitute & appoint him my said loving son George Rusal executor of this my last will & testament hereby revoking & disannulling all former & other wills, testaments, devises & executors by me heretofore named, ordained, appointed, ratifying & confirming this & no other, to be my last will & test. signed, sealed delivered, by the said Mary Rusal as her last will & test. in presence of
Samuel Young jun Mary Rusal (seal)

In the name of God Amen. I Samuel Ruess of Rowan County in the State of North Carolina, being weak of body but in perfect mind & memory, make this my last will & testament. First as my son Thomas Ruess has received the portion of my property which I have allowed him, I exempt him from any Share or claim of any part of my estate after my decease, secondly I will & bequeath unto my well beloved wife Mary Ruess, one Negro Man named George, during her widowhood; Thirdly I will & bequeath unto my son James Ruess an equal Share of the remainder of my estate both real & personal after my decease; yet so, as to include a horse which he has in possession. Item I will & bequeath unto my daughter Mary Alexander an equal part of the remainder of my estate both real & personal, which is my desire, shall be paid them directly after my decease, to be lived from such part of my property, as may be adequate to supplying the above mentioned persons (viz) James Ruess, & Mary Alexander, so that no part or parcel of my land may be disposed off for that purpose. Item I will & bequeath unto my son James Ruess the sum of fifty dollars, it being a legacy left the said James Ruess by his grand father James Weston which is now in my hands, to be lived out of my personal property. The remainder of my estate both real & personal I will & bequeath unto my well beloved wife Mary Ruess during her widowhood & for her comfort & convenience in bringing up the family, yet so that at the arrival of age or day of marriage of any of my children excepting those above mentioned that are provided for, during