

114 In the name of God Amen. I John Howard of the County of Rowan & State of North Carolina being being in a weak and low state of health but of perfect mind & memory calling to mind the mortality of my body do make & ordain this to be my last will and Testament. Therefore I give my soul to God that gave it and my body to be buried at the discretion of my Executors And as to what estate I am owner of I give & bequeath as follows. I give & bequeath unto my beloved wife Mary Howard all my real & personal estate whatsoever for & during her natural life except five shilling Sterling I have & bequeath unto my brother Matthew Howard oldest son of dear Howard & after his decease then I will that my aforesaid estate be sold at publick Vendue to the highest bidder and the money arising therefrom to be equally divided between my wife four sons and my wife's son David Craves two children after my just debts be paid and do hereby thus presently constitute & appoint William Herbert & Colclames Beauden to be the executors of this my last will & Testament disannulling and disannulling all other wills heretofore made by me in writing & confirming this to be my last will & Testament & no other. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal this twenty third day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred & eighty one

115 I signed sealed & delivered in presence of Ant: Newman & John Howard
Thomas Dibley Senr. & Joseph Biley

In the name of God Amen. I Joseph White of Rowan County & State of North being of perfect health & sound memory thanks be to God. calling unto mind the mortality of my body & knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my last will & Testament that is to say, principally and first of all I give & recommend my soul into the hands of almighty God that give it & my body I recommend to the earth to be buried in a decent Christian burial 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 hath pleased God to bless me in this life I give demise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form First I give & bequeath to my dearly beloved wife Elan White one negro Girl named Barb likewise my beloved wife I allow her her livelihood of the plantation I now live on during her widowhood likewise her choice of the beads that is one bead and furniture of it likewise one horse or more & saddle, likewise I allow my loving wife three cows and three calves. Secondly I give & bequeath unto my two sons David & William White all my land I