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and to be equally divided amongst my ^{wife &} Children
I do hereby appoint & constitute the Rev. Mr
William Hill, & my Son Andrew Hunt & Charles
Hunt my whole & sole Executors to this my Last will
and Testament Revoking all others whatsoever
ratifying & confirming & to be my last will & Testa-
ment In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand &
affixed my seal the Day & Year above written

Signed sealed pronounced
& declared goe the purpose
within mentioned in the

Presence of us

June 18 1782

Ebenezer Frost

David Crawford

Elizabeth Crawford

Jonathan Hunt



In the name of God Amen

I John Bourance of the County of Rowan and State
of North Carolina farmer being sick and weak in body
but of perfect mind and Memory, thanks be to God
for the same & calling into mind the Mortality of my
Body and knowing that it is appointed for all men
once to die. Do make and ordain this my last will
and Testament in the manner and form following
That is to say I Impowrer, I recommend my soul

into the hands of God who gave it me, and my Body
to the Earth from whence it came to be Buried in a decent
and Christian manner at the discretion of my Executors
In hopes of a joyfull Resurrection through the Merits of
my Saviour Jesus Christ, and as for that worldly
Estate wherewith it has pleased God to bless me with
in this life, I give devise and dispose of in the man-
ner following - That is to say first of all I do order
all my just and lawfull debts to be paid. And I
do give and bequith unto my well beloved & foster
Sister one black half faced horse and one Brown horse
with a bald face but one eye my Old Servant (Moses)
during her Widowhood. Likewise, Two hundred pounds
in money to be raised out of my Estate, if the money
rates at the time when she shall demand it, as it does
at this present time Dollar at a heap, but if it should
come to its former value a dollar at eight shillings
at the above said time of demand then she shall have
but thirty pounds likewise the use of my house I
now live in, and all my household furniture, likewise
my whole plantation on the west side of the Creek
I now live on, during her Widowhood, except Ten
Acres of the lower end of my Meadow with a strait
line from the Creek west to the Hill which I

likewise give unto my
 Beloved Wife four Cows and Calves of her own choosing two
 three year old others likewise Ten sheep of her own choosing
 likewise all my Hogs and geese for the support maintenance
 of these my Children which I had by her during her Widow
 hood and if it should please God to Remove her by death or if
 she should marry again before my two Sons Joshua & Alex-
 become of age then all the above movables to be equally
 divided between all my Children I had of her at the dis-
 cretion of my Executors, Likewise order that my Wife shall
 have the use of my Dutch plow and Wagon with the
 gears belonging to them likewise my Iron tooth Harrow
 likewise the use of Negro Boy called Ben for the term of
 eight years from the date hereof and no longer and after
 the expiration of the above said eight years that then my
 said Negro Boy shall be my beloved Sons Abrahams
 property, I also give unto my son John my money
 scales I also give unto my son Abraham my still
 and eight still kettles, also one Cow and Calf and three
 sheep I also give unto my son Andrew two sheep I also
 give unto my son Joshua both my old & young black
 Mares, I also give unto my Daughter Jane my black
 Mare called fly and her Yearling Colt I give to my
 Daughter Anne, I also give unto my son Jacob my
 Iron Horse and my three year old sparring Mare

Colt and one Cow and Calf, I also give unto my
 Daughter Agnes two sheep, I also give unto my
 Daughter Catherine two sheep, I also order that if my
 beloved wife should think it best for my son Jacob to
 live in a House by himself, that then he shall build a
 House on the East side of the Creek for himself to live in
 and shall have the use of the land on that side of the
 Creek on the above said plantation, and further if
 it should please my beloved wife to marry again, or if
 it should please God to Remove her by Death, that then
 after either of these, I do give unto my son Jacob, the whole
 plantation I now live on, with a proviso that he give
 or cause to be given unto my two younger sons Joshua
 and Alexander each of them when they come of age
 fifty pounds specie Currency of North Carolina, and if my
 son Jacob should not be willing to pay the money, that
 then the above said plantation shall be equally divided
 between my two younger sons namely Joshua and
 Alexander at the discretion of my Executors notwith-
 standing if my son Jacob should pay the above said
 money to said Joshua and Alexander, that then
 the said plantation shall be my son Jacobs not-
 withstanding if it should please God to Remove
 my son Jacob by Death and he

not having a Male Heir that then the said Plantation Inheritance shall be equally Divided between my two sons Joshua & Alexander. Nevertheless if my son Jacob should beget a living Male Heir, that then the above said Plantation shall be his property & only his the paying the above said moneys — I also order that what moneys I have at present shall be equally divided between my two sons moneys Joshua & Alexander. I likewise order that forty shillings be raised out of my Estate and given unto my Daughter Margaret or her first born son I also order that forty shillings be raised out of my Estate & given unto my Daughter Mary or her first born son, also I order that forty shillings be raised out of my Estate and given unto my Daughter Elizabeth or her first born son and further I order that the rest of my moveable effects which as my Executors shall not think proper to keep or divide amongst the Children, to be sold at public sale and the money arising therefrom to defray the Legacies I give to my Daughters or their Children, I also leave & appoint my well beloved Wife Ann Sprance, and my son John Sprance, and my son Abraham

Sprance and my friend John McCulloch to be the Executors of this my last Will and Testament And I do hereby utterly disavow revoke and disannul all and every other former Testaments Wills & legacies (and Executors by me in any way before this time named, written and bequeathed and Ratifying and confirming this and only this to be my last Will and Testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed seal this 20th day of April One thousand seven hundred and Eighty One Signed Sealed, Published, pronounced and declared by the said John Sprance as his last Will and Testament in the presence of

William Irvine
John Gray
John Greaney

John Sprance per [Signature]