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In the name of God I Herman Butner of North Carolina Rowan County being old but of good health & of perfect sound mind & memory, but calling to mind the mortality of my body & knowing it is appointed for all men once to die, do, make, & ordain this my last will & test: In manner & form following, First of all I give my soul into the hands of all mighty God, my body to be buried in the earth in a christian like manner, at the discretion of my executors, hereafter named, nothing doubting, but I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God. Now as touching my estate where with it had pleased God to bless me with for beyond my deserves I give & dispose of in the following manner & form.

First my will is that all my just debts be paid out of my personal estate. Item I give unto David Butner son of Adam Butner deceased one horse saddle & bridle. Item I give unto my grandson Herman Walton fifty pounds, to be paid to him within twelve month after my decease if there is so much rised out of my personal estate. If it not can not be rised out of my personal then when he arrived to the age of twenty one years he must have fifty acres of land out of the I now live on, or the worth in money at the choice of my executors. Likewise I leave him ten pound in money to pay his schooling. Likewise I give him the sd Herman Walton my grandson all my wearing cloaths the rest of all my estate real & personale I give unto my daughter Martha Walton & her

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husband Benjamin Walton & also appoint Benjamin Walton & his wife Martha Walton executors of this my last will & testament, revoking & disannulling all other wills by me heretofore made - allowing this & no other to be my last will & test: In witness where of I have here unto set my hand & seal 11 Day of May 1796.

signed, sealed & acknowledged

in presence of us.

Herman Butner (seal)

John Barclay.

Elizabeth ^{her} Purcell jun.

^{mark} T. ^{her} ^{mark} Buford

If not acknowledged before witness before my death the will to be proved my handwriting in other proper where I have signed my name & may call on witnesses enough to prove that

Herman Brown

Martha Walton

In the name of God Amen I Mary Brandon of North Carolina County of Rowan Being very weak of Body, but of sound mind & memory & disposal Thanks be to God for his mercy, & calling to mind the mortality of the body knowing it is appointed for all men once to die & after death to come to judgement - I commit my soul to God through our Lord Jesus Christ & my body to the earth to be decently buried in a christian like manner at the discretion of my executors hoping to have both, soul & body again united at the general resurrection by the mighty power of God - And as touching my worldly goods as it had pleased God to bless me with in this life. I give & dispose of in following manner,