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Of the christian part of the country & for the better execution of this my last will & testament, I do nominate & appoint my well beloved son George Berger & my well beloved friend Jacob Wagons The whole & sole Executors of this my last will & testament, revoking & disannulling all other wills by me heretofore made & do constitute & ordain this to be my last will & testament. In witness I have herunto subscribed my name & pronounce it to be my last will in the presence of the subscribing witnesses who in my presence subscribed their names as such

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In the name of God. Amen! I William Bowman of the County of Rowan & State of N^c Carolina, being in health of body & of sound mind & memory, & judgment thanks to God therefore. But being advanced in years & calling in mind the mortality of the body, & that it is appointed for all men once to die, being desirous to settle my worldly concerns in as just & equitable a manner as possible I can do make & ordain this my last will & testament in manner & form following Viz: principally & first of all I give & bequeath my soul to almighty God who gave it me & my body to the earth to be buried in a decent & christian manner nothing doubting but at the general resurrection

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I shall receive the same reunited to my soul by the almighty power of God, and as touching such worldly substance as is had pleased God to bless me in this life I give & bequeath in manner & form following.

Viz I give & bequeath unto my loving wife Elizabeth Bowman her bed & furniture, all the household furniture her choice of my horses, a good saddle one fourth part of my cattle & sheep & my negro woman Amy, & if the said negro Amy should have any more children, the first I desire to be given to my daughter Mary & the next to my daughter Elizabeth & at the death of my wife said negro to be equally divided between my daughters.

To my son Samuel Bowman I give & bequeath two hundred & forty acres of land in Cumberland & all my wearin apparel. To my son John Bowman I give & bequeath two hundred acres of land in Cumberland settlement.

To my son James Bowman I give & bequeath two hundred acres of my land in Cumberland.

To my Son Joseph Bowman I give & bequeath the plantation whereon I now live with all the tools & utensils of husbandry thereunto belonging, one fourth part of my books. The land to be valued by two or three men indifferently chosen & one third of said valuation to be divided between my daughters Anne, Mary & Elizabeth. if Negro Amy should have two more children & bestowed according to my bequest, but if she had no children, I desire that one third of the valuation of said land to be given to my daughter

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Mary & Elizabeth. Also I give my son Joseph my negro boy Moses, & all the residue of my horses.

To my daughter Anne I bequeath my negro girl Mista her bed & furniture, horse & saddle, chest, & one fourth part of my cows & sheeps & books.

To my daughter Mary I give & desire her bed & furniture horse & saddle & chest & one fourth of my cows, sheeps & books.

To my daughter Elizabeth I give & bequeath her bed & furniture, horse & saddle, chest & one fourth of my cattle & sheeps & my books.

My will & desire further is that my sons Samuel John, & James three years after my death do each of them pay to my grand son William Bowman Son of Samuel Bowman ten pounds out of the land bequeathed to them in Cumberland settlements on the western waters, which money I desire to be put to interest until he arrives of age of twenty one years and if he should die before this time to be equally divided between my surviving daughters further I wish & desire that my waggon & gears, my clock & smiths tools be sold to pay my debts.

Lastly I do nominate constitute & appoint my loving wife Elizabeth Bowman my son Samuel Brown & son Joseph Bowman my executors of this my last will & testament & I do utterly revoke & disannul all former will or wills by me made & executors by me appointed, ratifying & confirming this & this

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only as my last will & testament.

In witness whereof I have set my hand & seal this 12th day of June 1792 & in the presence of the subscribers who have witnessed the same in my presence & in the presence of each other the day & year above written.

Witness.

Sam^l Brandon Jun.

Thos Tray.

Peggy Brandon

William Bowman (seal)

In the name of God Amen!

I Thomas Bell of the county of Rowan & State of N^c Carolina, being advanced in years & in a low state of health but of sound mind & judgement, but called in mind the mortality of the body & that it is appointed for all men once to die, Being desirous to settle my worldly affairs in as just & equitable a manner as possible. Do make & ordain this my last will & testament, principally & first of all I give my soul to almighty God who gave it and my body to the earth to be buried in a decent & christian like manner at the discretion of my executors hereafter mentioned nothing doubting but at the general resurrection I shall receive the same reunited to my body by the almighty power of God. And as touching such worldly substance as it had pleased God to bless me with in this life, I give & bequeath in the following manner & form.

I give & bequeath unto my loving wife Catharine Bell one half of the plantation whereon I now live during her natural life.