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In the name of God Amen the tenth of May
in the year of our Lord one thousand eight
hundred and thirty nine, I James Harris
of the County of Putnamford ~~of the State of~~
North Carolina being somewhat stricken in
years, and withal at present indisposed in
body yet of sound mind and memory thanks
be to God for his great mercy to me, I do by these
presents make and ordain this to be my last
will and testament in the following manner
and form — First recommending my soul to
God and my body to the Earth to be decently
buried at the discretion of my executors,
and as touching such worldly estate which
God hath pleased to bless me in this life I give
divide and dispose of the same as follows to my
beloved wife Patience I do allow all my possession
stocks and furniture during life or widowhood,
but if she marry I allow her one third of the
land and a child's part of the property — To my
son Laddock Harris I give the negro man Bob to be
his together with all he has had from me to the present
date; and to my son John Washington Harris
I give the negro woman Patty and her child
together with all other property he has received
until this date; and to my daughter Lacey
Williams and the heirs of her body the negro girl
Delpia with all other property received by
her till date; and to my daughter Sally Elliott
I give the negro girl Nancy with all property
she has received from me till this date —
and also eighty dollars over and above
And to my Grand daughter Lavinia
Elliott the negro boy Sam and all the property

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she has received till this day — and to my Grand
daughter Delpia Sedberry I do allow this hundred
dollars to be paid out of my estate at the discretion
of my Executors either in property or money as they
may see she stands in need of it; and after this
allocution of myself and wife it is my will that all
other property now coming be equally divided between
my four children Laddock, John Washington, Lacey
and Sally — I do by these presents appoint my
sons Laddock and John Washington Harris Executors
to this my last will and testament. —

Signed sealed and declared
in the presence of us by the
said James Harris

Witness James Harris puts James Harris
Harris
William Harris
mark

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State of North Carolina, Putnamford County
In the name of God. Amen
I Elijah M. Hann being weak in body but
of perfect mind and memory, Calling to mind
the mortality of the body that it is ordained for
all men once to die, I do make and ordain
this my last will & testament, first and principally
I recommend my soul to Almighty God that
gave it and my body to the earth to be buried
in a decent Christian manner — and as
touching such worldly estate as it has pleased
God to bless me with in this life I give and bequeath
in the following manner that is,

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First. All my just debts to be paid and after the payment of my debts, the plantation on which I live with the present crop and stock of every kind farming tools and household furniture, and every kind of property which I possess, money on hand and outstanding debts, I give and bequeath to my loving wife Elizabeth M. Mann to be and remain hers and to her proper use during her natural life, and after her death, all to be sold and the money arising from the sale to be equally divided amongst all my children. - And I also constitute my wife Elizabeth M. Mann executrix of this my last will and testament ratifying this my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 29th day of December 1829. -

Signed sealed & acknowledged

in presence of -

Mos. Logan

James M. Mann (son)

Elijah M. Mann (son)

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In the name of God Amen. I Daniel Wortman of the County of Rutherford and State of North Carolina being in perfect mind and memory thanks be given unto God, calling to 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, that is to say principally and first of all I give and recommend my soul unto the hands of Almighty God that gave it and my body I recommend to the earth from whence it came to be buried in decent Christian burial at the discretion of my executors, hoping at the general resurrection I 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 - Viz - First. I give and bequeath to my son Daniel Wortman that portion of land situate lying and being on the head of Woods Creek agreeable as his deed of Conveyance calls for - let it more or less but estimated at one hundred and twenty five acres. Secondly I give and bequeath to my son-in-law John Hoyle and his wife to wit my daughter Rebecca Hoyle one hundred and twenty five acres of land lying and being on the head of Knot Creek and Woods Creek agreeable to the deed of Conveyance also that I have heretofore made to him be it more or less. - 3^{dly} I also give and bequeath to my son Henry Wortman one hundred & thirty three acres of land lying on Coxes Creek wherupon he now lives agreeable to his deed of Conveyance which I have heretofore made him be it more or less. - 4th I give and bequeath to my son Michael Wortman one hundred and thirty three acres wherupon he