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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 two 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 Lewis Harris Junr James Harris Esqr
H Harris Senr
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,