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In the name of God Amen. I Robert Hocks of Wayne County and State of North Carolina, being of sound and perfect mind and memory, do this Eleventh Day of September, in the Year of Our Lord 1793 make and publish this my last Will and Testament in manner following that is to w^{it}ss.
First I give and bequeath, to my beloved Wife Sally, Hocks one fifth part of all my Negroes, Horses, Cattle Hops and Sheep, and one fifth part of all the Rest of my Personal Estate. And I also lend to her all the Plantations whereon I now live, with all privileges thereunto belong-
ing concluding 229 Acres, also all the Land to the first Branch above the Plantation: Thence up the said Branch to the back Line of said survey, then a long said Line that leads from the Clay Ford, against the little Marsh, thence a North coast to Buck Swamp or the Mill Pond, and my part of said Mill, and after her Decease, I give and bequeath the said Lands and premises to my Child that my Wife is now going with, if it should be a Boy, and if the Child that my Wife is now going with should be a Girl, I give the Land and premises to my beloved Son Hattery Hocks him and his Heirs and Assigns for ever, upon the said Hattery's paying unto the said Child if it should be a Girl, One Hundred Pounds,

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Good and Lawful Money of said State. I also give
and bequeath to my beloved Son Washington Trask all
the Remainder of that Tract or parcel of Land lying on
Brush Swamp, it being part of a Patent bearing Date
November the 5th 1778. also 95 Acres of another
Patent bearing Date the 7.th of August 1779. Joining
that part I sold to Samuel Slaughter, to him and his
Heirs and Assigns for ever. — It is my Will that
after my Wifes part of . . . acres is settled off that the
Rest of them should be Thred out by my Exe^r. untill
my Eldest Son arrives to the Age of Twenty Years, and
then to be Equally Divided by Lots amongst all my
Children, as well that as my Wife is now going with as
the Rest equals ~~between them three~~ alike, and it is my
Will that the rest of my Negroes after the Eldest Child
has his part Settled off to him, should be Thred out
untill the next Eldest Child arrives to the Age of
Twenty Years and then her part Settled off as the others
and then the others to be Thred out untill the other next
Eldest Child arrives to the Age of Twenty years and the
Money arising from such Negroes how to be Equally
Divided amongst my Children, as they arrive to the Age
of Twenty Years, if any besides what is expended in
Schooling, Boarding, Cloathing, and otherwise expended
in raising and bringing up the said Children —

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I give and bequeath to my beloved Son William
Hooks that Part or Parcel of Lying on Little River in
the West of the River that lies above the lowest Branch
in the said Grant, the said Grant containing 216 Acres
and being Date February the 29th 1788. to him and his
Heirs and Assigns forever. It is also my Will that
my Wife shall have the same House, for her share
of the House, if it is her desire, and it is my Will
that all the rest of my Estate after my Wife's part
is Settled of to her, to be sold by my Ex^{rs} and the
Money arising from said sale to be Equally divided
among all my Children Equally share and share alike
after paying all my Debts and other necessary expenses.
And I do appoint and make my beloved Wife Sally
Hooks, Phillip Raynor and William Hooks (Son.) my
whole and sole Ex^{rs} In Witness whereunto I have
set my hand and seal this Day and Date above Written -
Signed Sealed in the
presence of us -

Rob^t Hooks Esq.

William Lloyd
Josiah Wise
Sarah Lloyd

Oct. Term 1793