

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN, The Twenty Eighth of December 1789

I, Peter Starns of South Carolina Campden District being weak in Body but of perfect mind and memory calling to mind the Mortality of my Body as knowing it is appointed for all men once to dy, do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament, and first and principally of all I recommend my Soul into the Hands of God, that gave it, and my Body I recommend to the Earth to be Buried at the Descretion of my Friends, and as touching what World Goods it has been pleased God to blefs me with I give, Devise and Dispose of in manner & form following, That is to say, FIRST, It is my desire that all my just debts be paid without Trouble or Suits of Law. ITEM. I give and Bequeath unto my well beloved Wife Margret Starns one Feather Bed & Furniture Two Cows and Calves all my Swine. One horse, Saddle and Bridle, the Horse the choice of any that is of my Property, One Iron pot, Two spinning Wheels a large one, and a small one, One plow and Coers, and a Ward 1787-1791 the Remainder of

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Also I lend to her the use of my Plantation whereon I now dwell and the premises thereon during her Widowhood, and the remainder of the moveables if she sees cause to keep it together.

ITEM. I have six of my Eldest Children four sons and two Daughters Viz. my Four Sons Charles Starns Ebenezer Starns, Levi / Starns & Joel Starns, my two Daughters Rhoda Megraw and Thama Free I have already bestowed on them such Legacies as I have ability to do, and as so I give and bequeath unto each and every of them one Shilling Sterling many to them and their Heirs for ever ITEM, My two younger Sons Joshua Starns and Peter Starns I give and Bequeath unto them the Remainder part of moveables, and One hundred and Sixteen Acres of Land where on I now live to be equally divided between them, to them and their Heirs for ever, beginning at Edward McGraws West corner and running a West Line to Col. Hunters line and Joshua to have the part

where I now live, and if either of my two younger Sons mentioned should ~~be~~ ~~both~~ ~~of~~ ~~age~~ ~~to~~ ~~receive~~ ~~their~~ ~~inheritance~~, that Legacies bequeathed to them should be equally divided by lawful Sale, and the forementioned Land containing one hundred and Sixteen Acres be sold ~~Per to~~ ~~Equally~~ ~~divided~~, ~~Half~~ ~~the~~ ~~money~~ ~~divided~~ between my Six Children and the other half Equally between my Wifs Two Sons Arthur Parr and John Parr and as for moveables to be divided, between my Daughter Thamar Free, and my Wifes Three Daughters, Mary Arwin, Esther, McGraw and Margaret McGraw, and I appoint John Parr To act as an Executor, with my Wife, Margaret Starns, Executrix, to this my Last Will and Testament, and do hereby County of Wilkes, N.C. 1791 and make void all other Wills, ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament. In Witnefs whereof I hereunto set <sup>my</sup> Hand and Seal, the Day & Year above written.

Signed, Sealed and Acknowledged)

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in the presence of us- ---

Peter Starns (SEAL)

David McGraw J r.

Eden Andrews

Elisha Hunter

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