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Thomas Howell

In the Name of God Amen the 10th day of February 1794 I Thomas Howell of Guilford County in the State of North Carolina being tho' weak in body yet of sound & perfect memory calling to mind the mortality of my Body & knowing that it is appointed all men once to die do make & senden this my last will & Testament in manner & form following that is to say I give & recommend my soul to the hands of Almighty God who gave it & my Body to the earth to be buried in a Christian manner at the discretion of my Executors hereafter mentioned not Doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall receive the same by the mighty power of God & as touching such worldly Estate as I hath please the Almighty God to Bless me I give & bequeath of the same in the manner & form following I give & bequeath to my son Matthew Howell to him & his heirs forever my two Negro fellows Dick & King: I give & bequeath to my son in Law James Wood to him & his heirs forever two Negro fellows Dick & Tom: I give & bequeath to my Grandson William Shinner the Land & bought of Thomas Shanks as well as what apper by deed from said Shanks one feather Bed & furniture my young sonel I give also my negroe boy Dick my negroe woman Leticia also my two negroe boys & let to him & his heirs as lawfully begotten of his body with all their future increase of the said Shinner as well as what I give lawfully begotten then my desire is that what I give him may be Equally divided among all my Children