

William Hooker Will - 1717 NC

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In The Name of God Amen I William Hooker Senr. of the Precinct of Chowan in the Counyt of Albemarle in the Province of North Carolina being in Sound and perfect memory thanks be to almighty God for the same but calling to mind the farilty and mortality of man and that it is appointed for all men once to die I do hereby make constitute appoint and ordain this to be my last will and testament in manner and form following -

First - my soul I recommend into the hands of almighty God that gave it hoping through the merit of my Blessed Redeemer to recieve as joyful resurrection at the last day my body to be buried in such Christian like manner as to my Execr hereafter named shall seem meet and as toucching such worldly estate as hath pleased almighty god to bestow on me in this transitory world I dispose of the same in manner and form following
First to my eldest son **William Hooker Junr** I give this Plantation whereon I now live with all the land adjoining thereunto within the bounds hereafter mentioned Viz. beginning at the mouth of the Barron branch & running up the sd branch to Col. Pollocks line then along his line to the head of the deep branch that issues out of St. Catty Gutt then down the sd branch to St. Catty Gutt then down thesd St. Catty Gutt to Wickacorn Creek then down the Creek to the first station and one other parcell of land bounded & beginning at the head of the deep branch afsd - then along the Path that leads from the house to the main road to go downwards to Sandy Runn then down Sandy Runn to the lower line then along the said line to Col Pollocks line - then along the sd line to the firts station. Containing by estimation two hundred acres of land to him and his heirs for ever.

To my son **Godfree** Hooker I give two hundred and fifty acres of land by estimation beginning at the mouth of the deep branch then along the deep branch to Col. Pollock's Corner tree standing on the head of the deep branch then along the house road to the Main Road then down the Main Road to the headline then along the headline to a marked Poplar being a Corner tree near the head of the long branch then along a line of marked trees to a cary branch that makes out of the west side of St Catty Gutt then down the sd branch to St Catty Gutt then up the said St Catty Gutt to the first station which sd land I give to my son Godfree Hooker afore mentioned and his heirs for ever.

To my son in law **Samll Sisemores** I give one Parcell of land beginning on the main road at the head line then along the head line to a corner tree standing in a branch that Issues out of Sandy Runn then down the said branch to Sandy Runn then up Sadny Runn to the house road then along the sd road to the first station being by estimation One hundred & twenty acres of land be the same more of less whcih sd land I give to him and his heirs for ever.

To: my grandson **William Lewis** I give one two year old Heipher with all her increase for ever.

All my stock of hoggs and cattle I devise should be equally divided between my two sons already mentioned except one cow and yearling which was given by me to my son

Godfree with their increase for ever and that my son **Godfree** keep my own proper marke and I give him one bay Mair with all her increase for ever

To: my son **Wm Hooker** I give one Mair filly with all her increase for ever

To: my daughter **Ann Evans** I give one shilling to be paid out of my estate

My daughters **Bridgett Man, Margaret Lewis, Jane Brown and Elizabeth Sisemore** being already married have recieved what I desire they should have and my desire that they come in for no more of my estate

and I desire that at my decease my son **Godfree Hooker** should be free and at his own disposing and to take his land and stock into possession.

Lastly I constitute appoint and ordain my eldest son **Willian Hooker** to be the whole executor of this my last will and testament utterly renouncing and making all former wills and wills by me formerly made ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last will and testament in wittnesswhereof I have hereunto set my hand and sffixed my seal this eighth day of Janry in the year of Our Lord 1716/17.

Signed Sealed Published

and acknowledged in the

presence of us

William Crawford

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William [X] Hooker Snr

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Letters granted July 14th 1718