

In the Name of God Amen, the Twenty Second  
Day of February in the year of our Lord one thou-  
sand Seven hundred Seventy Nine, I Joel Barker  
of Wake County and State of North Carolina being  
Sick in Body but of good and sound Memory think  
to almighty God for his Mercys, do make constitute  
and appoint, this my Last Will and Testament, in  
Manner and form following, first Remembering that  
my Soul must Return to almighty God who gave it  
hoping to be saved by the Merits of Jesus Christ  
and now for the settling of my worldly Estate, and  
such Goods & Chattels as it hath pleased God to bestow  
upon me, first I will that all my Just Debts, that  
I owe in Right to any manner of person, be adjusted  
and paid, by my Executors here after Named within  
Convenient time after my decease

Item Imprimis I Give and bequeath to my well  
beloved Son Edmonds Barker one Negro Man known  
and called, by the Name of Harry, to him and his  
and assigns for ever.

Item Imprimis I Give and bequeath to my well beloved  
Son Lewis Barker one Negro Woman called and  
known by the <sup>name</sup> of Abb to him his Heirs and assigns  
for ever

Item Imprimis I leave as much of <sup>my</sup> Stock of horses  
Cattle hogs and Sheep and other of my parrishable  
Estate to be sold, <sup>by my Executors</sup> as will amount to the sum of  
three hundred Pounds and the said moneys so raised  
to be Equally Divided between my three Grandchildren  
that is to say Julius Huff Edmonds Huff & Allen Huff  
and to be paid unto them Each his Dividen at his  
Coming of age or at the age of twenty one years by  
my Executors and if either of them should dye before  
he shall Cum of age yet the whole sum to be Equally  
Divided between the Survivors, and if they should <sup>all dye</sup>

before they cum to the age of Twenty one years  
then the whole sum to <sup>between</sup> Jaquelly Devideo my two sons  
Edmonds Barker and Lewis Barker to them and their  
Heirs or assigns for ever - and my will and Desires  
that all and every part of the Residue of my  
Estate after Selling so much as shall raise the  
sum of three hundred pounds as before mentioned to  
Wholey and fully belong to my Son Lewis Barker  
his Heirs or assigns for ever, and this, and this only is  
to be taken for my Last will and Testament Revoking  
and Annulling all other wills by me made here tofore  
and do Constitute and appoint my well beloved and  
Trusty Sons Edmonds Barker and Lewis Barker  
Executors of this my last will and Testament  
Signed Sealed and acknowledged <sup>underlined before signed with the</sup>  
<sup>words Name of my self by my Executors</sup>

Presence of  
John Simmons  
Rachel Simmons Jurat  
Aaron Read Jurat  
Soel Barker  
mark

Wake County March Term 1779 -

There was the Execution of the within Will in  
Open Court duly proved by the Oath of Aaron Read a Witness  
there to and ordered to be Recorded.

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John White