## Henry Brewer, of Chatham Co., North Carolina Will, September 2, 1778

In the Name of god amen I Henry Brewer of Chatham County North carolina being weak of Body But of Sound mind and memory thanks be to almighty god for the same therefore Calling to mind the mortality of my Body and knowing it is appointed for all men once to die do make and order this to be my Last will and testament in manner and form as followeth first and principile I recommend my immortal soule into the hands of almighty god that gave it me hoping through the merits of my *blessed* redeemer to inherit life Everlasting and as to my mortal body I Commit it to the earth from whence it was taken to Be Buried at the discretion of my executor hereafter mentioned first my will is that all my just debts be payd Secondly I leave my wordly Goods as followeth first I give to my son George Brewer half the mill and the land above strate from the mouth of the race Strate to the spring whare *hede lies* and from there down the branch to the river [tear in page] to him his heirs and assigns forever Item I give to my son Henry Brewer the land and plantaten from sd mouth of cr follow an east Course to my back line to him his heirs and assigns forever Item I give to my son Hubbard Brewer the land from the great spring Branch from an oak tree a south Course to a point above the field that Benjamin Brewer Clared and and from thence to a pond neare the back line and so to the back line to him his heirs and assigns for Ever Item leave to my beloved wife Mary Brewer the plantation whereon I now do liv and all the Land thereto belonging and half the mill during her natural life or widowhood and after her death or marriage to be equally divided between my son Isaac Brewer and my son Oliver Brewer to them their heirs and assigns for Ever Item I give to my son Isaac Brewer one black mare branded then HB and her increase to him his heirs and assigns for Ever Item I give to my son Oliver Brewer one Bay mare branded then HB to him his heirs and assigns forever Item I give to my daughter An Parker one Shilling Sterling to her her heirs and assigns forever Item I give to my son Hubbard Brewer the bed and furniture that he lays in for Commion to him his heirs and assigns forever Item I give to my daughter Mary Brewer one bed and furniture to her her heirs and assigns forever Item I give to my daughter Sarah Brewer one bed and furniture to her her heirs and assigns forever Item I give to my three daughters namely Rebeccah Brewer and Francis Brewer and Alisen Brewer ten pounds apeace to them their heirs and assigns forever Lastly I constitute and appoint my beloved wife Mary Brewer and my son George Brewer executrix and executor of this my Last will and testament in witness [words crossed through] where of I hereunto set my [h] and and affix my Seale this Second day of September in the year of our Lord Christ one thousand Seven hundred Sevety Eight

Signed & Sealed in presence of us

James Smith	his	
Moses Smith	Henry X Brewer	{{seal}}
Howell <b>H</b> Brewer	mark	

February Court 1779 The Above will duly executed in open Court by the oath of Moses Smith and Ordered to be Registered

To wit AClark C.C

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