

**Will, NC, Wake, William Utley 1780**

In the name of God, Amen.

I **WILLIAM UTLEY SENIOR** of the county of Wake in North Carolina, planter, being in perfect health, mind and memory, and calling to mind my mortality, do make and ordain this my last will & testament in manner following.

IMPRIMIS, I give unto my well beloved wife **ELIZABETH [UTLEY]** her choice of all my horse flesh either horse mare or gelding and two cows and calves and her choice of feather bed and furniture and such household stuff and provisions as she shall think fit to keep. And during her natural life I lend her the use & profit of my negro woman **CLOCK** and my dwelling plantation and after my wife's decease the negro woman, if alive, to go with my son **LITTLETON [LITTLE JOHN] UTLEY** any one of my children as they shall think proper to take him for ... to work for the maintenance of the said **LITTLETON [LITTLE JOHN] UTLEY**.

ITEM I give to my son **HEZEKIAH [UTLEY]**, after my wife's death, all my land and [not intelligible] it to work it or take the profits of it in his life none except my dwelling place plantation but if my said son **HEZEKIAH UTLEY** should die without lawful issue then for the said land to be sold and the money divided among all my sons and daughters or if deceased, the representatives of any one of them to inherit their parental part and if the said **HEZEKIAH** hath any lawful issue then the said land to him and to his heirs and assigns forever. Also one cow and calf and one feather bed and furniture.

And all the rest of my estate I desire may be divided among all my children at the discretion of my son **JACOB UTLEY** and **HARDY SANDERS**, either by lot or sale or part of both and if any of my children should be dead, for their children or child whether born or in "Ventria Sa Maria" [in the womb] to inherit it's parental part, my said children as so have this division is by name: **JOHN UTLEY, WILLIAM UTLEY, JACOB UTLEY, ISHAM UTLEY, DAVID UTLEY, HEZEKIAH UTLEY, LUCY [UTLEY] SANDERS, and CYNTHIA [UTLEY MYATT] MIATE**.

And I do nominate and and appoint the above said **JACOB UTLEY** and **HARDY SANDERS** to be my only executors of this my last will and testament, declaring this to be my last will and testament.

In witness whereof, I the said **WILLIAM UTLEY SENR.** have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this twenty third day of December in the year of Christ one thousand seven hundred and eighty.

**WILLIAM UTLEY** {seal}

Signed, sealed and declared in the presence of

**AUGUSTUS BALTHASAR TURNER**  
**JASPER MELCHIOR TURNER, Jurat**

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