

I then 3rd I hereby appoint nominate & constitute my most worthy & trusty friends cousin Sam & son Jackson Simkins & son William the Executors of this my last will. And I also hereby set aside and make void all other wills heretofore by me made and hereby publish & constitute this my only proper last will & testament.

In witness whereof I the above signed Thos. Williams have hereunto set my hand & seal the day and date above written

Test-

Geo Little

W. Auction

Thos Williams

State of North Carolina October Term 1842 then the above last will and testament was exhibited in open Court and duly proven by the oath of Marcus Auction one of the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded.

H. D. Boggan Clk.

In the name of God Amen I John H. County of the State of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory thank be given unto God calling unto mind the mortality of my body and knowing it is appointed unto all men once to die do make and declare this my last will & testament that is to say principally & first of all I give and recommend my soul to Almighty God that gave it and my body I recommend to earth to be buried in a decent Christian burial at the discretion of my Executors nothing doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall receive it again by the help of Almighty God and as touching such worldly Estate which I have I have given and do give in the following manner and form.

1st I give my Brother Robert H. County the sum of three dollars in cash to be paid out of my real and personal Estate after all my debts be paid.

2nd I give my Sister Sarah Pearson the sum of three dollars in cash to be paid out of my real & personal Estate after my debts be paid.

3rd I give unto my sister Elizabeth County the sum of three dollars in cash to be paid out of my real & personal Estate after all my debts be paid.

4th I give unto my sister Sam Caldwell the sum of three dollars in cash to be paid out of my real & personal Estate after all my debts be paid.

5th I give unto my sister Lucina Lockhart and her heirs all the remainder part of my Probate both real & personal Estate and every other thing that belongs to me after receiving enough of the same to pay my just debts.

I do hereby make and declare I am Lockhart my Executor to my last will and testament.

In witness my hand and seal this November 14th day 1842

Test Geo. Little

Geo. S. Catlett

John H. County

January Term 1843.

Then the above will was duly proven in open Court by the oath of Geo. S. Catlett and ordered to be recorded & I am Lockhart qualified as Executor and obtained letters Testamentary.

H. D. Boggan Clk.

State of North Carolina - Elizabeth Alcobrooke of the County of Anson
 mind and disposing memory, but knowing the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death, do make and declare this my last will and testament
 Item I will that all my just debts shall be paid as here in after directed.

- Item I give unto my daughter Abeline F. Boggan and to her heirs my negro girl Sarah.

- Item I give unto my daughter Delphine F. Bogan and to her heirs my negro boy Luke.

- Item I give unto my daughter Nancy S. Timmons and to her heirs my negro woman Charish and my Loom.

- Item I give unto my son Thomas Lewis one bed & furniture & one chest.

- Item I give unto my son Stephen H. Alcobrooke my negro girl Hannah and my negro boy Joe also all my furniture of every description - all my stock & crop that may be on hand at my death, also my interest in the land of which my late husband Samuel Alcobrooke died seized and conveyed in the State of South Carolina to his use during his life then to his lawful children but if he should die having no children or having children they shall die without leaving issue before they respectively attain the age of twenty one years then the above named negroes shall go to my three daughters

Abeline Delphine and Nancy equally or to their heirs.
 Item I will that my debts shall be paid after the following manner viz that Abeline F. Boggan shall pay one hundred dollars if said debts shall amount to that much and if they should amount to more then Delphine and Nancy shall pay each in proportion to the value of the property they receive all the balance said property to be valued by men who they may choose unless they can agree on the same. Witness my hand & seal this the 8th October 1841

Elizabeth Alcobrooke
 St. G. Jones & Jany Term 1843 then this
 Burnell Henry } will was proven in open Court

State of North Carolina - John Beverly of said State
 Anson County } and County, being fully aware of the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death and being well shaken in mind and the infirmities commonly attached to a advanced life in feebleness of body but still being blessed with very usual mental faculties and having still a sound mind and memory and feeling thankful for the same to him who gave it.

I do make, ordain and publish this my last will & testament in the following terms viz - It is my will & desire that all my just debts be paid out of my Estate or the proceeds thereof, and that all my Estate real and personal be sold in a credit of mine or twelve months if left what is herein after disposed of the time of credit to be left to the discretion of my Executors and that an equal division of the proceeds of all my Estate be equally divided amongst all my children or their representatives - all legacies hereafter named excepted I give to my beloved grand daughter Martha Threadyell who and her husband live with her over and above the use of my lands and plantation heretofore had, one feather bed and full furniture for and in consideration of her attention to me in my declining years.

I give to my son William Beverly all the tract of land on which I now reside heretofore deeded to him with the reservation of my life estate, and I wish the title to him by this will to be confirmed at my death and the Remnant of a small tract which I canted between the tract on which I live & a tract which I gave to my son Jesse Beverly of which tract I gave two acres to my son Nathan Beverly on which Lewis St. Beverly my Grandson now lives I wish the balance of said tract sold as above directed and that my executor make and execute a title to the purchaser for the same.

but consisting a few say from five to eight acres and the proceeds to be considered as part of my Estate, subject to an equal division amongst all my children now

living and having representatives namely
Jesse, Hezekiah, John, Lydia, Valentine, Abner,
Elizabeth Lancer James Beverly William Beverly
& Art. - Beverly being all now living or were
the last account I had of them. I also wish
all debts due me to be collected and an equal
division of all this & all the other proceeds of my
estate equally divided as herein above directed
amongst the above named children -

I hereby nominate and appoint my beloved son
Nathan Beverly my Executor to this my last
will and testament -

In witness whereof I do hereunto set my hand
and seal August 16th 1842 -

In presence of
Sam Henderson
John H. Flake

John Beverly

Witness, Term 1843 -

The above will was exhibited in open
Court and duly proven by the oaths of William
Henderson and John H. Flake the subscribing
witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded
Nathan Beverly qualified as Executor and
obtained letters Testamentary.

M. D. Boggan Clk.

I Duncan McKenzie of the County of Anson and State
of North Carolina being now advanced in years and
suffering much in body at present and in all prob-
ability my life drawing a close yet being of sound
mind & memory I consider it a blessing and a priv-
ilege under the laws of my County to dispose of
my property with which God has blessed me with at
my own will & pleasure I therefore do make this my
last will and testament in manner & form following
that is to say 1st That my Executor hereinafter named
shall provide my body a decent burial according to the
Christian order suitable to the wishes of my children
and friends and to pay all funeral expenses
together with my last debts however and
to whomsoever owing out of the proceeds that
may first come into him for me as last of my
estate -

2nd - give and bequeath to my son-in-law Thomas
Hardison two hundred acres of land for which he
has a deed for one hundred & three 1800 as his
part of my estate to himself & his heirs forever -
3rd - give and bequeath to my daughter Nancy McKenzie
one hundred acres of land of the tract of land on
which I live the same to include the dwelling house
and all the out houses connected therewith and also
I give and bequeath twenty five acres of land on
Jones Creek being a part of two tracts of land one
of fifty the other of forty acres the said twenty five
acres to be the last bounded down the creek of said tract.
I also give and bequeath one negro girl slave named
Easter about 3 years old with her future increase
forever also one horse of her own choice out of my
stock of horses, one cow one half the stock of sheep
of her own choosing to herself and her heirs forever -
4th - I give and bequeath to my grandsons Hugh and
Hector children of my son John one negro man
(slave) named Lither to themselves & their heirs forever -
It is my will and desire that my Executor sell at
public auction on a credit of twelve months all the real and
personal property which I may be in possession
of at my death - except the land given to my son-in-law

Thomas & Ann the land and negro girl either given to my daughter Nancy and the residue of stock to her also the negro man Peter given to my grandsons Leigh and Peter that is the balance of my land negro stock & even sort crops on said land negro children furniture plantation utensils the proceeds of which together to form the sum of \$1000 & also the balance of which goes to the payment of the debts and expenses above specified and such commissions to my executor as the county court of said county may allow for his trouble as equitable and just.

Item I give and bequeath to my grand daughter Alexander McHenry the sum of \$1000 to be equally divided amongst the children of my daughter Nancy and my grand children John, Sam, Catherine, and Thomas children of John McHenry that is three fourths of the children or survivors of them one share and fourth I do hereby constitute and appoint my trusty friend Augustus McHenry my lawful executor to all intents and purposes to execute this my last will and testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same and every part thereof.

In witness whereof I the said Thomas McHenry do revoke and annul all former wills made by me and I make public and publish this and this alone my last will and testament and do hereunto set my hand and seal this 29th December Ad. 1842

Witness my hand and seal this 29th December Ad. 1842
 Augustus McHenry
 my lawful executor
 in the presence of us who at his request and in his presence do set our names as witnesses thereto
 Nathaniel S. Jones
 Jesse S. Jones
 John S. Jones

State of North Carolina
 Anson County

Superior Court of Law
 Spring Term 1843

Whereas at the present term of our said Court the following case to wit James Struett and Eliza T. Long in support of the will of William Pratt dec. against said Struett came up for hearing the issue of Devisee's claim

Whereupon the subscribing persons were sworn and examined a jury to find and issue to wit Lyron S. Mear George Macke Truman C. Long Robert Hunter Robert Payne Thos. J. Sells William Hamilton Solomon B. Mear John Dick Henry Bellman Jas. A. Grace Lewis M. McHenry who rendered their verdict as follows viz. that they find the paper which is hereunto attached & exhibited upon it to be the last will and testament of William Pratt deceased and that he is the same

Eliza T. Long one of the devisees of the same came off and was qualified in the Pratt the widow sister in law to the will of our husband.

In testimony whereof I have signed this of Superior Court of Law for the said county have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of said Court at office the 2nd Monday next March A.D. 1843
 Jp. the 10th April 1843
 Wm. H. Bell

State of North Carolina
 Anson County

Superior Court of Law
 Spring Term 1843

James Struett
 Eliza T. Long
 William Pratt
 Samuel Pratt

In this case it is ordered by the Court that a writ of Proceles issue to the worshipful the Justices of the Court of said Anson County commanding them to have the will and the proceedings of this Court recorded according to law.

The worshipful Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions in and for said County will therefore have the same recorded as directed.

Witness Calvin Myers clerk of our said Superior Court of law for said County at office in Hadesboro the 2nd Monday in March A.D. 1843
Signed the 1st April 1843. C. Myers

State of North Carolina

Anson County in the County of Anson and State of North Carolina I William Pratt of the County of Anson and State of North Carolina recollecting the uncertainty of life have for some good cause in my mind made and caused me to publish the following as the declaration of my last will & testament hereby revoking all heretofore wills & testaments by me made In the first place I will & bequeath unto my beloved wife Edith Pratt during her natural life or widowhood all my estate both real & personal consisting of the tract of land on which I now live with all its appurtenances & the following slaves viz Tony Phillis Moses George & Hannah & her subsequent increase viz Ben Henry Anthony Daniel George Simon Jane Hannah & Bathy Together with all my household & kitchen furniture also my farming utensils & stock & crop in fine every species of property which I may possess which I expect both real & personal I wish my wife to enjoy as heretofore described and at her death or whenever I want disposed of as follows to my wife and daughter Mary Ann Adams I give Hannah & her subsequent increase viz Ben Henry Anthony Daniel George Simon Jane Hannah & Bathy together with all my household and kitchen furniture also my farming utensils and together with the tract of land on which I now live with all my estate both real & personal & all my stock & crop in fine every species of property which I may

possess. I give and bequeath unto Martha Long the wife of Elisha T. Long the following slaves at my & my wife's death Tony Phillis Moses & George to her and her heirs forever - I give and bequeath unto Nancy Day if she remains with me until my death one horse bridle & saddle one bed and furniture. The above disposition of property I have not made out of any unkind feelings moving on towards any of my part of me but from a knowledge that they are in easy circumstances this connected with the facts that I have in part raised those children to whom I have given my property was the operating & inducing cause of the present disposition as to what debts if any that I may owe or any expense which may be contingent in carrying this my last will into effect I direct my beloved wife Edith Pratt & her executor or Elisha T. Long who I hereby appoint & constitute executors to make disposition of a sufficiency of the crop remaining & appropriate the proceeds to their liquidation in testimony of which I empower the above named executor to collect all I owe due or if any at my death to be given to Mary Ann Adams & her heirs forever & in testimony of which I William Pratt have hereunto affixed my hand & seal this the 30th day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & forty two 1842 Signed published & declared in the presence of

Test- J. B. Streater

Henry Diggs

State of North Carolina } Superior Court of law
Anson County } Spring Term 1843

Elisha T. Long one of the executors named in the foregoing will this day came into open Court and was qualified as executor to the last will and testament of William Pratt Dec^d March the 18th 1843.

C. Myers C. L. C.

No. Carolina 4 July 15th 1816

In the name of God Amen
David Townsend of the State of No. Carolina
Harris County being weak in body but perfect
in mind & memory desire to dispose of my
worldly goods before I depart this life.
1st I will that my body be decently buried ac-
cording to the Customs of a Christian County
2nd I will that all my Estate real & personal
be appraised by my Executors.

3rd I give and bequeath the whole of my estate
to my beloved wife Tabitha Townsend during her
natural life or widowhood and at her death or
marriage to be by my Executors equally divided
between my sons and daughters Solomon Townsend
David Townsend Richmond Townsend and Gilbert
Townsend Hampton Townsend Sherwood Townsend
Jenny Townsend Susannah Townsend Charity
Townsend and Malinda Townsend.

4th I will that what part of my goods & chattels my
wife Tabitha Townsend may give to any of my
above named sons or daughters when they shall
have counsel of lawful age the valuation thereof
as determined to appraisement be deducted from
their part in the General Division of my estate.
Also whatever she may spend for either of their
education to be deducted in like manner.

5th I do hereby constitute and appoint Benja. Williams
and John Harris sign my lawful executor
to this my last will & testament.

And I do hereby declare this to be my last
will and testament and all former wills
made by me are and void in witness whereof
I the said David Townsend hereunto set
my hand & seal the day & date above written

Witness
William Lewis &
Page & Harris
David Townsend
mark

July 9, 1845 - Then the above
will was proven in open
Court by the oaths of Jos. A. McRae
& Allen Carpenter.

State of North Carolina Harris County.

In the name of God Amen. This is my last
will & Testament. I bequeath will and give to
my daughters Susan Charity and Belinda a
note which I hold on my son Solomon Townsend
for one hundred and eighty two dollars one
dime now in my possession called Ned one other
horse called Cy in the service of my son
Sherwood Townsend & some of land bought of my
son Solomon lying the land on which I now
live, Great N. Hester's land and others
containing more or less fourteen and one half
acres, one yoke of new gray cart, my hayrack
and kitchen furniture whatever it may be to
wit, two beds & bedsteads & furniture three
chairs one cupboard ten chairs & a
walnut table one pine table twelve chairs
in money to \$6. I will and bequeath such
with my sons and daughters Solomon
David, Richmond, Hampton, Naomi, Susan Charity,
Belinda and Sherwood all my stock of cattle
except the yoke of new and all my extra
bedclothing to be divided in that way and
manner which may suit them all best in this my
last will and testament it is my wish and desire that
the first named articles which I have bequeathed unto
my three daughters, Susan Charity and Belinda shall
be divided equally between them it is further
my will and desire that my stock of cattle as before
named and extra bedclothings shall be equally
divided between my sons and daughters Solomon
David, Richmond, Hampton, Naomi, Susan Charity, Belinda
and Sherwood signed & sealed this the 9th day of July in
the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and
forty three in the presence of us

Witness
J. P. Smith
John N. Hutchinson

July Term 1843. Then the above will was duly proven in
open court by John N. Hutchinson and ordered to be recorded.
N. D. Hogan clk.

8th I give to my son Francis & Flake four negroes Aaron Jack, Cindy and Mary a bed & furniture and his young horse and all the balance of my land on the North side of Smiths Creek including the house &c.
 9th I give to my cousin law Charles Skiff and Ann Skiff one thousand dollars to be paid them by my Executors when collected and all the balance of my property not in the will including the land where some of Flake left takes all joining it on the South side of Smiths Creek also the Sandhill land & stock &c & Ekhrain to be sold as the law directs and all the proceeds after all my debts be paid and what there is due me collected and what there is in the will all be divided among all my heirs except Charles Skiff and Ann Skiff who get their part in the will &c.
 And I hereby appoint my sons John H. Flake and William C. Flake my sole Executors to this my last will and testament and it is my desire that my son John H. Flake be appointed Guardian for my son Francis & Flake and to attend to Education & every thing else of his to his interest till he is capable of managing for himself &c. signed & sealed this 19th day of May and in the Year of our Lord eighteen hundred & forty three
 Test James Hooker
 George T. Hooker
 October Term 1843

Then the above will was duly proven in open Court by the oath of James Hooker & John H. Flake & Geo. C. Flake qualified as Executors

W. D. Boggan Clk.

Sarah Smiths Will

In the name of God Amen I Sarah Smith of the County of Anson and State of North Carolina being weak and afflicted in body but of sound mind and memory thanks be to God for the same and calling to mind the uncertainty of human life and the certainty of death have made this my last will and testament in manner and form as follows.

Item 1st I give and bequeath to my grand daughter Mary Ann Liker daughter of Stephen Liker of Georgia one bed and furniture one ^{rich} riding suit one silver plate
 Item 2nd I give and bequeath to Willie Liker son of William Liker of Georgia one small pocket book
 Item 3rd I give and bequeath to Francis E. Skingate daughter of William Skingate son of Peter Skingate one large bed rug and one sheet.
 Item 4th It is my will that all the rest of my property should be sold and the amount together with what is due to me in outstanding debt divided equally between the three persons above named to wit Mary Ann Liker Willie Liker and Francis E. Skingate all of state of Georgia and
 Item 5th I constitute and appoint my beloved friend Hindred Crude Executor to this my last will and testament. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 11th day of Sept. in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty one.

Signed sealed and delivered in the presence of

Mr. H. Blacke

Sarah ^{per} Smith ^{mark}

October Term 1843

Then the above will was exhibited in open Court and duly proven by the oath of Miles H. Mark the subscribing witness thereto. Whereupon Hindred Crude appeared in open Court and qualified as Executor and obtained letters Testamentary.

W. D. Boggan Clk.

8th I give to my son Francis & Flake four degrees Aaron, Jack, Cindy and Mary a bed & furniture and his young horse and all the balance of my land on the North side of Smiths Creek including the house &c.
9th I give to my cousin law Charles Skiffers and Ann Skiffers his wife one thousand dollars to be paid them by my Executors when collected and all the balance of my property not in the will including that land where James M. Flake left - also all lying it on the South side of Smiths Creek also the Sandhill land & stock &c & Ekhrain to be sold as the law directs and all the proceeds after all my debts is paid and what there is due me collected and what there is in the will all be charged then the balance if any to be equally divided among all my heirs except Charles Skiffers and Ann his wife who will have their part in the will &c.
And I hereby appoint my sons John H. Flake and William B. Flake my sole Executors to this my last will and Testament and it is my desire that my son John H. Flake be appointed guardian for my son Francis & Flake and to attend to Education & every thing else of his to his interest till he is capable of managing for himself &c. signed & sealed this 19th day of May and in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred & forty three
Test James Hooker

Col. Thomas Threadgill Still-
State of North Carolina } Superior Court of Law
Anson County } September Term 1841

There as at the present Term of our said Court a cause came up for hearing in the name of Patrick B. Threadgill Executor in support of the last will and testament of Thomas Threadgill dec'd against Benjamin Barnardelle and wife Rebecca Thomas Threadgill and Gilphs Threadgill Executors of Temperance Threadgill Patrick Threadgill William S. Threadgill Wade Threadgill and Mary Threadgill.

Upon the issue of Legitancy & non; Whereupon the following jurymen were sworn and empanelled to try the said issue to wit: Stephen Hooker, John W. Henderson, Will. David Benson, Benjamin Stillman, John Isaac Currier, Tally, W. Thomas James S. Turner, Nathaniel Biven, William Back Owen Pake, and one box who rendered their verdict as follows: To wit who find the paper writing which is hereunto annexed to be the last will and testament of Thomas Threadgill dec'd, but the paper writing purporting to be a codicil, not a codicil or part of the last will and testament of said Thomas Threadgill dec'd.

Patrick B. Threadgill came unto Court and qualified as Executor to the last will and testament of Thomas Threadgill dec'd.

Ordered by the Court that the proceedings in this case be transmitted to the County Court of Anson County, together with the Original will

In Testimony whereof that the foregoing is a true and perfect & amplification of the record in the foregoing case I Edwin Myers clerk of the aforesaid Superior Court of Law for Anson County have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of said Court at office the 2nd Monday in Sept. A. D. 1841

E. Myers Clerk.

State of North Carolina

To the worshipful the Justices of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for Anson County. I do with in obedience to the order of this Court proceed to have the will of Thomas Threadgill dec'd together with the proceedings had thereupon recorded in your Court according to law.

Witness Calvin Myers Clerk of our said Court at office in Valders on the 2nd Monday in Sept. A. D. 1841 and 57th year of American Independence. E. Myers Clk.

I found the 2nd Clk 1841.

In the name of Legitancy & non; Thomas Threadgill of the State of North Carolina Anson County being of perfect mind and memory do make and claim this my last will and testament viz I leave unto my beloved wife (to wit) Threadgill all the lands & tenements in the County of Anson during her natural life and all my household and kitchen furniture and all my stock of horses cattle and hogs & all my plantation tools of every kind and description during her natural life. I also give to my beloved wife the following negroes viz Jane, Cordie, Gilphac, Elizabeth, Isaac, Ficer, Tommy, Adeline, Mover, and Laura to dispose of at her own discretion. 2nd I give to my beloved son Patrick B. Threadgill the following negroes viz Buck, Charles, Lively & child Matilda, David and Henry to him & his heirs forever, and at the decease of my beloved wife, I give to my said son Patrick B. Threadgill all the lands stock of all kinds, tools of all kinds, with all the household and kitchen furniture to him & his heirs forever.

3rd I give to my beloved son Bull Threadgill the following negroes slave to wit Frank and Edwin and Dinah to him and his heirs forever. 4th I give to my Grandson Thomas Threadgill son of Bull Threadgill a negro boy named Still to him and his heirs forever.

5th I give and bequeath to my Grand children viz Temperance Patrick Kirby, Wade and Henry children of my son Lidon B. Threadgill the sum of one hundred dollars each.

6th I give and bequeath to my Grand children Ellen Marshall, Harry, Joseph & Calvin Threadgill the sum of four dollars each.

7th I give and bequeath to my beloved son Thomas Threadgill the following negro viz Bond & Fitch to him & his heirs forever.

8th I give and bequeath to my beloved son William Threadgill in addition to what I have heretofore done for him one negro boy signed Bob. to him and his heirs forever.

9th I give unto my beloved daughter Rebecca Barnwell the sum of twenty dollars in addition to what I have heretofore done for her.

10th My beloved daughter Lucy Kimbrough being provided for in another way is hereby excluded from any further portion of my Estate.

11 I hereby nominate and appoint my son Patrick B. Threadgill sole executor of this my last will and Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 20 day of January 1835.

Signed sealed published & declared to be and contain the last will and testament of the Testator in the presence of us who have witnessed the same in the presence of the Testator

H. B. Allen
J. Allen

Thomas ^{his} Threadgill ^{mark}

John Grace Will -

State of North Carolina Superior Court of Law
Anson County } Fall Term 1833.

Whereas at the present term of said Court the following cause came up for hearing to wit James R. Grace administrator pendente lite of John Grace dec'd against James R. Grace William Grace Nathan Grace John S. Grace Robert Grace Nelson Allen and wife Penelope James Redburn and wife Elizabeth Betty Rowe and Martha Grace by her Guardian Jas. R. Grace upon the issue of deviant action, whereupon the following Jurors were sworn and empanelled to try the said cause viz Canale Jacob H. Lumber Thomas C. Luster Thomas Robinson, bel Wright David Little Eliza Compton William S. Lumber George F. Lumber John S. Lumber and Dan Threadgill. And L. Wall addendum Livingston.

Who rendered their verdict as follows to wit They find the later writings purporting to be the last will and testament of John Grace dec'd with the called annex thereto all of which both will and codicil is hereto affixed and certified upon to be the last will and testament of John Grace dec'd

Judgement of the Court accordingly

A later writing purporting to be a renunciation of the right of qualifying as Executor and Executrix to the last will and testament of John Grace dec'd was produced in open Court and ordered to be recorded Signed by James Redburn and Sony Grace; which is in the following words and figures to wit

State of North Carolina
Anson County }

To the Honorable

the Judge of the Superior Court of Law in and for Anson County now sitting - the Mary Grace and James Redburn having been appointed Executor and Executrix of John Grace dec'd do hereby relinquish and renounce all right to execute said

Will and testament and pray that this and
 remuneration be entered of record Sept. 10th 1843
 Witness to James Redfern James Redfern
 L. Allen Mary Grace
 Witness to Mary Grace
 John Shallick

Whereupon James H. Grace appeared
 in open court and qualified as Executor to the
 last will and testament of the said John Grace Decd

It is ordered by the Court that a copy of
 this record with the original will be transmitted to
 the County Court of Anson County according to law.
 In Testimony whereof that the foregoing
 is a true and correct transcript and exempli-
 fication of the record in the foregoing case
 I Calvin Myers Clerk of the said Superior
 Court of Law have hereunto subscribed
 my name and affixed the seal of said
 Court at office in Wadesboro the 2nd Monday
 in September A.D. 1843.

Secund the 2nd of Oct. 1843 & 68th year of Amos and 4th
 State of North Carolina.

To the worshipful the
 Judges holding the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions
 for Anson County you will according to the order of the
 Superior Court of Law proceed to have the will
 of John Grace decd together with the Codicil and
 the proceedings had there upon in the Sup^r Court
 of Law recorded in your Court according to law.

Witness Calvin Myers clerk of the said
 Superior Court of the Law at office in Wades-
 boro the 2nd Monday in September A.D. 1843.
 and the 68th year of Amos and 4th
 Secund the 2nd day of October A.D. 1843.

C. Myers Clk

I John Grace of the County of Anson and State of
 North Carolina being of sound mind and memory
 but considering the uncertainty of my earthly ex-
 istence do enact and declare this my last will
 and testament in manner and form following:
 that is to say, first that my Executors herein
 after named shall pay all my just debts how-
 ever and to whomsoever owing out of the money
 that may first come into their hands as a part
 or parcel of my estate.

Item I give and devise to my beloved wife Mary Grace
 four hundred and fifty acres of land being the
 North end of the tract whereon I now live including
 my dwelling house all out houses and improvements
 the said land is divided from the land here-
 inafter given and devised to my son Nathan Grace
 by a line recently surveyed and marked by John Carpenter
 Esq. Beginning at a oak in Buchanan and running to
 25 ft. chains and up to a line to a line and two inches point
 then 200 ft to 20 chains to a stake on the branch two inches
 and continuing to the land in said branch being then the
 dividing line between my land and B. Hammonds land
 to have and to hold to her the said Mary during her natural
 life or widowhood with the exception of twenty five acres
 more or less hereinafter set apart for the use of my
 daughter Mary (now) in satisfaction for and in line
 of her dower and thirds of and in all my real Estate.
 I also give to her the said Mary the right of such
 timber firewood &c on the portion of land devised
 to my son Nathan Grace as may be necessary
 for the use of the plantation.

Item I give and devise to my son Nathan Grace two
 hundred and thirty acres of land being the South end of the tract
 whereon I now live being divided from the land devised
 to my wife Mary Grace by the marked line designated
 in the foregoing Item to have and to hold to him
 and his heirs in fee simple forever.

Item I give and devise to my youngest son Joshua
 Grace all the tract of four hundred and fifty acres whereon
 I now live except the estate of my wife Mary devised in a
 former Item of this my will and except the life estate

in twenty five acre more or less herin after set
 apart for my daughter Mary Grace to have and
 to hold to him and his heirs in fee simple forever.
 Item I give and devise to my daughter Mary
 Grace twenty five acre of land more or less in-
 cluding the house in which she now lives.
 It being a part of the four hundred and fifty
 acres mentioned in the preceding Item.
 Beginning at a circumference in the cotton
 hatch above the fire and running South to a line
 near her house then North to a line in Buchanan
 line 1 black jack & red oak then North with Buchanan
 line & Grace line to a large knob oak & her-
 simon and a cedar at a branch then in the
 branch to the corner of the cotton hatch then up
 the fence running East to the beginning during
 her natural life or widowhood but the said
 Mary Grace do not empower to sell lease rent or
 in any wise dispose of her interest in said
 land to any other person or persons whatsoever.
 Item I give and bequeath to my beloved wife
 Mary Grace the following named negro slaves
 during her natural life or widowhood viz
 Sam Amos, Sandy, Ned, Smith, Judy and her
 three children Charles, Judy and Bill. Also all my
 stock of horses and hogs fifteen head of sheep
 one yoke of oxen all the stock of cattle one or cart
 one wagon all the farming utensils the whole of my
 household and kitchen furniture all the stock of
 provisions that may be on hand at the time of
 my death also I give her one very wagon.
 Item I give and bequeath to my son Nathan
 Grace a negro boy named Charles mentioned
 in the above clause, at the death or marriage
 of my wife Mary to him and his heirs forever.
 Item I give and bequeath to my daughter
 Martha Grace a negro girl named Judy after
 the death of my wife Mary or her marriage
 to her and her heirs forever.
 Item I give and bequeath to my son Joshua a
 negro boy named Bill at the death or marriage of my wife Mary
 to him and his heirs forever.

Item It is my will and desire that the six negro
 Sam Amos, Sandy, Ned, Smith and Judy and their
 increase if any shall at the death or marriage
 of my wife Mary Grace be equally divided between
 my two sons Nathan and Joshua to them & their heirs
 forever -

Item I give and bequeath to my son William Grace
 five dollars which sum with advancements
 thereto made to him shall be his portion of my
 estate.

Item To my child in law Sarah B. Grace John J. Grace
 Elizabeth Reelform and my daughter Caroline John wife
 of William Allen I have made advancements to their full
 share of my estate therefore I have also advanced to my
 son Robert Grace six ratable shares of my estate.

Item I give to my daughter Mary Grace one cow & calf
 besides all the cattle she has heretofore claimed on
 her own to her and her heirs forever -

And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint
 my beloved wife Mary Grace and my late son
 Grace and son in law James Buchanan Execu-
 tors & Executors to all my trusts and purposes to execute
 this my last will and testament according to the
 true intent and meaning of the same and every
 part and clause thereof hereby revoking and
 declaring utterly null and void all other wills
 and testaments by me heretofore made. In
 witness whereof I the said John Grace do here-
 unto set my hand and seal this the 15th day of November
 Anno Domini 1842.

Signed sealed published
 and declared by the said
 John Grace to be his last
 will and testament in the presence
 of us who at his request and in
 his presence do subscribe our
 names as witnesses thereto

B. B. Hammond

Benjamin Buchanan

Whereas I John Grace have made my last will and tes-
 tament in writing bearing date the 15th day of November A.D. 1842

John Grace *Execd*

in twenty five acres more or less herein after set
 apart for my daughter Mary Rowe to have and
 to hold to him and his heirs in fee simple from
 then I give and devise to my daughter Mary
 Rowe twenty five acres of land more or less in-
 cluding the house in which she now lives.
 It being a part of the four hundred and fifty
 acres mentioned in the preceding item.
 Beginning at a screwman tree in the cotton
 hatch above the fire and running South to a line
 near her house then North to a line in Buchanan
 line black oak & red oak then North with Buchanan
 line to a large oak & her-
 rison and sacabac at a branch then in the
 branch to the corner of the cotton hatch then up
 the fence running East to the beginning during
 her natural life or widowhood but the said
 Mary Rowe is not empowered to sell lease rent or
 in anywise dispose of her interest in said
 land in any other person or persons whatsoever.
 Item I give and bequeath to my beloved wife
 Mary Grace the following named negro slaves
 during her natural life or widowhood viz
 Saml Thomas Sandy Kid Smith Judy and her
 three children Charles Judy and Bill. Also all my
 stock of horses and hogs fifteen head of sheep
 one yoke of oxen all the stock of cattle one or cart
 one wagon all the farming utensils the whole of my
 household and kitchen furniture all the stock of
 provisions that may be on hand at the time of
 my death also I give her one grey wagon.
 Item I give and bequeath to my son Nathan
 Grace a negro boy named Charles mentioned
 in the above clause, at the death or marriage
 of my wife Mary to him and his heirs forever.
 Item I give and bequeath to my daughter
 Martha Grace a negro girl named Judy after
 the death of my wife Mary or her marriage
 to her and her heirs forever.
 Item I give and bequeath to my son Joshua a
 negro boy named Bill at the death or marriage of my wife Mary
 to him and his heirs forever.

Item It is my will and desire that the six negro
 Saml Thomas Sandy Kid Smith and Judy and their
 increase if any shall at the death or marriage
 of my wife Mary Grace be equally divided between
 my two sons Nathan and Joshua to them & their heirs
 forever -

Item I give and bequeath to my son William Grace
 five dollars which sum with advancements
 heretofore made to him will be his portion of my
 estate.

Item To my children James B. Grace John J. Grace
 Elizabeth Redfern and my daughter Caroline Ellen wife
 of Wilson Allen I have made advancements to their full
 share of my estate heretofore I have also advanced to my
 son Robert Grace six ratable shares of my estate.
 Item I give to my daughter Mary Grace one cow & calf
 besides all the cattle she has heretofore claimed as
 her own to her and her heirs forever.

And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint
 my beloved wife Mary Grace and my sole and
 Grace and my son in law James Redfern Execu-
 tors & Executors to all in ^{tests} and purposes to execute
 this my last will and testament according to the
 true intent and meaning of the same and every
 part and clause thereof hereby revoking and
 declaring utterly null and void all other wills
 and testaments by me heretofore made - In
 witness whereof I the said John Grace do here-
 unto set my hand and seal this the 10th day of November
 Anno Domini 1842.

Signed sealed published
 and declared by the said
 John Grace to be his last
 will and testament in the presence
 of us who at his request and in
 his presence do subscribe our
 names as witnesses thereto

B. B. Hammond

Benjamin Buchanan

It is as I John Grace have made my last will and tes-
 tament in writing bearing date the 10th day of November A.D. 1842

John Grace ^(Read)

and have thereby made sundry devices and bequeaths by this writing which I hereby declare to be a Codicil to my will to be taken and construed as a last-thought Will and direct that the sum of one hundred and fifty four dollars and $\frac{3}{4}$ which I now have in specie shall be paid over to my wife Mary Grace at her own right & property.

And I do hereby give and bequeath to my two daughters Mary Rose and Martha Grace all the increase of a negro woman named Judy which she may have after the date of this a part or Codicil to my will.

The said negro with her children now living been disposed of in my will. I have heretofore given to my daughter Elizabeth Sefton one hundred dollars in money - by my will and desire that a note I hold on her husband James Sefton for a note on James Sefton for two hundred and ten dollars and an amount sufficient to make up to her the amount of five hundred dollars (including the note and gift above mentioned) shall be paid over to her by my Executors to her and her heirs for ever.

And it is my will and desire that the said amount of five hundred dollars (after deducting therefrom one hundred dollars given heretofore to my daughter Eneloke Allen and a note for fifty eight dollars or there about made payable to me by her husband Silas Allen) be paid by my Executors to my said daughter Eneloke Allen so as to make up to her said note of fifty eight dollars and gift of one hundred dollars included the sum of five hundred dollars to her and her heirs forever. It is my will and desire that all the residue of money due me by note or otherwise after paying all my just debts and the legacies hereinafter mentioned be equally divided between my two daughters Mary Rose and Martha Grace to them and their heirs forever.

In witness whereof I the said John Grace have unto at my hand and seal this day of December 1842 Signed sealed published & declared by the said John Grace to be a part or Codicil of his last will & Testament in the presence of us who at his request & in his presence

do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto

John W. Landon
B. B. Hammond

October Term 1843

Then the foregoing proceedings had in the Superior Court and the will & codicil of John Grace said were ordered to be recorded.

Edith Pratts Will

In the name of God Amen: I Edith Pratt of the County of Guilford and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory blessed be God for the same do make and declare this to be my last will and Testament in the manner following viz I first will that my funeral expenses together with all my just debts be paid. Secondly I give unto my son George Washington McRae all the property of any and every kind that I now have or may have at my death. It is also my will and desire that he have all my interest in my late husbands William Pratts Estate and lands & all about and with my son George Washington McRae to act as my sole Executor under this my last will signed and sealed this thirtieth day of December in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and forty two.

Signed in the presence of
Marshall Digg
S. D. Daniel

her
Edith Pratt
Wife

January Term 1844

Then the foregoing will

Wm Johnson Still -

In the name of God Amen - William Johnson of the County of Anson do hereby declare this to be my last will and testament -

First I give to my daughter Elizabeth Whedley one negro girl named Skinner which she has in possession to her and her heirs forever -

I give to my son William P. Johnson one negro girl named Sarah to him & his heirs forever -

I give to my daughter Mary the following property my old man Sudge Telley & her three children - James Sam & Sarah also Clay and Jackson the whole of my furniture of every kind my corn horse and pig together with all the personal property of every kind on the plantation called the Grindhill where I live.

The balance of my estate of every kind real and personal - I hereby vest in my son William P. Johnson for the purpose of paying all debt and demands against me to be disposed of in such manner as he may think the best for the paying and discharging the same & I direct the hundred dollars be paid to Joseph Whedley which is to be considered in full of his private accounts against me his claims as administrator to be also paid the balance if anything I give to my son William P. Johnson his heirs and assigns forever after settling all demands.

I hereby appoint my son William P. Johnson Executor of this my last will & testament -

June the 1st 1836

Wm Johnson

January Term 1844 Then the above will.

State of North Carolina Anson County

November 1st day in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty three -

In the name of God Amen Ephraim Hunter of the above named County and State being of sound and disposing mind and memory but weak in body do make this my last will and testament disannulling every other will or will made by me before this day and date above mentioned I give and bequeath to my wife Sarah Hunter during her natural life all my lands my two negroes Tom and Jack and coral three named Foy stock of pigs and cattle my household and kitchen furniture and the balance of my property to be sold on twelve months credit and after the payment of my just debts the balance to be equally divided amongst my children for their maintenance and the burial hire of their bodies - I want my daughter Martha Dunn to her & only give her one hundred and one hundred dollars desire after my wife's death that my daughter Anna shall have the above named negro boy named Jack as her own property by paying to the Estate of my wife the hundred and all other property which my wife may have at her death to be also divided equally as before mentioned for the use of the children Eliza, Elijah Harry and Anna and their children -

Lastly I do constitute nominate and appoint my good and true friend Clement Marshall Executor to this my last will and testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal the day & date first above written Signed sealed & delivered in presence of us

Wm P. Lile
Otho Nehemiah Lile

January Term 1844 then
this will was duly proven

Penelope Dabbe Will.

State of North Carolina Ancon County
 Whereas William Dabbe my loving husband
 departed this life in the month of August
 in the year of our Lord 1835 having made and
 declared his last Will and Testament which
 has been reduced to Probate according to law
 the provisions of which will more fully appear
 by reference to the same and whereas he de-
 vised and bequeathed to me Penelope his wife
 during life or widowhood the whole of his
 estate both real and personal and at and
 after my death whatsoever of the same would
 remain on hand should be sold both real
 and personal and the proceeds to be equally
 divided between our four children such as
 I wanted named &c.

And whereas the said Penelope being now
 far advanced in life and according to the
 course of Nature the time being drawing
 to a close I think it prudent to make choice
 of four of the next of kin of my deceased
 husband and they are indeed the very
 identical persons whom he signified
 in his Will that he desired to enjoy his
 property after my death and being desirous
 to carry his intentions into effect as soon
 as I can I now name the following persons
 to wit: Amy Jarnum the Grandson of Josiah
 Dabbe the Brother of my husband -
 Lucinda Wallace the Grand daughter
 of the said Josiah Dabbe - Penelope Dabbe
 the daughter of Josiah Dabbe aforesaid
 and Nancy Birmingham the wife of John
 Birmingham and daughter of John Dabbe.
 And with a view and for the purpose
 of carrying into effect the purposes
 and intended intentions of said last
 will and Testament -

we hereby nominate and appoint

my relative and good friend Norfleet
 D. Boggan Executor to this my last will
 and Testament fully as I am legally autho-
 rized in a testamentary examined to do
 pursuant to the said last will and
 Testament of my deceased husband.
 Signed sealed published
 and declared in the presence
 of us this 25th day of Feb 1842

Penelope ^{his} Dabbe ^(att)
 mark

Geo A. McRae

Malcolm Lham

January Term 1844

Then the foregoing will was duly proven
 in open Court by the oath of John P. McRae
 & Malcolm Lham the subscribing witnesses
 thereto and ordered to be recorded.

Barrett Clarke Will

I Barrett Clarke of the County of Anson in the State of North Carolina do make public and declare this to be my last will and testament in manner and form following hereby committing and directing and all wills by me heretofore made -

Item 1st I desire that all my just debts I owe any at the time of my death may be paid, and my executors hereinafter named or fully authorized to raise such sum or sums of money as may be necessary for that purpose out of any part of my Estate as to them shall seem most expedient. Sec 2nd I give and bequeath to my friends William Clark and John H. Moorman in Trust for my daughter Mary Kincaid the whole of the Estate both real & personal which I may be possessed of at the time of my death to be paid by the said William Clark and John H. Moorman in Trust for the sole & separate use and benefit of my said daughter Mary, save not to be liable for any of the debts contracts or engagements whatsoever of her husband William Kincaid - Sec 3rd Lastly I do hereby nominate constitute and appoint my friends William Clark and John H. Moorman Executors to this my last will & testament.

In witness of all which I the said Barrett Clarke do to this my last will and testament set my hand & seal the day of March 16 in the year 1835.

Signed published & declared in the presence of the undersigned who subscribed the same in the presence of the Testatrix

Wm & Co. David Bell
J. H. Moorman Nancy Clark
Clerk

April Term 1844 Then this will was duly proven in open Court by W. H. Cox & ordered to be recorded.

Wm P. Ingrame Will

I William P. Ingrame of the County of Anson and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence do make and declare this to be my last will and testament in manner and form following That is to say -

First that my executor hereinafter named shall provide for my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my relations and friends and pay all funeral expenses together with my just debts however and to whomsoever owing out of the money that may first come into his hands as a part or parcel of my estate.

Item 1st I give to my beloved wife Susan one half of the 600 acre tract of land in which I now reside including the mill & part of said tract and the improvement to the one half of said tract acres of land lying on Big Hills Creek adjoining David C. Clark Tract & others during her life time. I also give her one negro girl named Lauretta about 15 years of age valued at \$400 & a negro boy named Cabin 15 years old valued at \$50 & six Cornish aged three years valued at \$100. I give her three beds and furniture, and all the household and kitchen furniture, three choice work horses four milch cows her choice, about five barrell of corn fifty bushels of wheat fifteen hundred weight of Pork or its value, twelve head of sheep one carry all wagon and gear, one spoke of open and Cart two choice stocks of fodder & all of my stock of hogs.

Item 2nd I gave to my daughter Kincaid in January 1824 five hundred dollars in cash and a negro girl named Maria about 13 years old and her increase

Valued at \$25. I now her a negro woman named Cass about 44 years old valued at \$25. I also now give her four hundred and fifty dollars in cash to be paid by my executor in money or a good note to draw interest from the date of my decease.

Item 3rd I give to my daughter Eliza Lilly in January 1835 a negro girl named Eliza about 17 years of age valued at \$50 and her increase also a negro girl named Lulima age about seven years and her increase valued at \$50 and her increase. I now give her \$25 to be paid in money or a good note of \$25 - in British paper and in January 1835 I now give her a negro girl named Emily aged 12 years and her child who is aged 6 years and her increase valued at \$50. I also give her four hundred and twenty dollars to be paid by my executor in a good note or money to draw interest from the date of my decease.

Item 4th I give to my son Joseph B. Ingram in 1835 a negro woman named Mary aged about 24 years and her child who is 8 years of age and their increase valued at \$50. Also in 1835 a negro girl named Caroline 1 year old valued at \$50 and her increase. I now give him a negro boy named James aged four years valued at \$50. I also give him seven hundred and twenty seven dollars to be paid in money or a note to bear interest from the date of my decease.

Item 5th I give and bequeath to Benjamin J. Dunlap and Jeremiah Ingram sons in Trust for the sole and separate use and benefit of Catherine Parr my daughter, during her life or as not to be subject to any debt contract or liability of the said Catherine Parr and any future husband she may have hereafter the following property viz a negro girl named Hannah about 30 years

one boy named Frank about 5 years old one boy named Clem about 8 years old one girl named Eliza about 10 years old one girl named Cornelia about 4 years old one girl named Lavinia about 12 months old all of which are valued at fourteen hundred and fifty dollars. I also give them for the same one hundred and seventy seven dollars to be paid by my executor in money or a good note to draw interest from the date of my decease and if my daughter Catherine Parr shall die the above property and money to be paid in cash or note to be paid to her child or children or the child or children of her child and the issue of such as may be dead to be equally divided among them for life and not for years.

Item 6th I give to my son Jeremiah B. Ingram a negro woman named Anne valued at \$50. I also give him four hundred and seventy seven dollars to be paid in money or a good note to draw interest from the date of my decease.

Item 7th I give to my daughter Eliza Burroughs a negro woman named Phillis about 8 years old valued at \$50. One boy named Jacob aged 1 year valued at \$50. and Phillis increase. I also give her a negro girl named Mary aged 11 years valued at \$50. I also give her four hundred and seventy seven dollars to be paid by my executor in cash or a good note to bear interest from the date of my decease.

Item 8th I give to my son Benjamin J. Ingram four hundred acres of the Burnie Tract of land lying in the town of Buffalo Creek adjoining S. B. Scarboro. Benjamin Dunlap and others. valued at \$727. One negro man named Edmund 23 years old valued at five hundred dollars which added to \$400 paid for schooling will make his share equal with the other heirs.

Valued at \$25. I now her a negro woman named Luce about 44 years old valued at \$25. Sales now give her four hundred and fifty dollars in cash to be paid by my executor in money or a good note to draw interest from the date of my decease.

Item 3rd I give to my daughter Eliza Lilly in January 1855 a negro girl named Eliza about 17 years of age, valued at \$500 and her increase also a negro girl named Letitia age about seven years and her increase, valued at \$500 also give her \$50 to buy a horse and a note of \$500 on Alphonso Baker & Co. 1850 and now give her a negro girl named Mary aged 15 years and her child in age 10. The child at 5 years old and a negro girl named Charles aged 10 years valued at \$500. Sales now give her four hundred and twenty dollars to be paid by my executor in a good note or money to draw interest from the date of my decease.

Item 4th I give to my son Joseph B. Ingram in 1855 a negro woman named Harriet about 25 years old and her child in age 8 years and their increase, valued at \$500. Also in 1855 a negro girl named Caroline 1 year old valued at \$500 and her increase. I now give him a negro boy named George aged four years valued at \$500. Sales give him seven hundred and twenty seven dollars to be paid in money or a note to bear interest from the date of my decease.

Item 5th I give and bequeath to Benjamin J. Dunlap and Jeremiah Ingram less in trust for the sole and separate use and benefit of Catharine Carr my daughter, during her life as as not to be subject to any debt contract or liability of the said Catharine Carr and any future husband she may have hereafter the following property viz. a negro girl named Hannah about 30 years

one boy named Frank about 15 years old one boy named Elum about 8 years old one girl named Celia about 10 years old one girl named Cornelia about 4 years old one girl named Linnia about 12 years old all of which are valued at fourteen hundred and fifty dollars. Sales give them of the one one hundred and seventy seven dollars to be paid by my executor in money or a good note to draw interest from the date of my decease and of my daughter Catharine's death the above property and money to pay for and discharge from this trust to such persons as the said Catharine Carr or she'll be living at her death and the issue of each as they be dead to be equally divided among them for life and not for estate.

Item 6th I give to my son Benjamin J. Ingram a negro woman named Maria about 25 years old and one boy named Jim about 10 years old valued at \$300. I now give my son Benjamin a negro girl named Milla about 15 years old valued at \$500. I also give him four hundred and seventy seven dollars to be paid in money or a good note to draw interest from the date of my decease.

Item 7th I gave to my daughter Julia Burroughs in 1849 a negro woman named Philis about 8 years old valued at \$500 and one boy named Jacob aged 4 years valued at \$500 and Philis's increase. I now give her a negro girl named Mary aged 10 years valued at \$500. Also give her four hundred and seventy seven dollars to be paid by my executor in cash or a good note to bear interest from the date of my decease.

Item 8th I give to my son Benja. F. Ingram four hundred acres of the Burnie Tract of land lying in the 10th of Buffalo Creek adjoining G. B. Clearborn, Benja. Dunlap and others, valued at \$727. One negro man named Edmond 23 years old valued at five hundred dollars which added to \$400 paid for schooling will make his share equal with the other heirs.

Item 9th I give to my son Chas. S. Ingram and half of my Budee tract of land whereon I now reside and at his mother's death I give him the other half of said tract of land. I also give him one half of the ninety acre tract of land on Buffalo Creek adjoining P. B. Allen, Thomas Threadgill & others and at his mother's death I give him the other half of said tract of land, valued at \$2000. I also give him one negro man named Sam aged 32 years valued at \$500 also a negro woman named John 21 years of age valued at \$200. I also give him my old man Jack & others who will live to support during his life time.

Item 10th I give to my daughter Almira a negro woman named Mary aged 22 years old valued at \$200.

Also Sarah about 10 years old valued at \$200 also a boy named B. T. about 5 years old valued at \$150.

I also give her four hundred and seventy seven dollars to be paid by my executor in cash or a note to her interest. I am the estate of my deceased wife. I desire that if any of my children should die without lawful issue that the same property willed to them shall be equally divided between my children.

Item 11th I will it that my executor sell two tracts of land, one tract of one hundred and eighty acres lying on Creeks Creek adjoining P. B. Threadgill & Watkins & others, the other tract known by the name tract adjoining Guy Oak Hill Threadgill & others containing about one hundred and three acres, to be sold on a credit of one and two years credit.

Item 12th My will and desire is that all the residue of my estate after taking out the debts and legacies above mentioned shall be sold and the debts owing to me collected and if there should be any surplus over and above the payment of debts expenses

and legacies that such surplus shall be equally divided and paid over to my said wife and all my children (except my son Chas. S. Ingram who has his full share of all my estate including his mother's part in said probate) share and share alike to them and each and every of them their executors administrators and assigns absolutely forever. I do hereby constitute and appoint my son Chas. S. Ingram my lawful executor to all intents and purposes to execute this my last will and testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same and every part and clause thereof revoking and declaring utterly void all other wills and testaments by me heretofore made. In witness whereof I the said William C. Ingram do hereunto set my hand & seal this 2nd day of July 1823. Signed published and declared by the said William C. Ingram to be his last will and testament in the presence of us who at his request and in his presence have subscribed our names as witnesses thereto.

W. C. Ingram

W. J. Ingram

David Barker

Samuel Underhill

1823 8th 823

State of North Carolina Court of Pleas and Quarter
Green County Session July Term 1823.

The jury who find the order setting aside for probate is the last will and Testament of William C. Ingram and that he did devise and bequeath. Whereupon it is considered by the Court that the same be recorded & that letters testamentary issue to Wm. C. Ingram the executor therein named be came into Court and duly qualified.

In the name of God Amen I William H. Morris of the County of Anson and State of North Carolina being weak in body but of sound mind & memory do hereby be to God for the same and calling to mind the uncertainty of life & the certainty of death do make & ordain this my last will and Testament in manner and form as follows.

Item 1st I leave unto my beloved wife Martha all my household and kitchen furniture farming utensils & all immoveable real estate one head of horse brandy the two mare Bay Horse & all four she is a yoke of a steer & cart & an iron bottle with two young steers and a sufficient number of hogs for her meat the money year with a necessary lumber besides for her in the spring & summer she may present one of my milder and chest with all the cows in my cattle also my flock of sheep and I give I further for her comfortable support in my my large woman in with Charlotte & her Bay Horse & all Mary - further I give to her my tract of land - I have conferred these advantages on her for her own support and to make her to support & raise my small children and for her benefit I leave her my carry all all of the above named articles I leave unto her during her natural life.

Item 2nd my will is that my executor as soon as convenient advertise and sell all the balance of my negroes on a credit of twelve months and all my debt paid out of the proceeds also the balance of hogs & cattle not given off to be sold together with my present crop of cotton the balance of the money arising from the sales after paying my debts my will is that it be divided among my children in the following manner in the first place I have already given to my son James H. Morris in land & otherwise the sum of two hundred dollars I have already given to my daughter Martha H. S. Griffin property to the amount of twenty dollars also property to the amount of

twenty dollars to Frances J. S. Griffin & I say my will that all my children be made equal taking into consideration the amount that some have already received or above stated.

Item 3rd my will is that my steel horse be sold at public or private sale together with my threshing machine and two also the large & little wheels attached to the same.

Item 4th I to my will that all my property as above named to my beloved wife during her natural life that may be in existence at her death be sold and the proceeds divided among my children having regard to the before mentioned arrangements it is also my will that after the decease of my wife that my beloved and youngest son John be the owner of the same should be living here one hundred acres of land including all the buildings to be left up to the best advantage to him my will is that the balance of my land be equally divided between my sons J. S. Thomas J. S. S. & S. H. Morris and my daughter E. S. Allen her part to be as laid off as to include the dwelling where she now ~~lives~~ resides.

Item 5th In a account of the confidence which I have and repose in my beloved half brother Willie H. Blacke I do constitute and ordain him executor to this my last will and Testament in testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 2nd day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty four - Done in the presence of

Wm. H. Morris (Seal)
Witness Jno. Broadaway
James Benton

October Term 84 & Then the above will was duly proven in open Court by the oaths of John Broadaway and James Benton the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded.

Whereupon Willie H. Blacke the executor therein named qualified and obtained letters Testamentary.

J. S. Baggum Clk.

State of North Carolina

Incon County In the name of God Amen
I George P. Threadgill being of sound mind
and memory but now in body do make this
my last will and Testament -

1st I give and bequeath to my beloved wife
Selenah and three children Mary Susanah
Lucy Caroline Selenah Ann all my up land
and thirty five bushels of wheat three bridles
and saddle one wagon and gear household
and kitchen furniture -

2nd I give and bequeath over to my daughter
Elizabeth Ann and page I leave to my be-
loved wife and children and all my work-
ing tools -

3rd I bequeath of my land to my son to pay
back to my dear my beloved wife Selenah and
my Brother John C. Threadgill over of this my
last will and Testament -

August 25th 1844

G. P. Threadgill

Test

George Threadgill

W. P. Threadgill

State of North Carolina

Incon County 8 October Term 1844

Then the above will was duly known
in open Court by the oath of George Thread-
gill W. P. Threadgill the subscribing
witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded
whereupon John C. Threadgill qualified
as Executor & obtained Letters Testamentary -

J. A. Baggan Clk.

In the name of God Amen

I Amos Skinfre (deceased of Charles
Skinfre deceased of the County of Incon and State of North Car-
olina being of sound and disposing mind and me-
mory do make this my last will and Testament
as follows -

1st It is my desire that all my just debts be
paid out of my now standing crop after it is
gathered; and that the residue of said crop be
equally divided between my son Gideon Booker
Skinfre and my daughter Martha Winchum each
to have and to hold forever -

2nd I give and bequeath unto my son Gideon
B. Skinfre one negro boy slave named George
to him and his heirs to have and to hold forever
I also give unto my son Gideon Booker Skinfre all my
Plantation situate with all my house hold
kitchen and smoke house furniture except such
as I shall otherwise dispose of in this my last
will and Testament to him and his heirs
to have and to hold for ever -

3rd I give and bequeath unto my granddaughter
Elizabeth Ann Gabel daughter of Gideon B. Skinfre
my horse Bridle & saddle my curtain Bedstead
Bed and furniture thereunto belonging, one set of
walnut lathe, one China cup, with all my
China ware to her and her heirs to have and to hold forever -

4th I give and bequeath unto my grandson Charles
Bennett Skinfre and Gideon B. Skinfre one yoke of oxen and
whecart to him and his heirs to have and to hold forever -

5th I give and bequeath unto my grand
daughter Mary Frances Skinfre (daughter of
Gideon B. Skinfre) one Trunk covered with
red cloth to her and her heirs to have and to
hold forever -

6th I give and bequeath unto my grand
daughter Sarah Jane Skinfre (daughter of Gideon
B. Skinfre) one feather bed Bedstead and
furniture to her and her heirs to have and
to hold forever -

7th I give and bequeath unto my Grand daughter Elizabeth Ann West daughter of Wm. Meachum one white trunk and one fine table not painted to her & her heirs to have and to hold forever —

8th I give and bequeath unto my Grandson Charles Bennett son of James Bennett Esq all my flock of sheep to him and his heirs to have and to hold forever —

9th And I do hereby make and ordain my Trusty friend Land Spencer and my son Gideon Barker Stimpree Executors of this my last will and Testament hereby revoking all other wills or Testaments by me heretofore made. In witness whereof I the said Wm. Stimpree have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 18th day of August A.D. 1843.

I signed sealed and delivered to the Testatrix to be her last will and Testament in our presence who at the request and in her presence and in the presence of each other have subscribed our names

Stebon C. Liles
Wm. C. Smith

Whereas I Wm. Stimpree have made my last will and Testament in writing bearing date 18th day of May A.D. 1843 and have therein made sundry devises and bequests according to the then existing circumstances of my estate. But some of which circumstances having since changed. I do by this my writing which I hereby declare to be a codicil to my said will, to be taken and construed as a part thereof, will and direct that my son Gideon B. Stimpree have my Grey mare and that my crop of corn wheat cotton &c. after paying my just debts be equally divided between my said son Gideon B. Stimpree and daughter.

Martha Meachum to have and to hold to them and their heirs and assigns absolutely. In Testamentary whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal this 18th day of April A.D. 1844.

I signed sealed published and declared by the said Wm. Stimpree to be a codicil or part of his last will and Testament in presence of us who at his request and in his presence have subscribed our names as witnesses
John D. Stillman

Wm. Stimpree

State of North Carolina

Whereas Wm. Stimpree of the County of Johnston State of North Carolina has died and his last will and Testament of Wm. Stimpree was exhibited in open Court and duly proven by the oath of Joseph P. Smith one of the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded. The codicil to the same was also proven in open Court by the oath of John D. Stillman the subscribing thereto whereupon Gideon B. Stimpree appeared in open Court and qualified as Executor and obtained letters Testamentary,
J. A. Baggan Clk.

7th I give and bequeath unto my Grand daughter Elizabeth Ann West Daughter of Mary Meachum one white Buck and one fine table not painted to her & her heirs to have and to hold forever—

8th I give and bequeath unto my Grandson Charles Bennett son of James Bennett Esq all my flock of sheep to him and his heirs to have and to hold forever—

9th And I do hereby make and ordain my Trusty friend Saml Spencer and my son Gideon B. Skiffree Executors of this my last will and Testament hereby revoking all other wills or Testaments by me heretofore made. In witness whereof at the said Army Skiffree have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 18th day of May A.D. 1843.

Signed sealed and delivered by the Testatrix to be her last will and Testament in our presence who at the request and in her presence and in the presence of each other have subscribed our names

John P. Lile
Joseph P. Smith

Whereas I Army Skiffree have made my last will and Testament in writing bearing date 18th day of May A.D. 1843 and have thereby made sundry devises and bequests according to the then existing circumstances of my estate But some of which circumstances having since changed. I do by this my writing which I hereby declare to be a codicil to my said will, take taken and construed as a part thereof, will and direct that my son Gideon B. Skiffree have my Grey mare and that my crop of corn wheat cotton &c. after paying my just debts be equally divided between my said son Gideon B. Skiffree and daughter.

Martha Meachum to have and to hold to them and their heirs and assigns absolutely In Testamentary whereof I herunto set my hand and seal this 18th day of April A.D. 1844.

Signed sealed published and declared by the said Army Skiffree to be a codicil or part of her last will and Testament in presence of us who at her request and in her presence have subscribed our names as witnesses
John D. Williamson

Army Skiffree *Testatrix*

State of North Carolina

Winston County 2nd October Term 1843

Then the last will and Testament of Army Skiffree was exhibited in open Court and duly proven by the oath of Joseph P. Smith one of the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded. The codicil to the same was duly proven in open Court by the oath of John D. Williamson the subscribing thereto. whereupon Gideon B. Skiffree appeared in open Court and qualified as Executor and obtained letters Testamentary.

J. D. Boggan Clk.

I Robert B. Parsons being of sound mind & disposing memory do make and declare this to be my last will and testament hereby revoking all others by me made. 1st I give unto my sister Sarah below one negro girl Fanny.

2nd It is my will that after all my just debts are paid, that my Brother Vincent Parsons have and hereby give him all the rest of my property of every sort or kind whatsoever. Lastly I appoint and ordain my Brother Vincent Parsons my sole executor to this my will August 28th 1800.

Signed sealed and delivered in the presence of us

R. B. Parsons

D. B. Daniel
C. B. McCall
G. W. Pearson

April Term 1800

Then this will was exhibited in open Court and the execution of it duly proven by Dudley B. Daniel & ordered to be recorded. And Vincent Parsons the Executor qualified and obtained letters Testamentary.

T. A. Boggan Clk.

I Henry Buchanan of the County of Anson and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory but considering the uncertainty of life and my earthly wishes do make and declare this my last will and testament in manner and form following that is to say.

First that my executor herein after named shall provide for my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my children and friends and pay the expence of the same together with my just debts that may be owing at my death out of the monies that may be on hand or that may first come into his hands as a part or parcel of my estate and should so monies be on hand at my death it is my will and desire that my executor sell crops or any part of my perishable property to raise money for the purpose of paying debt according to this clause.

1st Item I give and devise to my son Francis five negroes viz. Dick, Gell, Pamel, Lim, Ann

2nd Item I give and devise to my son Andrew in cash fifty dollars.

3rd Item I give and devise to my son ~~Francis~~ ^{James} one hundred dollars in cash.

4th Item I give and devise to Jane Giley two negroes viz. Jenny and Lucy one cow & calf one bed.

5th Item I give and devise to Alexander Giley one tract of land on which I now live known as the Dickson tract of land for him and his brother and the rest of the children to live on until the youngest becomes of age also a negro boy named Alfred one named Charlie one named Ned one named Franky and a male named Jerry one cow & calf and one bed and one girl sick.

6th Item I give and devise to Mary Ellen Giley one negro girl Carter one negro girl Margaret.

7th Item I give and bequeath to my son Richmond all the remaining part of my property or all of my property not otherwise disposed of and should Richmond

I Robert B. Parsons being of sound mind & disposing memory do make and declare this to be my last will and testament hereby revoking all others by me made. 1st I give unto my sister Sarah Kelme one negro girl Fanny.

2nd It is my will that after all my just debts are paid that my Brother Vincent Parsons have and he hereby give him all the rest of my property of every sort or kind whatsoever. I doth appoint and ordain my Brother Vincent Parsons my sole executor to this my will August 28th 1844.

Signed sealed and delivered
in the presence of us

R. B. Parsons

R. B. Daniel

C. C. McCall

G. M. Cleason

April Term 1845

Then this will was exhibited in open Court and the execution of it duly proven by Dudley A. Daniel & ordered to be recorded. And Vincent Parsons the executor qualified and obtained letters Testamentary.

H. A. Boggan Clk.

I Henry Buchanan of the County of Anson and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory but considering the uncertainty of life and my earthly existence do make and declare this my last will and testament in manner and form following that is to say.

First that my executor herein after named shall provide for my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my children and friends and pay the expences of the same together with my just debts that may be owing at my death out of the monies that may be on hand or that may first come into his hands as a part or parcel of my estate and should so much be on hand at my death it is my will and desire that my executor sell crops or any part of my perishable property to raise money for the purpose of paying debt according to this clause.

1st Item I give and devise to my son Francis five negro viz. Sarah, Goe, James, Lin Ann

2nd Item I give and devise to my son Andrew in cash fifty dollars.

3rd Item I give and devise to my son ^{Robert} Francis one hundred dollars in cash.

4th Item I give and devise to Jane Wiley two negroes viz. Jenny and Lucy one cow & calf one bed.

5th Item I give and devise to Alexander Wiley one tract of land on which I now live known as the Dickson tract of land for him and his brother and the rest of the children to live on until the youngest becomes of age also a negro boy named Alfred one named Charlie one named Ned one named Franky and a male named Jerry one cow & calf and one bed and one girl Dick.

6th Item I give and devise to Mary Ellen Wiley one negro girl Ester one negro girl Margaret.

7th Item I give and bequeath to my son Richmond all the remaining part of my property or all of my property not otherwise disposed of and should Richmond

die without a bodily hair it is my will and desire that my son Andrew should have it. It is my will and desire that should it become necessary to sell any part of my estate to meet the payment of monies herein above by me given away then and in that case my executor shall sell best-berchable property and any part of my personal property to raise the same on a credit of twelve months and should any residul remain after the payment and delivering of all the general and specific legacies herein set and named to be given or returned to my son Richard. It is also my will and desire that my executor be paid for his trouble such compensation in commissions as the County Court of Anson may deem just and right.

And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my trusty friend George Little my lawful executor to all intents and purposes to execute this my last will and Testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same and every part and clause thereof.

Witness my hand and seal this 30th day of August A.D. 1825.

signed sealed published and declared by the said Henry Buchanan to be his last will and Testament in the presence of me who at his request witnessed and in his presence do subscribe my name as witness thereto

G. B. McCaskill

William Lumber

I also appoint Dea. C. M. Caskill Guardian for my son Alexander and Mary Ellen during Term 1825- Then this will was proven -

I Mildred Coleon of the County of Anson and State of North Carolina Being of sound mind and memory but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence do make and declare this my last will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say first that my executors herein after named shall provide for my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my relations and friends and pay all funeral expenses together with my last debts however and to whomsoever owing out of the monies that may first come into his hands as a part or parcel of my estate.

Item I give and bequeath to my eldest daughter Elizabeth Roberson wife of James H. Roberson one negro girl by the name of Frances to dispose of as she thinks proper.

Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Charity Roberson wife of Arthur H. Roberson one negro girl by the name of Mary Jane to dispose of as she may think proper.

Item I give and bequeath unto my eldest son Jacob H. Coleon one negro boy by the name of Jacob to have and to hold during his natural life and at his death to be equally divided between his heirs.

Item I give and bequeath unto my son Thomas H. Coleon four negroes by the name of Aaron, Jane, Sarah and Edmund.

Item I give and bequeath unto my son John H. Coleon four negroes by the name of Old Mary, Ellen and Clara together with the tract of land of about three hundred and eight acres containing all of my interests in all of the lands belonging to the estate and all of my household and kitchen furniture. I also will and desire that if Thomas H. Coleon or John H. Coleon should die before they arrive to the full age of twenty one that the other shall have the whole of the property that I have above give to them.

Item And whereas my son Thomas H. Coleon is a minor

of the age of about sixteen and my youngest son John F. Colson is about sixteen. Now therefore my will and desire is that my son-in-law James H. Robinson is hereby constituted and appointed Guardian of these my two sons to have and to hold the custody and Guardianship both of these respective persons and estate until they the said Thomas F. Colson and John F. Colson shall severally arrive at the full age of twenty one years. And I do hereby constitute and appoint my trusty friend John Tyeon Jr. and my son Jacob H. Colson my lawful executors to all intents and purposes to execute this my last will and testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same in every part and every clause thereof hereby revoking and declaring utterly void all other wills and testaments by me heretofore made in witness whereof the said children Colson do hereunto set my hand & seal this the 9th day of December 1844.

Signed sealed published and declared by the said Mildred Colson to be her last will and testament in presence of me who at her request in her presence and in the presence of each other do subscribe and annex as witnesses thereto.

John Tyeon Jr.

Samuel Tyeon

April Term 1845

Then the above will was duly proven in open Court by John Tyeon Jr. one of the subscribing witnesses thereto and Jacob H. Colson appeared in open Court and was duly qualified as executor and obtaining letters Testamentary.

H. A. Baggett CLK

In the name of God Amen; I Samuel Pratt of the County of Anson and State of North Carolina, being of sound mind and disposing memory do make ordain and publish this to be my last will and testament viz.

Item: I give and devise to my son John Pratt and his issue five hundred acres of land being the last tract I purchased of Col. R. H. Barrington also the following negro slaves Ben Dickson Tom and George and should he die without having lawful issue of his body then the said land and slaves to my children and their heirs line surviving.

Item: I give and devise to Alexander M. Alfus and John Pratt and their heirs the plantation wherein I now live embracing the Center Nancy Currie and Short Slaves also the slave Harry line Henderson & Wilson in Trust for my son William Pratt during his natural life and after his death to his lawful children and their heirs but should he die without having issue of his body lawfully together then to my other children and their heirs surviving heirs.

Item: I give and devise to Alexander M. Alfus and John Pratt and their heirs the lands I just purchased of Col. R. H. Barrington lying on the South side of Jones Creek together with one hundred and twenty five acres I purchased of Chas. Woodman and also the slave Aaron, Ned, Charlie and Dick in Trust for my son William Pratt during his natural life and after his death to his lawful children and their heirs and should he die without having lawful issue of his body then to my other children and their heirs line surviving.

Item: I give and devise to Alexander M. Alfus and John Pratt and their heirs in Trust for the sole and separate use and benefit of my daughter Sarah Brooke and her heirs the land situated north of Jones Creek of the first purchase I made of R. H. Barrington together with one half of the old tract I purchased of William Evans also the slave Cal, Little Joe and Marlow.

Item: I give and devise to Alexander M. Alfus

and John Pratt and their heirs in Trust for the sole and separate use and benefit of my daughter Charlotte Short wife of Thomas Short and her heirs one half of the land I bought of John B. McFengie also the following slave Lile and youngest child and other youngest child.

Item I give and devise to Alexander McAlpen and John Pratt and their heirs in Trust for the sole and separate use and benefit of my daughter Nancy Short wife of Daniel Short and her heirs the tract of land called Magnolia where Daniel Short now lives purchased of Targher McRae also the following slaves old be Ann & Child & other.

Item: I give and devise to Alexander McAlpen and John Pratt and their heirs the lands embraced in the second purchase - Tracts of St. Harrington together with one half of the old place known as the Evans and Adams lands also Phillis & child for the sole and separate use and benefit of my grand daughter Anne Elizabeth the child of Thomas and Elizabeth for her natural life and after her death to her children and if she die without leaving issue then to be equally divided between my children her uncle and Nephews on her mother's side and their heirs, her surviving.

Item: I give and devise to Elizabeth McAlpen wife of Alexander McAlpen the other half of the John B. McFengie lands the one half having been already devised to Charlotte Short I also give her the slave Sylvia and Peter and fourteen hundred and fifty dollars to her and her heirs.

Item: All the residue of my Estate both Real and Personal I desire shall be equally divided among all my children and all that part or portion which may fall to my sons William and William and to my daughters Sarah, Nancy and Charlotte and my Grand daughter Bailey I leave to Alexander McAlpen and John Pratt and their heirs to be held by them in Trust in the same manner and for the same.

purposes as is herein before respectively provided. I nominate executor and appoint John Pratt and Alexander McAlpen Executors of this my last will and Testament hereby revoking all other wills heretofore made by me and recording my last will and Testament signed sealed published } 12th day of May A.D. 1843 and recorded to the said will & Testament of the Testator in the presence of us was in the presence of the Testator and each of us have witnessed the same. Elizabeth D. Dyer
John B. McFengie

State of North Carolina County of Jones I declare before you that the paper writing offered in evidence is the last will and Testament of Samuel Pratt deceased and that I have devised and bequeathed - Anne, Alexander McAlpen and John Pratt appeared in open court and qualified as Executors and witnesses to the Testamentary.

and John Pratt and their heirs in Trust for the sole and separate use and benefit of my daughter Charlotte Short wife of Thomas Short and her heirs one half of the lands I bought of John B. McSpence also the following slaves Lile and youngest child and Bether youngest child.

Item I give and devise to Alexander McAlpin and John Pratt and their heirs in Trust for the sole and separate use and benefit of my daughter Nancy Short wife of Daniel Short and her heirs the tract of land called Magnolia where Daniel Short now lives purchased of Targher McAl also the following slaves old Joe Ann & Child & Bether.

Item I give and devise to Alexander McAlpin and John Pratt and their heirs the lands embraced in the second purchase - bought of B. H. Harrington together with one half of the old place known as the Evans and Adams lands also Phillis & child for the sole and separate use and benefit of my grand daughter Ann Elizabeth the child of Thomas and City Baily for her natural life and after her death to her children and if she die without leaving issue then to be equally divided between my children her uncle and Nunts on her mother's side and their heirs, her surviving.

Item I give and devise to Elizabeth McAlpin wife of Alexander McAlpin the other half of the John B. McSpence lands the one half having been already devised to Charlotte Short I also give her the slaves Sylvia and Peter and four hundred and fifty dollars to her and her heirs.

Item: All the residue of my Estate both Real and personal I desire shall be equally divided among all my children and all that part or portion which may fall to my sons Brian and William and to my daughters Sarah, Nancy and Charlotte and my Grand daughter Baily I leave to Alexander McAlpin

and John Pratt and their heirs to be held by them in Trust in the same manner and for the same.

purposes as is herein before respectively provided. Signed: I nominate, constitute and appoint John Pratt and Alexander McAlpin Executors of this my last will and Testament hereby revoking all other wills heretofore made by me and declaring this and this only to be my last will and Testament signed sealed published, read, and declared in the presence of the witnesses and Testaments of the Testator in the presence of us was in the presence of the Executors and I each other have witnessed the same.

Testament of Samuel Pratt
 17th day of May A.D. 1843
 Samuel Pratt Test

Witnesses
 Joseph D. Dignish
 C. C. McSpence

State of North Carolina County of Jones & Quarter
 And I do hereby certify that the above being sworn and examined to be the true and correct copy of the paper writings offered in evidence is the last will and Testament of Samuel Pratt deceased and that he did devise and bequeath - Ann, Alexander McAlpin and John Pratt appeared in open court and qualified as Executors and obtained letters Testamentary.