

James Garrison Will

I James Garrison of the County of Sursum and State of North Carolina being of Sound mind and memory but feeling my health daily declining do make and declare this my last will and testament -

Item 1. I give and bequeath to my five Nieces Eliza Ross Jane Briley Nancy Briley Martha Ross and Fanny Martin daughters of my brother William Garrison one hundred dollars each for their sole and separate use and benefit to be paid them by my Executor in four annual installments of twenty five dollars each the first installment to be paid twelve months after my death and the others at the expiration of each succeeding year until the whole sum of five hundred dollars that is the sum of one hundred dollars to each of my aforesaid Nieces legacies shall have been paid each installment of the said legacies shall bear interest from the time it becomes due -

Item 2. I give and bequeath to Thomas, George Joseph George John George and Martha Chase children of my deceased Niece Polly Singer one hundred dollars to be divided equally among them and to be paid by installments precisely as directed in the first clause of this will

Item 3. I further give and bequeath to my said great nephews Thomas Joseph and John George a horse saddle and bridle to each of them each of which shall not be worth less than fifty dollars to be furnished them by my executor as they shall arrive at the age of fifteen years

Item 4. I further give and bequeath to my great Niece Martha Chase one cow and calf and one bed and bedstead and furniture

Item 5. I further give to my Niece Fanny Martin one cow and calf and one bed and bedstead and furniture

Item 6. I give and bequeath to Mary Briley daughter of Samuel Briley one bed and bedstead and furniture

Item 7. It is my will and desire that my Negroes shall be kept together and worked on my plantation for five years after my death and as much longer as it may remain for the proceeds of said plantation my farm to pay my debt, and the Negroes herein superseded.

Item 8. The remainder of my property both real and personal of which I may die seized and possessed I give devise and bequeath to my Nephew Benjamin F. Lewis to have and to hold to him and his heirs forever to meet by hundred acres of land it being in different tract among my Missions house, and the following Negroes (Cloe, Quavias, Frank, Lucy, Selvy John Caroline Jean and Anne Eliza

Item 9. It is my will that my executor shall receive his discretion as to selling the remainder of my personal property (except my Negroes) for the payment of my debts.

I hereby constitute and appoint my Nephew Benjamin F. Lewis my true and lawful Executor to execute this my last will and testament and if further will of my Executor Benjamin F. Lewis should not be present at my death, that my Nephew Joseph Allen shall take charge and possess my property until said Executor shall take possession.

In the presence of me, John Lewis, also being
 Set my hand and seal the 30th day of October 1845.

Witnessed and published solemnly
 John Lewis to his last will and testament
 in the presence of us, who at his request
 and in his presence do subscribe our
 names thereto as witnesses.

On Behalf

W. Little

Witness my hand 1845.
 When the last will and testament of John Lewis
 was duly proven in open court by the oath of
 John Lewis & W. Little - Benjamin F. Lewis, quali-
 fied as executor.

Beulah Moore's Will

I, the name of Beulah Moore

I Beulah Moore of the State of North Carolina and County of Sursum residing in perfect health and of a sound mind and memory do make ordain and publish this my last will and testament in the following manner and form: First It is my will and desire that if I should be called from time to eternity, while a resident of Sursum my body be decently buried beside my deceased husband in the family burial ground and that a sufficient amount be appropriated from the sale of my personal property to erect a stone wall around the said graveyard sufficient to enclose all the family; but not to exceed in cost the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars. Secondly I give to my daughter Pally Moore's three children Martha, Penelope and Betsy Moore five hundred dollars each, little George, Perry, Lucy and Hardy together with all the income any of the said Negroes may now have or may hereafter have either before or after my death, of which said Negroes with the income aforesaid my daughter Pally Moore is to have the use until the youngest of her said three children to wit Betsy Moore arrives at the age of twenty years, if my said daughter Pally should be long continue to live, and when my said granddaughter Betsy Moore arrives at the age of twenty one years or (in case of her death before that time) on the day on which she should have attained that age had she lived, then the said Negroes and their income aforesaid to be equally divided among the three children of my daughter Pally Moore before mentioned, to wit, Martha, Penelope and Betsy Moore and share alike and in case of the death of one or more of the said children before the time of the said division either before or after my death without leaving any issue of her body living at her death, the share or shares of such as shall so die shall go to the survivor or survivors - Thirdly I give to my son Morris Moore the slaves, household stock and Betsy Anne with any income they or either

Item 7. It is my will and desire that my Negroes shall be kept together and worked on my plantation for five years after my death and as much longer as it may remain for the proceeds of said plantation my farm to pay my debts, and the Negroes herein bequeathed.

Item 8. The remainder of my property both real and personal of which I may die seized and possessed I give devise and bequeath to my Nephew Benjamin F. Larris to have and to hold to him and his heirs forever to wit say hundred acres of land it being in different tract among my Massena house, and the following Negroes, Cloe, Annias, Frank, Lucy, Selvy John Caroline Jean and Anne Eliza.

Item 9. It is my will that my executor shall receive his discretion as to selling the remainder of my personal property (except my Negroes) for the payment of my debts.

I hereby constitute and appoint my Nephew Benjamin F. Larris my true and lawful Executor to execute this my last will and testament and further will of my Executor Benjamin F. Larris should not be present at my death, that my truly friend Joseph Allen shall take charge and possess my property until said Executor shall take possession.

In Witness whereof I James Larris do hereby set my hand and seal the 30th day of October 1848.

Witnessed and published solemnly by James Larris his last will and testament in the presence of us, who at his request and in his presence do subscribe our names, there is as Witnesses

C. Johns

W. Little

Witness my hand 1848.

When the last will and testament of James Larris was duly proven in open court by the oath of John Adams & W. Little - Benjamin F. Larris, guardian of the estate.

Retha Moore's Will

In the name of God Amen

I Retha Moore of the State of North Carolina and County of Sursum residing being in perfect health and of sound mind and memory do make ordain and publish this my last will and testament in the following manner and form: First It is my will and desire that if I should be called from time to eternity while a resident of Sursum my body be decently buried beside my deceased husband in the family burial ground and that a sufficient amount be appropriated from the sale of my personal property to erect a stone wall around the said grave yard sufficient to enclose all the family; but not to exceed in cost the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars. Secondly I give to my daughter Polly Dean's three children Martha, Penelope and Retsy Dean five bags of wheat, twelve, little George, Penny Lucy and their daughter with all the increase any of the said Negroes may now have or may hereafter have either before or after my death, of which said Negroes with the increase of said my daughter Polly Dean is to have the use until the youngest of her said three children to wit Retsy Dean arrives at the age of twenty one years, if my said daughter Polly should so long continue to live, and when my said granddaughter Retsy Dean arrives at the age of twenty one years or in case of her death before that time on the day on which she should have attained that age had she lived, then the said Negroes and their increase are to be equally divided among the three children of my daughter Polly Dean before mentioned to wit, Martha, Penelope and Retsy Dean and share alike and in case of the death of one or more of the said children before the time of the said division either before or after my death without leaving any issue of her body living at her death, the share or shares of such as shall so die shall go to the survivor or survivors - Thirdly I give to my son Morris Moore the slaves Henderson Rick and Retsy Anne with any increase they or their

of them may have either before or after my death; and
 in case my said son should die without having lawfully
 been living at his death either before or after my own
 death the said negroes with their ~~successors~~ said women
 shall be equally divided among my three grand children
 Martha Dean Poulson and Betsey Dean

Fourthly I give to my son James Moore ten dollars
 Fifthly I give to my son William D. Moore ten dollars
 Sixthly I give to my son Moore Moore ten dollars
 Seventhly I give to my son Caroline Moore ten dollars
 Eighthly I give to my daughter Emma Moore five dollars
 Ninthly the balance of the money that may be in my
 possession at the time of my decease after paying the
 Legacies herebefore mentioned together with the net
 proceeds of the sales of my property I give to James
 Caroline Emma to have and trust for the use of and
 support of my daughter Polly Dean to be disposed
 of by him during her natural life according to her
 directions and to be paid over after her death to
 such person or persons as she may by will direct
 and in case of her death without having made
 such will then to be equally distributed among
 all her children

Tenthly In case I should outlive my daughter
 Polly Dean then all the money mentioned in
 the preceding or Ninth clause of this my will
 I wish equally distributed among all my daughter
 Polly Dean's children

Eleventhly It is my express desire that my Negro
 man George the Blacksmith be set free im-
 mediately after my decease as a reward for his
 faithful services to me

Twelfthly I appoint James Gordon and Calhoun
 White executors to this my last will and testament
 Thirteenthly and lastly It is my express desire
 that neither my son James Moore nor my
 son in law Saddlebush Dean have any thing to do
 with the settlement of my affairs after death
 or with any of my business whatever
 In witness of all the foregoing I have

hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this
 17th day of March 1846.
 Signed sealed and
 published in presence of
 J. M. Little
 Isaddy
 Betsey Moore
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State of North Carolina County of Pines and Charter
 of the Court of Probate
 Before me the last will and testament of Betsey
 Moore deceased in open Court and duly
 proven by the oath of J. M. Little & S. M. Little
 the subscribing witnesses thereto and
 ordered to be recorded - The records
 named there right to go to the hands
 with whomsoever such records are
 appointed administrators with the will
 annexed of the said Betsey Moore

John Adams's Will

I John Adams of Nassau County in the State of North Carolina being of sound mind and disposing memory but hindered by the uncertainty of my health wish to make declare and publish this my last will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say First that a devout belief is pressing for my body suitable to my circumstances and the wishes of my family who shall survive me I do by this my will give and bequeath to my beloved wife Sarah an half of land purchased of Mary Blakney and other tract purchased of John Pratt also an other tract purchased of Charles & Bartlett Christian whom I had and use during her natural life when she is on hand of Corn fodder, Shucks and all the Bacon and pork that may be on hand at the time of my decease also my entire stock of horses & cattle hay & sheep I expect my lay horse to keep as and dispose of as she shall think proper, also the household and kitchen furniture except one Bureau and two beds and furniture on, also one Negro woman Anne I lend to my wife Sarah during her natural life

I give and bequeath to my daughter Susanna Martins children equally I have and I have a little one Negro woman Ros and her entire woman also one other Negro woman Wenas with her entire increase

I give and bequeath to my eldest son John Adams two Negro men James and George but providing he shall die without any lawful issue surviving him then and in that case the two Negroes James & George it is my will & desire shall then be the property of my sons John & Thomas I also give and bequeath to my son John Adams all the money which I have hitherto purchased him with

I give to my daughter Mary & Everett's children equally I have and I have a little two Negroes Hannah & Flora and their entire

increase and also I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary & Everett and my Negro woman Lucy after the death of my wife Sarah

I give and bequeath to my son John Adams one Negro boy Moses and one Negro girl Charity and my Negro man Dave and after his Mother's death I also give and bequeath to my son John Adams one third of the land which I have given to my daughter her natural life and third of the value of said land also an fifth part of all the money and debts on hand and due at the time of my death

I give and bequeath to my son Thomas & Mary Anne one Negro boy Nathan and one Negro girl Jane and one Negro woman Lence with her increase also an fifth part of all the money and debts at the time of my death also I give and bequeath to my son John Adams one third part of the land which I have bequeathed to his Mother, at his death or anything of the value of said land to have and hold to him & his heirs forever

I give and bequeath to my Grand daughter Mary Jane Pratt and her heirs an tract of land purchased of Brants & Thomas & Thomas as the Grand Mother William place, and other tract of land purchased of Harriet Hinson & giving the last named tract, also an horse & calf and one bed & furniture, also an sum of the money and debts to be that may be on hand at the time of my death

I give and bequeath to my Grand son John A Martin and his heirs an tract of land lying on the North East side of Jones creek and one horse bridle and saddle

I give and bequeath to Susanna & Martin one Negro woman Peggy hoping that she will be treated with humanity

I give and bequeath to my Grand daughter Mary Jane Martin one Bureau and bed & furniture and one lay horse bridle and saddle

I give and bequeath further to my daughter

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Susan Martin one fifth part of all the Money certain debts
to that shall be in hand at the time of my death.

I give and bequeath further to my daughter Mary
I Currett one fifth part of all the Money certain debts
to that shall be in hand at the time of my death.

I give and bequeath to my dear daughter-in-law
Sarah one horse instead of all of my stock of horses
as is written in the foregoing part of this will but
never, not so intended to be.

I give and bequeath to William Thomas Martin
my Grand Son one third part of all the land shown
bequeathing to his Grandson after his death, or
one third part of the value thereof.

I and I John Adams do hereby manifest
and appoint my three sons Archibald, John and
Thomas my executors for the purpose of carrying
into full effect all the provisions and instructions
of this my last will and testament and do publicly
and declare this to be my last will and testament and
every part and clause thereof. Now being sound of mind
utterly free of all other wills made by me in life.
In witness whereof I do hereunto set my hand
and seal this 25 day of October A.D. 1848.
Signed sealed and publishing
in presence of the testator I John Adams Esq
and the presence of each other.

John Adams

Henry Higgs

State of North Carolina County of Jones and

Whereas County of Jones being duly sworn
thence this last will and testament of John
Adams Esq. was offered in open court for probate
and duly proven by the oath of the Clerk and
Henry Higgs the subscribing witness for said
and ordered to be recorded. It being then proved
to Adams one of the Executors named in said
will appeared in open court and was duly
qualified as Executor thereof and obtained
Letters Testamentary.

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In the Name of God I John Adams of the State
North Carolina County of Jones in Ordinary Court solemnly
giving thanks to God for his goodness calling to mind the
Mortality of my body and acknowledging that it is appointed for all
men once to die do make and declare this my last will and
testament that is to say principally and in substance of all I give
and bequeath my land in the jaws of the Creek that grow
I and my land I now own in the usual tract must hold out
ing the same as touching such worldly affairs, when with
I shall please the great spirit of God to be, I give in this life
I give I give and dispose of the same in the following manner
I do hereby appoint and nominate John Platt Esq. and
my wife Mary Platt and John Brady Executors and
first I desire my lawful Executors to be John Adams
more than I desire namely Dennis, George and Washington
I do hereby appoint and nominate to have an opportunity to
obtain a reasonable English education but I
and leave to be paid out of my estate.

I give to my beloved wife Mary Platt my land as written
and exposed of land beginning at a point through running
down South to the Indian Branch up the various corners of said
branch to Thomas Gullidge's corner stake up the stream corner
of the said Gullidge's Spring branch to the corner thence to the
Hassan's stump thence with Gullidge's line to the post on the corner
thence to a rock corner thence to the big post corner said
back to a point corner from the corner to a point inside of the
field thence to a stake from the stake to a stake thence to a broken
stump at the foot of the red hill thence to the Beginning.

I give to my son William Adams one or several of lands
lying on Cedar Creek thence as a part of the Adams land and
all my Grandson I further give my son William my interest
of the Campbell's land I give all my undivided lands to my
four sons namely Thomas, John, Dennis, and George.

I give to my son John my land lying on Adams Creek
thence as a part of the Adams land the land of land that my son
John is in possession of is to be his part of my land my
undivided lands to be valued by three disinterested men
for my sons namely Thomas, Nathaniel, Dennis, and George
the lots to be as near equal as possible and I give for
I give to my daughter Hannah Smith my 1000

by the name of Mrs. I give to my daughter
 Mary Raliff a Negro girl by the name of Rose
 I give then give to my daughter Gelle Minns a Negro
 girl by the name of Kate I give then of the above
 named Negroes I should like to have they are taken
 out of my possession they would be at the risk
 of my estate, I give to my husband wife or
 my Negroes and stock of every description be
 lieve them then to be equally divided amongst my
 heirs if either of my daughters name by Frances
 Susanna and Rachel should choose to have any
 there own. I give each one Negroes & bene
 fited and bequeathing that my last and remaining
 this my last will and testament in witness whereof
 I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 24th
 of March and in the year of our Lord one thousand
 eight hundred and forty eight Signed and
 Sealed & delivered in the presence of us
 John Williams Webb
 John Briggs
 J. H. Raliff

April June 1848

Then the fore going last will
 and testament of James H. Raliff was exhibited
 in open court and duly proved by the oath of
 William Webb John Briggs and J. H. Raliff the
 subscribing witnesses, then to and ordered to be
 recorded - Whereupon John H. Raliff came
 into open court and qualified as executor
 John Brady and Mary Raliff manumitted
 their right to execute the last will of
 James Raliff W. D.

State of North Carolina

John Raliff of the County and State aforesaid
 being of sound mind and disposing memory but long
 in years health and declining the uncertainty of life
 do make and declare this my last will and testament, best
 - ing all other testamentary make. In the first place, I give
 my body to God, and my soul to God, who first gave
 it to me and it is my wish that my body should be decently
 buried, according to the wishes of my friends and to my
 rank in society.

Then first I give unto my husband wife Charlotte H. Raliff
 the following Negro slaves to wit Sam Suck, his wife,
 Rachel, I give unto my wife and to her heirs forever I give all
 after all of the household and kitchen furniture except
 that part given away by this testament and also a new stove
 one pair of shoes & coat, the flock of geese twelve
 heads of sheep, two dogs, plough & two barrels, two
 barrels, one cotton cloth, two working hoes, one garden
 hoe and one spindle two sets of plow & one, one team
 one spinning wheel, one pair of cards, one reel
 under head of bags and the poultry, also my sugar stump
 John Raliff, I give unto my son John H. Raliff & his heirs
 one Negro boy named Sam Suck

Then third I give unto my son John H. Raliff a Negro boy
 named Simon

Then fourth I give unto my son James H. Raliff
 one Negro boy named his son

Then fifth I give unto my daughter Phoebe Sam
 I give one Negro girl named Mary to her

Then sixth I give unto my daughter Sarah & Mrs Elizabeth
 Matthews one Negro girl named Susan

Then seventh I give unto my son Joseph H. Raliff a
 Negro girl named Laura

Then eighth I give unto my son Calum H. Raliff a Negro
 man named Piller and a boy named Solomon

Then ninth I give unto my son Thomas H. Raliff a
 Negro woman named Jane and also a boy

Then tenth I give unto my son Isaac H. Raliff a Negro boy
 named Abram

Item Eleventh I give unto my children Sarah, John, James Joseph, William, Thomas & Robert each a bid-offerance
 Item Twelfth I hereby empower my executor hereafter named to sell to the highest bidder the balance of my negroes on a credit of twelve months with interest from date and the proceeds to be equally divided between all of my children

Item Thirteenth I give unto my son John a horse named Charley and son James a horse named Emma the balance of my stock of corn, things, vessels, tools, and the proceeds equally divided between all of my children as well as all of my personal property not given away by this will.

Item Fourteenth It is my wish and desire that all of my land should be sold on a credit of one hundred years with interest from date, and the proceeds to be equally divided between all of my children

Item Fifteenth It is my wish and desire that I hereby instruct my executor to purchase a plantation for my wife of the value of three hundred dollars, which land may be a home for her & the four young children during her life, and at her death the said land to be sold & equally divided between all of my children

Item Sixteenth It is my wish and desire that the negro given unto my children, should be valued by disinterested persons, and each valuation shall be binding on me, as a final settlement of my debt

Item Seventeenth I hereby empower and appoint my wife as Guardian to my children Robert & Thomas

Item Eighteenth I wish my children as well educated as their circumstances in life will permit
 In Testimony whereof I have the 17th day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty nine set my hand and seal
 Signed Sealed & declared to be the last will & testament of the testator in the presence of

John Gathers
 Eliza J. Gathers

I, Stephen H. Gathers of the County of Sussex & State of North Carolina, having on the 17th day of February made my last will and testament and by said testament I gave unto my wife certain negroes to wit Sarah, John, Joseph, William & Thomas, I therefore make that portion of said will relating to the above my negroes & in case thereof given unto my wife Sarah, John, Joseph, William & Thomas during her natural life and at her death to be equally divided between all of my children, as if I had my hand & seal this the 17th day of February 1849

John Gathers

Eliza J. Gathers

at H. Gathers

I am of the County of Sussex & State of North Carolina
 I being of the County of Sussex & State of North Carolina
 I have the last will and testament of Stephen H. Gathers, deceased, in open court by the oath of the witnesses, one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, and the said will and testament, as shown and read by the witnesses one of the subscribing witnesses subscribed to be subscribed
 Whereupon William G. Gathers obtaining letters of administration with the will annexed

In the Names of God Amos, S. Thomas & Green of the County of Anson and State of North Carolina being of sound minds and memory and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die. We my said to God my body to be buried in Saint Christian Church at the discretion of my Exrs. and as touching my Estate I give and dispose of in the following manner (viz)

First I give to my beloved wife Mary Green the whole of my Estate Real and Personal after paying all my Just debts for the Purpose of Raising and Educating my Children. I appoint my Wife Mary Green my Exrs together with David Huntly Sen my Exr to this my last will and testament.

Witness I have at my hand and seal July 11th 1849
 S. Thomas & Green
 Sherwood Threshing

State of North Carolina } Laws of said State
 Anson County } Superior Ct. Nov. 1849.

Then the last will and Testament of Thomas & Green was duly proven in open Court by Sherwood Threshing one of the Subscribing witnesses thereto - whereupon Mary Green qualifying as executrix and David Huntly as Executor and obtaining letters Testamentary

State of North Carolina } S. David & Lilly of the County
 Anson County } aforesaid being of sound mind and memory but considering the uncertainty of my earthly Existence do publish and declare this to be my last Will and Testament (viz)

First, I request my Executors hereinafter named to pay all of my Just debts.

Second, I will unto my son Samuel all of my wearing apparel and Temperance Budge.

Third, I will to my Daughter Mary one Gold watch formerly her Mother's now in possession of Ann Little to be delivered to her on the completion of her Education.

4th I give to my Daughter Martha Ann one Gold watch now in my possession to be delivered to her on the completion of her Education by her Guardian.

5th I request my Exrs to sell all of my real Estate if they can get anything in their Judgment what it is worth particularly my dwelling House and home tract of Land of 80 acres. Should they not have a reasonable offer to sell I request them to Rent or lease it.

6th I request my debts to be paid out in humane hands and those who have wives or husbands not to be separated more than eight or Ten miles.

7th I request the remaining Stock of Goods and all other Property I own not named to be sold.

8th I request my Executors to keep W. T. Knight in the employ of winding up my business until the expiration of his stipulated term of service, as he knows more about my business than any other Person and I request him to close every book I hold forthwith by Book or Cash or Judgment if the debtors will not do either on presentment.

9th I will to the Methodist Episcopal Church South One hundred dollars to be paid over to the members of the Wadesboro Circuit quarterly Conference to be put to Interest the Interest of which to be paid annually for Quartermen &c as said Members and their Successors in office may think proper to be paid as Quartermen &c from Concord Church.

10th I will to my Children (viz) Samuel S. Mary C. Martha Ann Letitia F. and Sarah Cornelia Lilly an Equal portion of all my Estate not willed above to be divided off as they become of age or marry provided they do not marry under the

age of 17 years in which case their Guardian will retain their Estate until they arrive to the age of 17 years

11th I request that my son Samuel shall have a good collegiate Education and all of my daughters a good English Education if their Monied part of my Estate will accomplish it to be paid out of their own part of my Estate

12th I request that Samuel Spencer or John A Lilly will act as Guardian for my Children

13th I do nominate and appoint Samuel Spencer and John A Lilly my Executors to this my last will and testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same Given under my hand and seal the 14th day of February 1847

J. C. Lilly (seal)

State of North Carolina } Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions
Trenton County } October Term 1847. A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of David C. Lilly deceased, was offered for Probate by John A. Lilly one of Executors therein named and it appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that said Paper writing was found among the Valuable papers of the deceased testator and William B. H. Gortle, Nathan Beverly, Sidney B. Threlkeld and John Hyson four Credible witnesses and acquaintances of the deceased being duly sworn declare on oath that they are well acquainted with the hand writing of the said David C. Lilly Decd and that they believe that said Paper writing purporting to be his last will and testament as aforesaid was signed by him the said J. C. Lilly in his own proper hand writing and that every part thereof was written by himself it is therefore ordered by the Court that said Paper writing be admitted to probate and be recorded as the last will and testament of the said David C. Lilly whereupon John A. Lilly one of the Executors named in said Will was duly qualified and Letters Testamentary Ordered to issue to him as such

State of North Carolina }

Weldon County }

In the name of God Amen. I William A. Lilly in full possession of proper mind and understanding, do hereby certify that it is an express appointment for all mine to die I make to dispose of my worldly property and effects and in the following manner

First I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife - Rebecca Lilly one Negro girl named Caroline one horse saddle and bridle two head of cattle two beds, bedsteads, furniture & I gave hundreds dollars in money to her and her heirs forever

2^d I give and bequeath unto my beloved son - Elijah C. Lilly one Negro woman named Mary one hundred dollars in money to him and his heirs forever

Next I nominate and appoint my friend John A. Lilly as my Executor to collect all debts, receive I claim that Mary be giving me to sell all my stock of hogs & cattle horses my crop of corn & cotton - I will also property, not above mentioning to pay all my debts & to faithfully execute the foregoing part of this my last will and testament and then I will and bequeath all money, lands & property not before mentioning in this will to my son - Elijah C. Lilly to him and his heirs forever

Signed, sealed the 11th day of November A.D. one thousand eight hundred and forty seven 1847

In presence of us

J. W. Crawford

J. L. Throckm

Wm. A. Lilly
Wm. A.

January Term 1850.

On the foregoing was subscribed in open court and duly sworn by the oath of J. W. Crawford one of the Subscribing witnesses thereto and to be recorded - Whereupon James H. Lilly the Executor Thence named appeared, in open court and was duly qualified and obtained letters Testamentary

age of 17 years in which case their Guardian will retain their Estate until they arrive to the age of 17 years.

11th I request that my son Samuel shall have a good Collegiate Education and 2 of my daughters a good English Education if their Honored part of my estate will accomplish it to be paid out of their own part of my Estate.

12th I request that Samuel Spencer or John & Lilly will act as Guardian for my Children.

13th I do nominate and appoint Samuel Spencer and John & Lilly my Executors to this my last will and testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same. Given under my hand and seal the 14th day of February, 1847.

D. C. Lilly (Seal)

State of South Carolina } Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions
Huron County } October Term 1847. A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of David C. Lilly deceased, was offered for Probate by John & Lilly one of Executors therein named and it appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that said Paper writing was found among the Valuable papers of the deceased testator and William B. McKee, Nathan Beverly, Sidney B. Thruvick and John Tyson four Credible Witnesses and acquaintances of the deceased being duly sworn declare on oath that they are well acquainted with the hand writing of the said David C. Lilly Decd and that they believe that said Paper writing purporting to be his last will and testament as aforesaid was signed by him the said D. C. Lilly in his own proper hand writing and that every part thereof was written by himself it is therefore ordered by the Court that said Paper writing be admitted to probate and be recorded as the last will and testament of the said David C. Lilly whereupon John & Lilly one of the Executors named in said Will was duly qualified and latter Testamentary Ordered to Spew to them as such.

State of South Carolina }

Huron County }

In the name of God Amen. I William B. McKee in full possession of proper mind and understanding, And knowing that it is now appointed for all men to die I desire to dispose of my worldly property and effects and in the following manner.

First I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Abigail C. McKee one Negro girl named Caroline one horse saddle and bridle two head of cattle two beds, bedsteads, furniture & four hundred dollars in money to her and her heirs forever.

2^d I give and bequeath unto my beloved son Elijah C. McKee one Negro woman named Mary one hundred dollars in money to him and his heirs forever.

And I nominate and appoint by special power the James B. McKee as my Executor to collect all debts, receive & deliver that may be owing me to sell all my block of hogs & cattle & horses my crop of corn & cotton & all other property, that above mentioned to pay all my debts & to faithfully execute the foregoing part of this my last will and testament and then I will and bequeath all money & property not herein mentioned in this will to my son Elijah C. McKee to him and his heirs forever.

Signed & sealed the 11th day of November A.D. one thousand eight hundred and forty seven 1847.

In presence of us

J. W. Crawford

J. L. Strickland

Wm B. McKee
Mark

January Term 1850.

The the foregoing was read & hit to in open court and duly proven by the oath of J. W. Crawford one of the Subscribing witnesses thereto & ordered to be recorded. Whereupon James B. McKee, the Executor therein named appeared, in open court and was duly qualified and solemnly sworn Testamentary

State of North Carolina - Anson County

I, Eliza H. Selby of the County aforesaid being of Sound Mind and Memory but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence - do make this my last will and testament in manner and form following - That

as to say

First That my Executors (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 hereinafter and to whomsoever owing out of the Monies that may first come into his hands as a part or parcel of my Estate -

Item 1st I give and devise to my beloved wife Eliza H. Selby during her natural life or widowhood all of the land whereon I now live situate in two tracts - One known as the home tract - the other as the Little Oak land - together of 1100 Acres of land - The two tracts containing about four hundred acres together with all the improvements thereon all the furniture household & kitchen - all such that may be necessary for a decent and comfortable support -

Item 2nd I give and devise to my daughter Susan Selby now the Strickland lately removed to the State of Mississippi a Negro boy named Ben aged about fifteen years - A Negro girl Wiley aged about 14 years and a Negro man in her possession -

Item 3rd I give and devise to my daughter Mary Selby now also lately removed to the State of Mississippi One Negro woman named Lily aged about thirty two years and a boy named Henry and a child of Lily aged about 5 or 6 years -

Item 4th I give and devise to my son James Selby when he arrives at age of 21 years a Negro boy George aged 14 years old which boy I own a slave at ten hundred dollars together with a horse saddle and bridle worth one hundred dollars -

Item 5th I give and devise to my daughter Mary Selby a Negro or Negroes to the Value of five hundred or five hundred dollars to be purchased for her by my executor hereinafter named with funds left

by me in his hands for said purpose -
Item 6th It is my desire that the remaining portion of my property consisting of one Man three women boys girls & children remain upon the land left my wife and farm thereon for the support of my younger children as well as to raise means for their education - But in the event of its being thought advisable to hire some of said Negroes out as being most profitable than my Executor to have such liberty -

Item 7th It is my wish that my children have a good practical English education and those of my sons who exhibit inclination to engage in any of the Mechanical Trades and vices - I give them for that they be encouraged to do so - and as my children become of age or marry wish them to have a Negro or Negroes equal but in Value to five hundred dollars and my sons to have a good horse - the selection of the Negroes in all cases to be made by my wife and be made as near equal as possible -

Item 8th In the event of either of my children dying without heirs property devised through me to revert and be equally divided among the surviving brothers and sisters -

Item 9th I hereby authorize my Executor to make sale of a certain piece of land lying in Anson County of three hundred & fifty five acres on the headwaters of Waxham creek upon a credit of one & two years as well as to make all collections and such funds so raised kept at his trust in safe hands to aid in educating my children - and defraying all expenses in educating my children - And at the death of my wife all property not disposed of in the foregoing as well as all property belonging to my estate to be equally divided amongst all my children -

And Lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my wife - Eliza H. Selby Executor to act in conjunction with my friends Benjamin Kinsale as Executor to execute this my last will and testament according to the intent and meaning thereof and every part & clause of the same hereby proving & declaring, fully valid all other wills & testaments by me herebefore made the witness whereof I Lewis Eliza H. Selby do hereunto set my hands and seal this 23rd day of February A.D. 1850 In presence of J. B. Smith C. L. Selby J. B. Smith

This date and year above written

In presence of
 Jas. White Michael ^{his} ~~the~~ ^{Plamers} ~~Seal~~
 Stephen Bayet Mark

State of North Carolina Court of Chancery
 Meane County Quarter Session
 April Term 1858

Then the last will and testament of Michael
 Plamers was exhibited in open Court and duly
 proven by the oath of James White and Stephen
 Bayet the Subscribing witnesses thereto and
 ordered to be recorded and Jeremiah White
 the executor therein named appeared in open
 Court and was duly qualified.

In the name of God Amen I Thomas S. Blake of the
 County of Meane and State of North Carolina being of
 sound mind and memory and disposing understanding
 am coming to mind the Mortality of all things, so on this
 the 17th day of January in the year of our Lord 1858. make
 and ~~subscribing~~ this my last will and testament in the
 following manner -

First of all I wish to be interred in Christian-burying
 ground such a manner as may suit the wishes of my
 family and friends
 Secondly it is my wish and desire that my Negro boy Arthur
 to be sold at public sale at the Court house in Hadesboro
 and the money arising therefrom to be applied to the payment
 of my debts so far as I may owe at my decease the
 balance to be applied to purchase him in a pite Manner
 Thirdly it is my wish and desire that all my estate both
 Real and personal (after the payment of my debts) should
 be left in the hands of my wife Corolla C. Blake until my
 youngest child Elmina Jane Blake arrives at the age of
 fifteen years with the following proviso: that is I
 wish all my children who are still of minor age to be
 raised and educated off of the profits that may arise
 out of said estate also it is my wish and desire that
 when any of my children should marry or dispose
 to leave that it shall be in the power of the Executors
 of this will to give them off certain portion or
 portions of the said estate as they may think proper
 Keeping an account of said property given off
 until a final settlement takes place with my children
 which settlement should then take place when my
 youngest child arrives at the above stated age of fifteen
 years at which time it is my wish and desire that a
 Supplication of said estate should remain in the hands of my
 wife Corolla C. Blake for her to live comfortably in
 during her natural life and that the remainder of my
 property be so disposed of by my Executors as they shall
 think best so that an equal division can be made
 among all my children each to have and share
 a like share at the death of my wife Corolla C. Blake
 it is my wish and desire that all the property remain

in her hands at her decease to be so disposed
of by my Executors as they shall think best so
that an equal division be made amongst
all my children each to share and share
a like and in case should my wife Sarah C
Blake die before my youngest child arrive at
the above stated age of sixteen years I wish
it to be in the power of my Executors or Trustees
to still keep the property together for the use
and purposes as stated in another clause
of this will and lastly, I hereby revoke and constitute
and appoint my beloved wife Sarah C Blake
Executor and my Brother William C Blake
Executor of this my last will & testament
hereby revoking and making void any will
and testament by me at any time made
declaring this and this only to be my last will
and testament In witness whereof I the testator
in the presence of the witnesses and all in
the presence of each other have hereunto
subscribed my names
Signed sealed in 3
The presence of 3
Jesse Gay
Francis C Blake

State of North Carolina 3 Court of Pleas & Quarter
Mecklenburg County 3 Adjourn April Term 1857
The foregoing last will and testament of Thomas
C Blake was duly proven in open court by the
oath of Francis C Blake one of the subscribing witnesses
therein and ordered to be recorded and Wm. C Blake
the executor therein appeared in open court and
was duly qualified and obtained Letters Testamentary

In the Name of God I Turner Hort of the State of North
Carolina said County of Anson being of sound and perfect
Mind and Memory blessed be God I do this 15 day of October
1847. And make and publish this my last will and testament
in manner as following that is to say

First I give and bequeath unto my wife her maintenance
out of my property her lifetime if she is the longest liver
by John T Hort and one hundred shillings and twenty dollars

I give unto Abigail Hort the land whereon he now
lives the John B. line place

I give unto Henry T Hort half of John Cantings place
and the Hillaughby place and one hundred shillings
Elinor Hort has had his part of the land and has sold
it and I bought it half of the Cantings place I give
unto John T Hort the place where I now live and
the place I bought of Elinor Hort and four or five acres
are by the name of Ervin and one by the name
of Lirrup and one by the name of Mills and one by
the name of Hagar and sealed to him and his heirs
and all that has not been given away to be sold
and the money divided between all my heirs and
what will go to Penny Laraman to give it into
her hands as she calls for it and no body else
and to Penny also as she needs to no one else
and I have John T Hort my Executor to my
will

Witness J. H. Baggan
H. B. M. Coker

State of North Carolina 3 Court of Pleas & Quarter
Anson County 3 Adjourn April Term 1857.

In the Name of God Amen -

I Martha Baggan being of sound mind and memory do make and publish this my last will and testament as follows to wit.

Item 1st I give and bequeath to my beloved son George D Baggan my Negro Man George also give him my Negro woman Jane and her child Martha to his use and benefit until Martha Smith daughter of Alexander B Smith arrives of age or marries. I will Negroes Jane and Martha then to be Valued and one third of their Value to be allotted to said Martha Smith to be held in Trust by the said George D Baggan for the separate use and benefit of the said Martha Smith and not be liable for the debts or contracts of any husband she may hereafter marry the remaining two thirds of the Value of said Negroes to be held by the said George D Baggan until Adaline Smith daughter of Alexander B Smith arrives of age or marries and then to be held by him in Trust for the separate use and benefit of said Adaline Smith so as not to be liable for the debts or contracts of any husband she may hereafter marry, but if the aforesaid Martha Smith shall die without a child or die leaving no child then the one third of said property given to her use and benefit to be equally divided between Adaline Smith and Patrick W Smith and if Adaline shall die leaving no child then the two thirds of the aforesaid property given to her or the Value of the same shall be equally divided between Martha Smith and Patrick W Smith that part descending to either Martha or Adaline in case of the death of the other to be held in Trust by George D Baggan for the use and benefit of the surviving one and not to be liable for the debts or contracts of any husband she may hereafter marry.

Item 2nd I give and bequeath to my grand son Patrick W Smith a note I hold on Alexr.

B. Smith for fifty dollars but if he should die without lawful issue then the proceeds of said note shall be equally divided between his sisters Martha and Adaline -

Item 3rd I give and bequeath to my grand daughter Anne Baggan the proceeds of a note I hold on John R Barker for about two hundred and fifty dollars after paying all debts which I owe and funeral expenses.

I do constitute and appoint my son George D Baggan my executor to this my last will and testament signed and sealed this 28th day of September 1852.

In presence of
Ed. B. Ash

Martha Baggan

William Baggan

State of North Carolina, County of Johnston
This 3rd day of January 1853.

Then the last will and testament of Martha Baggan was exhibited in open Court and duly proven by the oath of Ed. B. Ash one of the Justices of the Peace then and there sitting and ordered to be recorded. -
Whereupon George D Baggan the Executor therein named appeared in open Court and was duly qualified as executor to the will aforesaid -
At D Baggan CMO

In the name of God Amen I Samuel Syam of the County of Meigs and State of North Carolina being at present in the enjoyment of a reasonable portion of health and of a sound disposing mind and knowing that he is to God for the same and calling to mind the uncertainty of life & the certainty of death have made this my last will and testament (proving all other) in manner & form as follows—

- 1st I have already given to my son Samuel Syam a certain tract or parcel of land situate lying and being in said County of Meigs on which he now lives which I value at five hundred dollars—
- 2nd I have already given to my daughter Mary McCloud a certain tract or parcel of land situate lying in said County of Meigs near the possession of her husband John McCloud which I also value at five hundred dollars—
- 3rd I have already given to my son David Syam a sum in the City of New Orleans five hundred dollars in cash in the place of a tract of land—
- 4th I have already given to my son Samuel Syam of Tennessee five hundred dollars in cash in place of a tract of land which I gave one of my children—
- 5th I give unto my daughter Mary Syam (after my decease) the tract of land on which I now live situate lying & being in said County of Meigs which I value at five hundred dollars & also give her the choice of all my horses with a bridle and saddle one cow & calf one sow & pigs one chair bed & furniture one chest or trunk her choice with some other articles of household furniture as the most had as late Peter Rogers states wishes &c.
- 6th I have already given to my son Merit Syam a certain tract or parcel of land situate lying & being in said County on which he now lives the value of which I set down at five hundred dollars—
- 7th I give unto my daughter Elizabeth Smith wife of W. M. Smith five hundred dollars in place of land as given to some of my other children

having interest from 1st of January 1845. the Money to be paid over to her out of the proceeds of my other property when sold & the Money collected—

- 8th I give unto my grand son Isaac Samuel Syam of the State of Tennessee five hundred dollars to be paid over by my Executor into the hands of a Commissioner appointed for him out of the proceeds of the sale of my other property when sold and collected the amount subject to deduct from the time the said Money is due—
- 9th It is my will that my Executor as soon as practicable sell all the lands that I own being as with & proper part of at the time of my decease & not otherwise given off. on a Credit of twelve months & grant title to the purchaser dividing it off in a manner that they may think best calculated to sell to the best advantage as there are several tracts— It is also my wish that all my remaining stock of horses cattle hogs &c. &c. with my crop of corn fodder wheat cotton household and kitchen furniture farming utensils &c. that is not otherwise disposed of be sold with my lands and after paying off &c. may just debts the balance whatever it is to be divided between all my children—
- 10th It is my wish that if I should so turn out in the course of providence that my grand son Isaac Syam should not live to be or arrive at the age of twenty years or should die without issue then the said given to him in another item to be equally divided among my other heirs—
- 11th It is my will that my executor sell at the same time of my other sale my Negro woman Hannah which has been & is now in the possession of W. M. Smith on the same Credit and in case there should not be a sufficiency of Money arising from the sale of my other property and the Collection of all the debts due my estate to raise the said of Money called for in the several items mentioned before then sell one or more of such of my Negroes as will be sufficient to raise the said—
- 12th It is my will that my friends Joseph Medley Jacob Goodman and Miles W. Moske if they should live & in case they should not survive me their others to be chosen by my executor to collect off & value all my Negroes that otherwise given off or disposed of into five

Lets the old & young ones be arranged as to place them as high upon an equality as the Nature of the case will admit of & drawn by my five children Samuel, Nancy, Mary, Merit & Ch. eldest being Sam. Merit & Susan of N. Orleans to have the debt of our lot of Negroes after deducting the amount of a note which I hold against him to be paid to him out of the Monies arising from the sale of my other property —

- 13th In account of the Confidance I have in my Lawman Marling M. Smith and my son Merit I give and do hereby constitute and appoint these Executors to this my last will & Testament in testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal this the 5th day of October in the year of our Lord 1847.
Done in the Presence of Samuel Tysen Esq
M. W. Haskie
Th. J. Haskie

I Samuel Tysen of the County of Anson & State of North Carolina do make & add to this my last will & Testament the following Codicil to wit

I do hereby revoke the 7th Item in this my last will & Testament & instead of the five hundred dollars given to my daughter, Elizabeth. I do hereby give unto her the before mentioned Elizabeth Smith wife of S. H. Smith and Negro woman named Hannah also I give her the amount of a Judgment I obtained against Wilson Allen adverse of Julius Allen Esq. and now in the hands of the Sheriff in testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal this 17th day of December 1850.

Done in the Presence of

M. W. Haskie

Isaac Tysen Esq.

January Term 1851. When the will of Samuel Tysen was exhibited in open Court and duly proven by the oath of M. W. Haskie & Th. J. Haskie the subscribing witnesses thereto And the Codicil thereto was duly proven in open Court by M. W. Haskie and Isaac Tysen Esq. and proved to be genuine & valid upon all the Smiths Merit Tysen were duly qualified as Executors

I. the Name of God Amen. I being the Elder of the County of Anson and State of North Carolina knowing that all men has to die and being in sound and disposing mind and memory do make this my last will and Testament —

- 1st I will my land to Isaac Tysen Esq. & my
2nd I will to my sister Susan Threewest all my Negro man Tily and all my lands lying between the old country tract and the river road containing one hundred and fifty acres more or less —

- I will unto my Brother William Allen one thousand dollars
4th I will to my Brother Joseph Allen one thousand dollars —
5th I will to my sister Ruth Boyd two hundred & fifty dollars —
6th I will to my sister Jane Co. David two hundred & fifty dollars
7th I will to my sister Mary Brady my Negro girl Ann & her four children Eliza, George, Daniel, and Mary and the tract of lands on which I now live also my Negro man Cofa. During her natural life after her death the monies to be equally divided between her four children now living

I will to the children of my sister Martha twenty fifty dollars each. I will to the children of my sister Charlotte Watson fifty dollars each —

I will to my sister Anne Allen's children fifty dollars each —

I will to my Brother Joseph W. Allen all my lands lying below the river road also my Negro boy Susan also my boy Jo. on condition he has no claim on my estate —

I will as my last Executors my Brother S. W. Allen, and my friend Buzi & Lusk —

After my debts are all paid the residue of my estate to be equally divided among my Brothers and Sisters now living. It is also my will that my effects should remain on the plantation where I now live — It is also my will that my Brother Joseph shall remain on my plantation this year and have full possession —

March 18th 1851.

James H. Allen Esq.

Isaac Tysen Esq. April Term 1851. When the above James Haskie & well authenticated in open Court by the oath of M. W. Haskie & Th. J. Haskie the subscribing witnesses thereto And the Codicil thereto was duly proven in open Court by M. W. Haskie and Isaac Tysen Esq. and proved to be genuine & valid upon all the Smiths Merit Tysen were duly qualified as Executors

In the Name of God Amen, I Murdock McKim,
of the County of Essex and State of North Carolina, knowing
the uncertainty of this present life, and at this time being
weak in body but of sound mind and Memory; do
Make and publish this my last will and Testament in
Manner and form following, to wit:-

- 1st It is my will and desire that my executor hereinafter named provide a decent burial for my body suitable to the wishes of my relatives and friends, and pay all my just debts, hawsamur, or to whomsamur owing out of the first munny that may come into his hands as a part and parcel of my estate —
- 2nd I give and devise to my son James McRae all my real estate containing about 800 acers be the same more or less. I also give unto him the following Niggers namely Dick, George, Peter, Samy. Wm and his son Pleasant & Henry —
- 3rd I give unto legnath to my daughter Nancy McRae two Nigger girls named Sarah & Eliza —
- 4th I give and legnath to my daughter Margaret McRae a Negro woman named Martha and her children —
- 5th I also give and legnath to my daughter Christian McRae six hundred and sixty ~~dollars~~ dollars which I have paid over to her —
- 6th I give and legnath to my son James McRae, and my daughter Nancy McRae all my household and kitchen furniture —
- 7th All the residue of my estate I give unto my son James McRae —
- Lastly I do hereby appoint and constitute my said son James McRae Executor to this my last will and testament; hereby revoking all other wills by me heretofore made. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 16th day of November A.D. 1848.
- Murdoch McRae
- Signed sealed in the presence of us }
who at the request of the testator have } April Term 1851, proven
Subscribed and sworn as aforesaid } in open Court by Edw B
to the same, Geo H Baggens }
White }

North Carolina - Anson County

September 24th 1847. In the presence of God Chas. H. Linn
 Bequeath this to my son, Ed. Will and Testament as follows
 I give unto my two sons, Ed. & Mary, forever for the
 kind and affectionate love which I have for them is all
 of my lot in the land where I now live. Also I
 give unto them the tract of land known as the Wagon
 Land I also give unto them all of my lot in the
 stock of hogs cattle & sheep. I also give them
 two chair horses on the plantation I also give
 them all of my lot of the house hold furniture
 furniture I also give unto them my lot in
 a Negro man by the name of Sam. I want them
 to have four shares of all my Negroes, I want
 all of the rest of my property sold —

State of North Carolina - Court of Wills, Deeds &c.
 Anson County. September 24th 1847.

August 22nd 1846.

In the Name of God Amen

I John Suggs do make and ordain this my last
 Will and Testament being of sound mind and memory
 First I leave my spirit to God who gave it, and
 then for all my just debts to be paid out of my property
 First I give all my real and personal estate to my
 beloved wife Lucy Suggs during her natural life
 and to dispose of the same as she pleases after death
 after my wife's death for Martha Suggs to have
 one fourth part of what is left to my wife during
 her lifetime — One fourth to Lucy Suggs
 One fourth to my sister Sarah in Alabama and
 her children — And the other fourth to my
 sister Parthena Thomas and I appoint Christopher
 Watkins my lawful executor to attend to my
 business
 I also give my Brother Joseph Suggs my four
 acre tract and four dollars to buy him a bible
 I witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand
 and seal
 John Suggs
 Subscribed
 Ed. Will
 Mary Suggs
 Christopher Watkins

State of North Carolina - Superior Court of Law
 Anson County. 3rd District. 1846.

Judgment of the said Superior Court
 affirmed the said executor that the paper exhibiting
 offered for probate is duly proved as a will of
 said John Suggs, and that the clerk certify the same with
 the proceedings in this case to the County Court
 that Saml. P. Thomas, Thomas Suggs, Lucy
 Suggs, Parthena Thomas, William Suggs, John
 Suggs, Joseph Suggs & Sarah Suggs pay all
 part of this debt.

North Carolina Anderson County

September 24th 1847. In the presence of God A. H. Ingram
 Bequeath this to his my last will and Testament as follows
 I give unto my two sister Selin & Mary Ingram for the
 kind and affection love which I have for them is all
 of my lot in the land where I now live. Also I
 give unto them the tract of land known as the Wagon
 Land I also give unto them all of my lot in the
 stock of hogs cattle & sheep I also give them
 two chair horses on the plantation I also give
 them all of my lot of the house hold furniture
 furniture I also give unto them my lot in
 a Negro man by the name of Sam I want them
 to have four shares of all my Negroes. I want
 all of the rest of my property sold —

State of North Carolina — Court of Pleas & Quarter
 Anderson County — September 1856.

August 22nd 1846.

In the Name of God Amen
 I John Ingram do make and ordain this my last
 Will and Testament being of sound mind and memory
 first I leave my spirit to God who gave it, and
 then for all my just debts to be paid out of my property
 first I give all my Real and personal estate to my
 beloved wife Lucy Ingram during her natural life
 and to dispose of the same as she pleases after death
 after my wife's death for Martin Ingram to have
 one fourth part of what is left to my wife during
 her lifetime — One fourth to Lucy Martin
 One fourth to my sister Sarah in Alabama and
 her children — And the other fourth to my
 sister Parthena Thomas and I appoint Christopher
 Matthews my lawful executor to attend to my
 business
 I also give my Brother Joseph Ingram my five
 acre tract and four shares to my him or his
 I with my wife of whom here unto set my hand
 and seal
 John Ingram
 Lucy Ingram

Subscribed
 Christopher Matthews

State of North Carolina — Superior Court of Law
 Anderson County — 3rd October 1856.

Judgment of the said Superior Court
 affirmed the Court considers that the paper exhibiting
 offered for probate is duly proved as a will of
 John Ingram, and that the clerk certify the same with
 the proceedings in this case to the County Court
 that Saml P. Thomas, Thomas Andrew, Lucy
 Martin, Parthena Thomas, William Ingram, John
 Ingram, Joseph Ingram & Sarah Ingram pay all
 part of this debt.

State of North Carolina - Sussex County

I Charles P. Bellingsphy of the County and State aforesaid being of sound mind and memory, but considering the uncertainty of my health & the exigencies do make me hereby declare this to be my last will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say:

1st I desire that my Executors hereafter named shall take immediate charge after my death of my Estate & continue all the farming operations for the present year and year is under the control of my present Curator J. P. Tyson whilst he may remain and then under the management of whomsoever my Executors may employ to succeed him -

2nd I desire that my Executors in order to meet the just claims that may arise against my Estate have power to sell my lands when my farm together with all its stock, that they experience their best discretion in selecting some person competent to manage my plantation and to continue to make my improvements for the term of three or four years the length of time to be determined by them according to the condition of my Estate and out of the proceeds arising from the sales to pay all debts that I justly owe -

3rd I should my Executors at the expiration of the time I have said in the preceding section be master of my balance and think it will subserve the interest of my Estate to make sale of my land they are hereby authorized to do so the proceeds to constitute a part & parcel of my Estate

4th It is my wish that my balance with Henry have a negro to be chosen by herself but I desire it to remain where the plantation with the rest of my lands whilst my Executors continue to cultivate the farm but said negro however to constitute a part of her interest in my Estate at its fair valuation -

5th I desire that after all debts are paid my estate be equally divided amongst my wife & children allowing my wife first share of the negroes at a fair valuation as I expressed above -

6th I desire my children to remain at home and that my wife and executor give them an opportunity of obtaining a sound practical English education and that they be trained up in habits of sobriety & industry I desire I hereby constitute and appoint my friends E. B. Wright & John Tyson Jr my lawful Executors to all intents & purposes to carry out this my last Will and Testament according to the true intent and meaning thereof I have made my last Will this 17th day of June A.D. 1851

In presence of
Burrill & Standish

W. Hyatt

State of North Carolina - Sussex County
Where the execution of the last will and Testament of Charles P. Bellingsphy has duly been ascertained by the oath of Burrill & Standish and Burdett the subscribing witnesses thereunto and of John Tyson Jr - Whereupon John Tyson Jr one of the Executors there named appears in open court and was duly qualified and obtained letters Testamentary

In the presence of said Justice of the Peace of the County of
 Nassau and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory, that
 him well understood his affairs and considering the uncertainty of my
 earthly existence I have made and published this my last will and testament
 in manner and form following, that is to say
 First that my Executor (hereafter named) shall provide for my
 body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my family which
 said Executor shall pay all funeral expenses together with my just
 debts and to whomsoever owing out of the Moneys that
 may first come into his hands and part or parts of my estate -
 Then I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Mary the
 lot of land on which I now live containing two hundred
 & eighty acres and also Jack and Beller (Slaves) whose
 three current values together with the house and its furniture
 furniture, that I may own at the time of my death, to have
 and hold the said for and during the term of her natural life
 in satisfaction for maintenance of her services and this
 of and in all at one estate.

Then I give and bequeath to my son Alexander McPherson
 and to my daughter Margaret McPherson, each of them
 Catharine McPherson and Mary McPherson, to each an
 equal part of all my Moneys & the share, hereafter
 named, hereafter and thereat together with the residue
 at the time of my death and also an equal part of each
 of all my effects (except what I have given and bequeathed
 to my beloved wife Mary) at the time of her death
 my wife and I give that my daughters Margaret
 Sarah, Catharine and Mary should each share and
 have also in Jack and Beller the land and all my
 effects and that my son Alexander share a like with
 them in all of my effects part or parts of the land in which he
 has no part, to each of my children as a share and
 I give and bequeath as above to them their heirs assigns
 executors and administrators forever.

It is my will and desire that all my property real
 and personal at my death be sold at public sale on
 nine months credit and disposed of as a house against
 said lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my
 dearly beloved son Alexander my lawful Executor to all
 intent and purposes to execute this my last will and testament

According to the true and meaning of the same and every clause
 and part thereof hereby revoking and declaring utterly void
 all other wills and testaments by me heretofore made -

In witness whereof I the said Alexander McPherson do here
 unto set my hand and seal this 15 Day September Anno Domini
 1846. Legally published

and declared by the said Alexander McPherson 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. W. Tuck

James W. Boggan
 Thomas Layton

State of North Carolina County of Jones
 I the undersigned Clerk of the Court of the said County
 do hereby certify that the last will and testament of the said
 Alexander McPherson was duly proved in open court by the oath of James Boggan
 one of the subscribing witnesses thereto and that the same
 was then read and the executor thereon named Alexander McPherson
 appeared and was duly qualified as the Executor
 of the said Alexander McPherson and as such acting before
 the Court.

For Clerk of the Court

Use the name of God Accused, I Zachariah White of the County of Surin and State of North Carolina being very sick and weak in body, but of sound disposing mind, and memory (thanks be to God for the same) calling to mind the last state of my body and mind, and it is my will and pleasure that my last will and testament be and lawfully be, and I do hereby declare this my last will and testament first and principally of all I do mean unto my body, to the effect to be hereinafter in a secret Christian burial, and so touching most of my goods and chattels here placed God is blessed with me, this I give, devise and bequeath in the following manner and form viz.

Item 1st I give unto my wife and her heirs Josephine White the house and plantation whereon I have been together with all my stock of cattle, horses, and my farming tools and utensils, household and kitchen furniture, during her natural life or until her death; After her death her one Negro man and female, her two Negro women, and one and a half Negro woman named Sarah, John and Mary her personal items, clothing, her linen or underclothes.

Item 2nd I give unto my son Joseph White the house and plantation whereon I have been at the death of my wife, but if my wife should wish to remove to the State of Georgia or any other place to be named to her children, my will is that my lands be sold and money arising from being sold be applied to purchase more land where my wife seems with pleasure and the land so purchased, or the amount of the money for which my land sells, in which I have been, to my son Joseph White at the death of my wife.

Item 3rd I send unto my daughter Peggy White her natural half one thousand dollars in cash to be given at the death of my wife, and the proceeds of the sale of my other property at the death of my wife. I also appoint my son John White Guardian of my said daughter Peggy, empowering him to keep the money hereby named and at discretion during his lifetime and applying such part as he sees fit to my necessity to be comfortable support and other death should I die without Son or children, I give such part as may remain in hand after death, I give to all my heirs to be equally divided among them. I also give unto her one fourth her land and furniture.

Item 4th I give unto my two sons John White and Zachariah White, my three daughters Elizabeth Marsh, Patsy, Mary & Eliza & Catherine all my white and colored money at the death of my wife to be equally divided between them, and my Negro, and the proceeds of the sale of my stock of every description household and kitchen furniture except such part as may be necessary to make up to Peggy the one thousand dollars above mentioned.

My will is that if either of my Negroes should ever desire to be manumitted, and I have no other command by her that such Negro or Negro be sold at the discretion of my Executors and that I have the use of said money during her life time.

Lastly, I nominate, name, appoint my son Joseph White and my daughter Mary Jane Marsh Executors of my last will and testament, the said Executors I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 7th day of October in the year of our Lord 1843. Signed sealed and acknowledged in the presence of
Wm. Marsh
Isaac Goffe

Whereas Zachariah White made my last will and testament in writing bearing date 7th day of October 1843 and having thereby made several devise and bequests according to the existing circumstances of New State but subject to circumstances having since materially changed, My Negro man Jacob having died, and having sold my Negro boy Tom and having by way of gift bearing date the 10th day of April 1843 given to my daughter Peggy a Negro girl by the name of Harriet and her increase during her natural lifetime and having since purchased a Negro girl by the name of Eliza. 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 my will is that all my land on the North of the Big branch and above the Cedar fork which has adjoining Jonathan L. Will and John Flazid be sold at the death of my wife if I should not sell it during my lifetime and be disposed of as directed with the balance of my estate, all the balance of my land I give to my son Joseph White at the death of my wife as trustee for said child. I also give my wife a Negro woman by the name of Eliza and her child Mary during her natural life or until her death and at her death to be disposed of as my other property, I have hereunto given my daughter Peggy a Negro woman by the name

I Henry Sedgwick of the County of Apscon 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 the manner and form following to wit to say

time, at 12 years and seven cents the hour of my son James C. Edlin's steady
in addition to advancements hitherto made, the following my so
slaves to wit: Leonard is three. I also give them one hundred
fifty dollars & fifty cents which is to be paid by Stephen P. Hale
and loaned out at interest until the younger & older becomes
of age, but is there to be equally divided between all of said
James C. Edlin's children thus leaving three shares to have a like

then 2^d I give and devise unto my daughter Martha Lillman wife
of David Lillman in addition to above named to her separate use
the following Negro Slaves to wit Sam^r a, Hannah & Eliza upon
the payment by them of eleven dollars & thirty eight cents to my
Attorney next within from the 16th January 1846.

1876 The first writs for extradition to England were sent to four magistrates having power by a writ of habeas corpus to deliver the same. Some in her possession for her separate use and benefit over and above the control or disposition of her husband, as well as some other property referred to Lard's will bearing date the 1st July 1866.

Then at 11 years and seven months my dear Spence & Walter in addition to
movements here, have made the following progress, to wit:
Ed. Lewis, Henry & their children Walter & Hannah, Pauline, Susan
David & Willie

When S^r Lynde and his wife visited my son Henry W. Sedgwick in Scotland to
advance, visits hitherto made the following persons to visit
Blackburn, George, George Elmy Sedgwick -

I have now devised notes my Sam Charlz's Collection in
 addition to the advancements heretofore made him the total
 of land on which he now resides containing 207 acres adjoining
 of better than of Lockhart & Sam's Parkers and the following
 names to wit: Sly, Wiley & Primas upon the payment by him to Sly &
 Primas of eighty nine dollars & fifty cents with interest from the 16th
 January 1846

time? I give and deliver unto my daughter Mary Smith wife of Thos. Smith
in addition to advance moneys heretofore made the following Negro
slaves to wit Samson, Hercules, Mantha, June, Patience, Henry
Mary—

Ann & Eliza are since with my daughter Anne. Robinson wife of Charles Robinson lately sent in a petition to acknowledge her former marriage having secured by a writ of gift to Wm. L. Elliot & W. Hale the Negroes now in her possession for her separate use and her part free from the control of her husband as will more fully appear by reference to said writ dated 5th July 1816.

Friend - I give you similar note my daughter Elizabeth A. Cole wife of Stephen
 Cole in addition to chance note here made, the following says
 James Jordan, West. Addition, Lyons, Colman, Harriet, Eliza Caroline
 William & Sarah upon the payment by him of nineteen dollars & fifty
 cents to Mrs. Ed. better sister to the children of James Ed. better of one
 hundred & thirty dollars & fifty cents with interest from the 1st May 1846.

Alma 10 I give unto dear's custody daughter Sarah L. Little wife of William
Little Jr in addition to above must have been made the following
Myra claims to and then stock Bureau Station early July 1891
upon the payment of one hundred dollars of debt to Mr. Reddick
✓ I have finished of debt & claim on and the settlement payment of
five dollars to R. L. J. H. Little

June 11 Virginia was a dinner with my dear host, & Edw. better in connection to Anna
Cummings, together made the following negro slaves to wit, Caliver, Ben
Borndes, Winy & White Sandy, Caliver & Betty

From the Virginia Anti-Slavery Society we have John P. Edgell, in relation to
admission to Antislavery Meetings, the Eastmanian Association to visit
Washington, La. Co. Hancock, & Co., Mary Garrison, New-

These 13th I gave one dollar's worth to my dear friends but did better in consideration to other
 one's worth but for me, the last evening my 2 slaves to visit, freely, Miss
 Francis, from London & white Riley, Matthew, Sarah & her child were
 before the payment by the said S. B. did better a gift of 2 slaves to Henry
 B. did better with better S. from the 13th - January 1846.

I have this day solemnly constituted and appointed my Laws & I Lichette & Robert S Lichette my lawful Executors to our testaments and purposes to execute their my last will & testament according to the true intent & meaning of the same and every part & clause thereof hereby revoking & disannulling hereby void all other wills and testaments by me heretofore made In witness whereof I the said Henry Lichette do hereunto set my hand & seal this 14th day of June 1846

Signatures published & declared by the said Whittell
to be his last will and testament in the presence
of us who at his request his true presence &c Henry T. Whittell (L.S.)
Subscribed near &c as witness for aforesaid
W. Smith

A B Smith
W. Smith

I Henry Sedgwick of the County of Green 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 the manner and form following. To wit: I do

him, at 14 years old, and during the tenure of my son James Goodbetter's term in addition to advancements he has for made. The following Negro Slaves to wit: Linsam & Sinner. Valuing in them one hundred & thirty dollars & fifty cents, which is later paid by Stephen Pollock and loaned out at interest until the younger & older becomes of age, but is there to be a real distinction between said parties James Goodbetter's children, their living share & share alike.

There is a fine residence with my daughter Martha Lillman wife
of David Lillman in addition to above named & her own back
the following Negro Slaves to wit Isaac, Emanuel & his wife upon
the payment by them of above dollar & twenty eight cents to my
Administrator out of hand from the 1st January 1861

Item 3 - Upon our arrival into my daughter's room, we found with a blanket
all her left breast her shoulder & sides in such a state that her arms
hands having been by a doctor's gift to Edward & being the same
since in her possession for her separate use and disposed only in the
partial or disposition of her husband, would more more appear
by reference to Lord's date bearing date the 8th July 1841

[illegible]

These 5th & 6th are Swiss suits my son Henry is satisfied in shooting
Advance suits hitherto made the following were shown to wit
Barbours, Perry, George Perry, & others —

I have no doubt that Mr Sam Charlz's Collection in
 relation to the advancements heretofore made him the best
 of hand on which he now resides containing 207 sons of mining.
 It is better than of such kind & San J Parker was the gathering of 20
 sons to wit by City + Son as upon the payment by him to St John
 of about eight or nine dollars of 80 cents with interest from the 6th
 January 1846

thing? I give in dowry unto my daughter Mary Smith wife of Thos. Smith
 in addition to her own assets hitherto made the following Negro
 Slaves to wit Samson, 2, Leedes, one, Martha, Jane, Patience, Henry
 Mary—

Anne & Eliza were twice sent by daughter Anne Robinson wife of Charles
 Robinson fifty cents in addition to advancements heretofore made her
 having secured by a new gift to Miss Eliza & Anne the Negroes now in
 her possession for her separate use and her part from the Central of
 her husband as well more fully appear by reference to said said dated
 5th July 1846.

Given - I give and devise unto my daughter Elizabeth A. Cole wife of J. P.
 Noble in addition to shares unto her be made, the following negro
 Slaves, Jordan, Nat. Addition, Cyrus, Catherine, Harriet, Eliza, Caroline
 William & each upon the payment by him of nineteen dollars & fifty
 cents to Wm. J. A. Little and to the children of James Red better of one
 hundred & thirty dollars & fifty cents with interest from the 1st May 1846

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th inst. in relation to the
 bill of exchange on London for £1000.00. I have the honor to inform you that the bill has been
 duly cashed and the proceeds of £1000.00 have been remitted to your order by the Bank of
 London. I have the honor to enclose herewith a statement of the account showing the
 balance in your favor of £1000.00. I have the honor to remain, Sir, your obedient servant,
 J. A. Sedgwick

June 11 Virginia and I drove into my Sam Holt & Co. letter in relation to the
Cincinnati, Indiana Trade. The following sign names to visit, Colins, Ben
Henderson, Hing & Earl Sandy, Sutter & Kelly

[illegible]

When B¹³ & his wife received notice by Sam. Loomis to sell better in connection to other
and wife and her mother, the following negro slaves to wit: Betsy, Mingo,
Fannie, Sam, Jonathan & white child, Matthew, Sarah & her white child
before the payment by the said S. B. to better a gift of slaves to George
H. Sed better with interest from the 13th January 1846.

I have this solemnly certified and signed my name to it in full view of
 Subscribed my lawful executor to see contents and purport to be written
 this my last will & testament according to the true intent & meaning
 of the same and every part & clause thereof hereby revoking & declaring
 utterly void all other wills and testaments by me heretofore made
 In witness whereof I the said Henry L. Gifford do hereunto set my
 hand & seal this 10th day of June 1846

Signatures published declared by the said Mr. Colburn
to be his last will and testament in the presence
of us who at his request then his former & now
Subscribes were witnesses and certify for authentic
A. B. Smith
W. Smith

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Codicil to Henry Sedbetter's Will

Whereas ^{the} ~~the~~ Sedbetter have made my last will and testament in writing bearing date the 30th April 1846, and have thereby made sundry devises and bequests, according to the then existing circumstances of my estate, but which circumstances have since necessary to alter, I do by this writing, which shall hereby declare to be a codicil to my said will to be taken and construed as a part thereof, will and direct, that my Executors (Messrs Sedbetter & Co. & Sedbetter) may hereafter at public sale or by private contract on such terms as may seem best in their wisdom all the lands or real estate of which I may own or possess at my death, lying in the County of Richmond & Maryland namely known as the Green place and the plantation & bargain of W. Sedbetter & a small colony on each creek -

In the 7th clause of my will I therein gave among other Negroes, to my daughter Mary Smith wife of John Smith certain Negroes by name of Bunder and Simon that then I have thought it best to change the disposition of said Negroes accordingly decided have among to Henry W. Sedbetter.

In the 8th clause of my will I gave in that instrument with other Negroes to Henry W. Sedbetter a certain Negro woman named Blay her child Lucas, since that time I have at the request of W. Sedbetter added her and her child to W. Sedbetter.

In the 9th clause of my will I gave to Calista D. Cole in addition to other Negroes which she had before given to her the husband Stephen H. Cole a certain Negro man named Sarah that he should pay to W. Sedbetter the sum of one hundred & fifty dollars for said Negro according to the proportion of said sum with interest from the 1st May 1846, but as so much as said Cole will not get said Negro in possession until the 1st January next, he is then free release from the payment of any interest until that time - In testimony whereof I have caused to be signed and sealed this 30th day of April 1846.

Signed sealed published & declared by the said

W. Sedbetter as a codicil to part of his last will and testament in the presence of us, also at his request

W. R. Cole

W. R. Cole April Term 1852. Where this will & Codicil was duly proven in open Court - W. Sedbetter

In the name of God Amen. - I James Smith of the County of Susan and State of North Carolina knowing the uncertainty of this life, and that it is appointed unto man once to die; being of sound mind and memory, do make and publish this my last will and testament in manner and form following.

Item 1st I will and devise that my executors bury my body in a Mason's suitable sponsor, and defray the expenses thereof, as well as pay all my just debts out of the first money that shall come into their hands arising from my estate.

Item 2nd I give and devise to my beloved wife Mary all her plantation and tract of land on which I now live including my Mansion house and all the appurtenant buildings, (with the exceptions hereinafter made in favor of my son W. C. Smith and my daughter Ellen Marshall) and also the whole of an adjoining tract of land, which I lately bought of James B. Russell and which was formerly owned by John H. Ingram (for barndorers in the little end of farm - said Russell to myself) and there is consideration of her third and dower to which she is by law entitled. I further give and bequeath to her my said wife all the plantation and farming tools belonging to the first named plantation, my set of Blacksmith tools, Cotton-gin Threshing-saw all my house hold and kitchen furniture of every kind, mules and horses to the number of eight her share, all the Cattle and sheep that may belong to the same plantation, fifty head of hogs, my new four horse wagon & gear, one Cart and axle, harness and harness, and all my stock of geese turkeys & poultry. I further give and bequeath to her my said wife, one thousand dollars in money, and all the stock of provisions that may be on hand at the time of my decease - such as corn bacon wheat flour &c. And I further give and bequeath to her my said wife, two small Negroes by the names of Ellen and Martin, and these are given for the consideration that she will keep and support during their natural life, two old Negroes named Rose & Lucia; and besides these I give to her two Negroes her Chairs -

Item 3rd I give and devise to my Executors hereinafter named all that tract of land belonging to me on which I now live known as the old Truckley Tract, and also I give and bequeath to my said Executors the following Negroes, to wit, - Clarissa and her children, and Jake, now in possession of Leah Kirby, and my daughter Polly Kirby and also Adeline, Louisa and Eliza - all both land and Negroes, subject for the sale and

Separate use and benefit of my said daughter Polly Kirby, and not to be held for the debts or contracts of her husband. The said Saml Kirby, and after her death to be equally divided among her children and if either or any of her children shall die before the time of her death, then the part of such child, if any, shall take the share that would have fallen to the parent; and in case she the said Polly Kirby shall die leaving no issue, then the said land and Negroes with their income shall comprise a part of my estate, and be divided according to the residuary clause of this my will, hereinafter expressed.

Item 4th I give and bequeath to my Executors in trust for the sale and separate use of my daughter Sarah Baggan, all the Negroes that I have advanced to her which she now has in possession (the names not recollecting) under precisely the same limitations and restrictions as set forth in Item 3rd.

Item 5th I give and bequeath to my Executors in trust for the sale and separate use of my daughter Harriet Lebury, all the Negroes which I have advanced to her, and which she now has in possession (the names not recollecting) under precisely the same limitations and restrictions as set forth in Item 3rd.

Item 6th I give and bequeath to my Executors in trust for the sale and separate use of my daughter Eliza Thomas, all the Negroes which I have advanced to her, and which she now has in possession (the names not recollecting) under precisely the same limitations and restrictions as set forth in Item 3rd.

Item 7th I give and bequeath to my Executors in trust for the sale and separate use of my daughter Ellen Macdonald, all the Negroes which I have advanced to her (the names not recollecting) under precisely the same limitations and restrictions as set forth in Item 3rd.

Item 8th I give and bequeath to my Executors in trust for the sale and separate use of my daughter Mary Buchanan, all the Negroes which I have advanced to her, and which she now has in possession (the names not recollecting) under precisely the same limitations and restrictions as set forth in Item 3rd. And I further give to her absolutely a sum of \$1000 which she now has in possession.

Item 9th I give and bequeath to my son Philip B. Smith all the Negroes which I have advanced to him, and which he now has in possession, to him & his heirs forever.

Item 10th I give and bequeath to my son Thomas, J. Smith all the Negroes which I have advanced to him and which he now has in possession to him and his heirs forever.

Item 11th I give and devise to my son William B. Smith a tract of land adjoining the tract on which I live, known as the Sugrum tract, and as much of the tract on which I live, as will, with the said Sugrum tract make him four hundred acres; (this is one of the exceptions spoken of in Item 2nd) and the portion taken off from the said tract on which I live, for said purpose, shall be set off, of the land next to Harrow, and in such a manner as shall be thought advisable by my Executors, and this devise of land to my said son William, is upon condition that he shall not sell, or dispose of the land so devised in the lifetime of his Mother, & after her death and her estate to him & the Negroes which I have advanced to him, and which he now has in possession to him and his heirs forever.

Item 12th It is my will and desire that all the residue of my estate shall be equally divided among my children whose names follow: that is - Philip B. Smith, Thomas J. Smith, W. B. Smith, Sarah Baggan, Harriet Lebury, Eliza Thomas, Ellen Macdonald and Mary Buchanan. And I will and desire that my said Executors make division of the said residue of my estate as follows: that is - that they sell the perishable property for division, and select three prudent men to make division of the Negroes by lot, to be drawn by the hand of a child; for my said children among whom the division is to be made, and the lots that fall to my said daughters - Sarah Baggan, Harriet Lebury, Ellen Macdonald, Eliza Thomas and Mary Buchanan, shall be in the hands of my Executors, for the sale and separate use of them - my last named daughters, under the same limitations and restrictions as set forth in Item 3rd.

Item 13th I do hereby revoke and annul all wills and testaments by me heretofore made, and I do hereby nominate and appoint my sons Philip B. Smith, Thomas J. Smith & W. B. Smith my Executors to execute this my last will and testament, and every part of it according to the true meaning and intent thereof. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this 11th day of October A.D. 1831.

Signed, Sealed, declared and published in presence of us, who have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses by request of the Testator

James Smith (Test)

A. B. In view of the word use was initiated before the signing of this instrument the 12th June was also struck out entirely before signing, by direction of the testator

N. D. Boggs

N. Beverly

State of North Carolina, County of Pleas and Quarter Sessions
June 1852.

Then the last will and testament of James Smith was offered for probate in open Court, and duly proven by the oath of Nathan Beverly and Joseph D. Boggs and the Subscribing Witnesses thereto, and ordered to be recorded. Thereupon Philip S. Smith, Wm. J. Smith, and William C. Smith appeared in open Court and qualified as Executors to the same and obtained letters Testamentary

I Samuel Deal of the County of Anson and State of North Carolina being what in body but of disposing mind and memory do on this the 7th day of February in the year of our Lord 1852. Make this my last will and testament in manner and form as follows.

Item 1st It is my will and desire that all of my just debts be paid out of my estate by my Executors herein after named

2nd I give and bequeath unto my dearly beloved wife Nancy Deal during her natural life so much of my lands and farms, Creek as she may need to make her support in including my dwelling and out houses and one third of the proceeds of my Mills & also give and bequeath unto my wife Nancy during her natural life the following Negroes viz (Jack (viz. Jack) (Pete Jack) Isaac Edmund, Ned, Willies Viny and after her death the above named Negroes to be sold by my Executors herein after named and the money arising from said sale to be equally divided between my daughters Clarissa Myers, Sarah Elgin, Fictus Prosser, and my son William C. Deal and Samuel Deal in Trust for the sole use and benefit of my daughters Rosa Baker and Margaret Carpenter during their natural life and after their death to their Heirs at Law. I also give unto my wife Nancy during her natural life all of my Stock of every kind say horses, mules, cattle, oxen, hogs, sheep, &c. and also my Buggy & harness Smiths tools, carpenters tools, farming tools of every description, all of my house hold and kitchen furniture and after her death to be sold by my Executors herein after named and the money arising from said sale to be equally divided among all of my children. I also give unto my wife Nancy provision for her support for ever year and one hundred dollars in money to be paid by my Executors as soon as he conveniently can out of my estate

3rd I give and bequeath unto my son William C. Deal in addition to what I have already given him the following Negroes, Sam & Jane and all their increase to him and his heirs forever

4th I give and bequeath unto my daughter Clarissa Myers in addition to what I have already given her a Negro woman by the name of Sarah to her and her heirs

5th I give and bequeath unto my sons William C. Deal and Samuel Deal in Trust for the sole use and benefit of my daughter Rosa Baker during her natural life and after her death to her Heirs at Law the following Negroes a Negro woman by the name of Betsey (which Negroes are now in her possession) with all their increase