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Abraham Bowers' Will

In the Name of God Amen
I Abraham Bower of the County of Ashe & State of North
Carolina being of sound mind & memory And Considering the
uncertainty of this frail & transitory life, do therefore make
ordain publish and declare this to be my last Will and
Testament, That is to say, First After all my lawful debts
are paid And discharged the residue of my Estate real
& personal, I give bequeath & dispose of as follows, To wit
To my beloved Wife the room where she lives & one sixth
part of what is made on the plantation the household
& kitchen furniture, Choice of my horses four of my best
milk cows, my home track of land to my son George
Fifty Hundred Dollars And One thousand more
to Hamilton in trust held by said George at my death
all my home plantation at Twenty five hundred
Dollars. To my son David To one slave Called Henry
To Thomas & Elizabeth Calloway To one black woman
Vine & her child To ante after the old lady's death
To Harison & Nelly Baker To slaves Richard Lucy
& her child Hannah, To Neal & Sally Colvard
To slaves Charles & Ame One slave Called
Mitchel to wait on the old Lady her lifetime
and then to the heirs, To Hamilton all my
land in the Cove Two hundred & fifty Dollars.
These slaves all to be valued after my death
at a low cash price by disinterested men
if you cant agree so as to make son John share
& share alike with what they have had
heretofore, Like wise I make constitute and
appoint my said son George and Thomas
Calloway to be Executors of this my last
& Testament hereby revoking all former
wills by me made
In witness whereof I have hereunto

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Subscribed my name and affixed my seal the
Eighth day of September the year of Our Lord
One thousand Eight hundred & fifty Six.

A. Bowers. (in)

The above written instrument was subscribed by the
said A Bowers in our presence and acknowl-
edged by him to each of us

Levi B Miller

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State of North Carolina } Court of Pleas & Quarter
Ashe County } Sessions May Term 1857

The within Will was duly proven
in open Court by the oath of Levi B. Miller one
of the subscribing witnesses to said will and
to be recorded and George Bowers and Thomas
Calloway duly qualified as Executors.

W. Gamble Clerk