

I, Michael F. Haskitt, of the County of Gaston and State of North Carolina, being of sound and disposing mind and memory, do make, publish and declare my last will and testament in the following to wit:

First, after all my just debts are paid I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Tryphena and her heirs, all my personal property, of every description, to her and her heirs, absolutely, forever.

Second. I nominate and appoint my esteemed friends Borden Haskitt and John P. C. Davis, Executors to this my last will and testament.

In testimony whereof I have here signed my name and affixed my seal this 1st day of January 1859

M. F. Haskitt

Signed, published and declared in the presence of

R. W. Chadwick

George Walker

Gaston County Court Feb. Term A.D. 1859

The foregoing paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Michael F. Haskitt deceased, exhibited for probate in open Court, by Borden Haskitt one of the executors therein named, and the due execution thereof, by the said Michael F. Haskitt is proved by the oaths and examination of Robert W. Chadwick and George Walker, the subscribing witnesses thereto. It is therefore considered

the Court, that the said paper writing, and every part thereof, is the last will and testament of the said Michael F. Haskitt deceased, and the same is ordered to be recorded and filed.

And thereupon the said Borden Haskitt Executor as aforesaid, qualifies as such by taking the oaths required by law

Jas. Rumley C. C.

Be it remembered that I, Elijah Weeks, of Gaston County, and State of North Carolina, being weak in body, but of sound and disposing mind and memory, Blesed be Almighty God, for the same, do make and publish this my last will and testament, in manner and form following, that is to say, —

First, — I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife, during her widowhood, or if she never marries, during her life, all my household and kitchen furniture, and at her decease, or in the event of her marrying, to be equally divided among all my children that may be living at the time. I also give unto my beloved wife and children, all my lands and negroes, stock, farming implements, crops and all other property not herein mentioned, to be equally divided among them that are alive, when the youngest child living shall be come of age, i.e. Twenty-one years old. Until then I wish my entire estate to be kept together, as at present, to be hired