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Signed, sealed and published ^{his} and declared by ^{mark} said Elijah H. Hamilton 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.

Wallace H. Styron

Mitchell Hamilton

State of North Carolina } Court of Probate
Currit County } May 31, 1869.

The execution of the foregoing will is proved before me, according to law, by the oath and examination of Wallace H. Styron and Mitchell Hamilton, the subscribing witnesses thereto, who swear that they saw Elijah Hamilton the testator, execute the same as his last will and testament; that they attested it in his presence and at his request; and that at the time of its execution, he was, in their opinion, of sound mind and disposing memory.

Jas. Rumley, Judge of Probate

State of North Carolina } Court of Probate
Currit County } May 31, 1869.

In the Matter of the probate of the last will & testament of Elijah Hamilton dec.

Louey Hamilton widow of Elijah Hamilton dec. makes oath that she is a devisee mentioned in the will of said Elijah Hamilton now offered for probate; that the value of the property left by the testator, Elijah Hamilton, is about five hundred dollars; that the names and residences of the persons entitled to said property, are as follows: Louey Hamilton aforesaid, residing at Hunting Quarter; Charitta Faleher, Rosa Smith, Joseph Styron, William R. Willis & James Higgins Willis, residing in Currit County - the two last named being minors, without Guardians.

Louey ^{her} Hamilton

Shown and subscribed before me.

Jas. Rumley, Judge of Probate

In the name of God, Amen.

I, Elias Lupton of the County of Currit and state of North Carolina, being of sound mind and memory, do make this my last will and testament, utterly revoking all former wills made by me, declaring this to be my last will and testament.

1. I give my body to be buried and my soul to God who good.

2. I give and bequeath unto Elias S. Lupton, my youngest son all of my houses and land on Hog Island, my wife life estate excepted, also one half of my land on the Whaler's Camps; also one half of my land on Cedar Island.

3. I give and bequeath to my son Allen Lupton one half of my land on the Whaler's Camps, and also one half of my land on Cedar Island.

4. I leave all of my property, consisting of stock of cattle and hogs and sheep. Boats and canoes and all of my working tools, to be sold and the money arising from the same together with all my note if any. I give to each of my daughters, viz. Bessie, Alice, Mary, Fiddie, Annie Lupton, and Abner Lupton fifty dollars each.

5. I give and bequeath unto my wife Rhessa Lupton all of my ready money, together with all of my household and kitchen furniture.

6. I leave all of my land in Beaufort County N.C. to be sold, and out of the moneys arising from the same I give and bequeath unto my son William Lupton forty dollars.

7. I give and bequeath unto my son Wilson Lupton five dollars.

8. I give and bequeath unto the heirs of my son Clifford Lupton five dollars.

9. I give and bequeath unto my son Joseph Lupton five dollars.

Lastly, after all my just debts are paid, the whole residue of my estate I give and bequeath unto my wife Rhessa Lupton during her natural life time, and then to be equally divided among my children.

I do hereby constitute and appoint my trusty friends
Wilson Lupton and Allen Lupton joint executors to
this my last will and testament, this the 1st day of
June A.D. 1857

Signed, sealed in presence of us } Silas Lupton
Warren Day }
B. J. Pollard }

I also give my wife Rhesa Lupton privilege of
getting light wood of my land on Cedar Island
for the use of my house and land on Hog Island
during her natural life time

B. J. Pollard.

Silas Lupton

State of North Carolina } Court of Probate
Carteret County } August 6th. 1869.

The execution of the foregoing will is proved before
me, according to law, by the oaths and examination
of Warren Day and B. J. Pollard, the subscribing wit-
nesses hereto, who swear that they saw the testator, Silas
Lupton, execute the same as his last will and testament
that they attested it in his presence, and at his request,
and that, at the time of its execution, he was, in their
opinion, of sound mind and disposing memory.

Jas. Rumley, Judge of Probate.

The book of 'Orders and Decrees', Page 31.

State of North Carolina } Court of Probate
Carteret County } Aug. 6th. 1869.

In the matter of the probate of the last will
and testament of Silas Lupton deceased.

Mrs. Rhesa Lupton appears for probate a paper
purporting to be the last will and testament
of Silas Lupton deceased, and makes oath
that she is interested in said will as devisee
that the value of the testator's property, as near as
can be ascertained (that is to say such as
the will now operates upon, excluding such
as was sold by the testator after the execution

of the will) is about seven hundred dollars, and said
property consists of land, cattle, hogs, sheep, working
tools and household and kitchen furniture and money,
and that the names and residences of the parties em-
bellished to the testator's property are as follows:

Rhesa Lupton, widow of the testator, residence on
Hog Island in Carteret County;

Silas S. Lupton, son of the testator, residence on
Hog Island in Carteret County;

Allen Lupton, son of the testator, residence on
Hog Island in Carteret County;

Wilson Lupton and Joseph Lupton, sons of the
testator, residence in Carteret County;

Mary Jane Styron, Eliza Lupton, William Henry Lupton
and Benjamin Franklin Lupton, heirs of Clifford Lupton,
deceased, residing in Carteret County; and

William Rice, Nancy Villikin, Annice Lupton and
Abner Styron, daughters of the testator, residence
in Carteret County.

Rhesa Lupton

Sworn and subscribed before me.

Jas. Rumley, Judge of Probate.

State of N.C., Carteret County.

Know all men by these presents, that I the
said Levi Bell, of the County and state aforesaid,
being in sound mind, do hereby make my will
of my property to be disposed of after I am dead.
I nominate and appoint William A. Scott of the
County and state aforesaid, my true and lawful
agent and attorney in fact for me, and in my name,
and for my use and benefit, to ask, demand, sue
for, recover and receive of and from every and all
persons indebted to me in any manner or form what-
ever all such sum or sums of money or specific articles
as are now in any wise due or may hereafter become