

Plato S. Reitzel and Hermann Heilmann heirs George C. Morse, Ursula Mc Baker Lucinda C. Ditz, Sylvia S. Lee, Lydia S. C. Ditz, Jane C. Fry, Margaret J. Reitzel and Charles C. Reitzel.

Firstly - In case my beloved wife Susan should marry my will is that the real estate willed to her be equally divided between her and all the children either by dividing the land or by selling it and dividing as they may think best and personal to be sold of which she is also to have a child's part.

And in case she does marry my will is that after her death the real estate willed to her be equally divided among all my children by a division of the land or by selling it and dividing the proceeds thereof, as they may think best and the personal estate to be sold and equally divided among all of them.

And lastly - I do hereby constitute and appoint my son Anderson A. Reitzel to be my lawful executor to all intents and purposes, to execute this last will and Testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same.

In witness whereof I the said Christian S. Reitzel do hereunto set my hand seal this 27th day of December A. D. 1869

Signed sealed and declared by the said C. S. Reitzel to be his last will and Testament in the presence of us

Test - C. Hedrick

Peter Little

Christian S. Reitzel

State of North Carolina } In the Probate Court
Catawba County

The foregoing paper writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of Christian S. Reitzel deceased is exhibited before me the undersigned judge of Probate for said County by A. A. Reitzel the executor therein named and the due execution thereof by the said Christian S. Reitzel proved by the oath and examination of C. Hedrick and Peter Little witnesses thereto who being duly sworn doth depose and say and each for himself depose and saith that he is a subscribing witness thereto and that Christian S. Reitzel in the presence of the deponents subscribed his name at the end of said paper writing which is now shown as aforesaid and which bears date 27th Dec. 1869 and further that Christian S. Reitzel at the time of writing the same declared said paper writing to be his last will and Testament and that said Christian S. Reitzel at the time of so subscribing his name thereto was of sound mind and memory of full age to execute a will and was not under any restraint to the knowledge of these deponents, further deponents say not - Adjudged as duly admitted to probate and ordered to be recorded Nov. 4 1870
H. A. Reitzel duly qualified as executor.

Miller C. Sherrill

Barbary Eckhard
"dec."

Frederick Smith
"Execr"
appointed
19th Dec 1870

The last Will and Testament of Barbary Eckhard
Application for Letters Testamentary
Catawba County: - In the Probate Court

In the matter of the Will of } Before Miles C. Sherrill
Barbary Eckhard } Judge of Probate.

Frederick Smith being sworn doth say: That Barbary Eckhard late of said County, is dead, having first made and published her last Will & Testament; and that, Frederick Smith is the Executor named therein. Further, that the property of the said Barbary Eckhard, consisting of Real & com and Land (real estate) is worth about \$900.00 so far as can be ascertained at the date of this application; and that Fanny Eckhard is the party entitled under said Will to the said property.

Sworn to and subscribed before me
this 17th day of Dec, 1870

Miles C. Sherrill
Probate Judge.

In the name of God Amen.

I Barbary Eckhard wife of William Eckhard "dec." of the county of Catawba and state of North Carolina being in my right mind and memory Blessed be God do this 3rd day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy make this my last will and Testament in manner & form as follows - First I give and bequeath my soul to God who gave it and my body to be buried. As to my worldly concerns it is my will that the land whereon I had been living known as the mill Creek Land of which I fell heir from my Father's Estate and never has been transferred to any person, I will & bequeath to my grand daughter child of my son Daniel Eckhard for her to have and hold. Now on condition the said Fanny Eckhard daughter of Daniel Eckhard should not live to be twenty-one years or have no heirs then it is my will that the said Land shall be sold by my herein named executor by his own discretion.

and the money be equally divided among my legal heirs. It is my will that Frederick Smith be my Executor of this my last will and Testament. It is my will that the said Smith rents the land after my death at his own discretion either private or publick as he chooses until the said Nancy Eckard becomes of age. Whereunto I set my hand and affix my seal in presence of

Eli Sugman
Noah Jount
Noah J. Rowe

her
Barbara Eckard
mark

State of North Carolina } In the Probate Court
Catawba County } Dec 12 1870

The foregoing paper writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of Barbara Eckard "dec" duly proved by the oath and examination of Noah Jount and N. J. Rowe subscribing witnesses thereto who declare that they signed their said paper writing that they done it at the request of said Barbara Eckard, and she declared the same to be her last will & Testament and that she was of sound mind & memory of full age and capable of making a will so far as they knew. Said will is admitted to Probate and recorded and letters Testamentary issued to H. Smith
Miles O. Sherrill
Judge of Probate

Miles Goodson
"dec"

Jacob Goodson
Executor
admitted to
probate Dec 30 1870

The last Will and Testament of Miles Goodson
Application for letters Testamentary.
Catawba County: - In the Probate Court

In the matter of the Will of Before Miles O. Sherrill
Miles Goodson } Judge of Probate

Jacob Goodson being sworn doth say: That Miles Goodson, late of said County, is dead, having first made & published his last will and Testament and that he, Jacob Goodson is the executor named therein.

Further, that the property of the said Miles Goodson consisting of land stock household and kitchen furniture &c, &c, is worth about \$1200.00 so far as can be ascertained at the date of this application; and that the widow Violet Malinda, Monroe Goodson, John S. Goodson, Malinda Aburnathy are the parties entitled under said will to said property.

Jacob Goodson.

Sworn to and subscribed before me,
this 30 day of Dec, 1870.

Miles O. Sherrill
Judge of Probate.

In the name of God Amen.

I Miles Goodson of the County of Catawba and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory but considering the uncertainty of my of my health existence do make and declare this my last will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say First that my executor herein after named shall provide for my body a decent burial suitable to wish of my family and relations and pay all funeral expenses together with my just debts whomsoever and I am owing out of the moneys that may first come into his hands as a part or parcel of my estate. I give and devise to my widow Violet Malinda Goodson all my estate every way to have and hold for herself and my heirs which is Malinda Aburnathy