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"I, Daniel Whisenhunt of the County of Catawba and State of North Carolina, Being of a sound mind and memory but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence do make and declare this my last will and Testament first that my Executors shall provide for my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of the relations and friends and pay all funeral expenses together with my just debts however and to whomsoever owing out of the moneys that first come into their hands as a part or parcel of my estate

First of all I give unto my beloved wife Susan Whisenhunt everything belonging to me during her life then after her death the lands is to be divided as follows Beginning on Solomon Edwards corner and along with the turnpike road to a Post Oak then nearly South west to Ephraim Henry Rinkers rock corner all of that line I give unto my great grand daughter Susan Catharine Whisenhunt, further Whisenhunts daughter and her bodily heirs and if she dies without bodily heirs half of it is to go to John M. Whisenhunt and the other half to be divided equal amongst her brothers & sisters

Then last of my line I give unto Luther Whisenhunt and his lawful heirs & John M. Whisenhunt & Jane C. Whisenhunt & Jones M. Whisenhunt equal and if my wife dies intestate the property she has on hand is to be sold and equally divided between Luther W. Whisenhunt, John M. Whisenhunt & Jane C. Whisenhunt & Jones M. Whisenhunt and John M. Whisenhunt to have fifty dollars in money over and above the rest I do hereby appoint J. Whitner and John M. Whisenhunt my lawful Executors to execute this my last will and Testament in witness whereof I the said Daniel Whisenhunt do hereunto set my hand & seal this the 14th of April 1879

Signed sealed published declared by the said Daniel Whisenhunt his last Will & Testament in the presence of us who at his request and in his presence do subscribe our names witness
Thos. John Holler
J. Whitner
M. W. Whisenhunt.

Record of Andrew Gilbert Will 1887

Andrew Gilbert
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"In the name of God Amen, I Andrew Gilbert of the County of Catawba & State of North Carolina being of sound mind & memory, and considering the uncertainty of this frail and transitory life do therefore make, & hereby publish and declare, this to be my last Will & Testament that is to say, first after all my lawful debts are paid & discharged, the residue of my estate real & personal, I give, bequeath, & dispose of, as follows to wit.

1st To my beloved wife the tract of land on which I now live lying in the County & State aforesaid as long as she lives or during her widowhood & at her death to be divided as herein after mentioned.

2nd My will is that my son Phillip V. Gilbert, at my death is to have the use of the above named tract of land, provided he will give my wife Rachael Gilbert a decent support & also my daughter Mary E. Gilbert is to have her support off of the above named tract of land as long as she remains single & at the death of my wife Rachael Gilbert, my son Phillip V. Gilbert, is to have the west end of the above named tract of land designated by a straight line running from Maxwell Haffmans corner & Jacob Wilsons in the State road, to Joseph Post rock corner near the fence (provided he takes care of my wife Rachael, and daughter M. E. Gilbert as above stated.

3rd My will is that my son Jacob H. Gilbert & daughter Mary E. Gilbert, at the death of my wife Rachael is to have the other ~~half~~ part of said tract of land or the east end of said tract share & share alike.

4th My will is that my daughter Mary E. Gilbert is to have one parrel or boy Colt which I now own & the increase if any and also one milk cow by the name of Brindle and one keeper named Black and also their increase & she is to have two good beds & all the bedding she makes during the time I live.

5th My will is that all my personal property at my death shall be sold & lawful debts paid out of the proceeds & the balance if any divided among my children share and share alike.