

January September 1864

157 I Eli Eckard of the County of Catawba & State of N.C.  
being of sound mind & memory having consider the uncertainty  
of my earthly existence do make & declare this my last will  
& testament in manner & form following that is say my  
land is to be divided between all my children subject to the  
widows dower this division to take place after my son Prodney  
be comes Seventy one years of age it is my will that my wife  
Sarah is to furnish each one of my children as they become of  
to give them so much of my property as she may think proper  
so as to make them equal in value it is my will that all the  
flocks & fowles be sold & the proceeds of the sale be divided  
between my self & my children if the Sheriff is to have  
one half of the proceeds of the sale of the above mentioned  
flocks & fowles I will & bequeath to my wife Sarah all my  
 negroes during her life time also all my house hold kitchen  
furniture & all my horses & bogs & Stock of all kind and  
& all farming tools & all the Crop that may be on hand at my  
death. It is my will that my wife Sarah shall furnish my  
son William with a horse suitable for a Cavalry horse if he  
joins the Army I also will to my wife Sarah one waggon  
& Peering an buggy & harness & my Blacksmith tools  
in Wilkes whereof I the said Eli Eckard do bequeath set  
my hand & seal this the 14<sup>th</sup> day of November A.D. 1863  
I nominate and appoint W. Estabrook to this my last  
will and testament as executor  
Attest J. S. Bennett  
" H. Helmberger

Eli Eckard (seal)

(will)

Noah Sigmund (seal)

+ March 21<sup>st</sup> 1863

My will is if I never return back home no more  
for my wife and children to keep all the property and  
land and every thing else together if there is money enough  
to pay the debts

July September 1864

158 In the name of God I Amzi A. Hawn of the County  
of Catawba and State of North Carolina having been called from  
my hand & family by extraordinary circumstances and being  
of a sound & perfect and discerning mind and knowing the uncertain  
ty of life and the certainty of death do make this my will &  
Testament in the following manner.  
First I do will to my wife Mary M. Hawn all my property  
of every description and direct that she may do with it as she  
may deem best.  
Secondly I do will to my wife Mary M. Hawn the use of my  
existing house and other buildings.  
Thirdly I do will that my wife shall have my portion of  
Land after the proper time and period when it shall  
fall due to me or to her the same during her natural life  
& in widowhood after that period to fall to my daughter Anna  
Isabella Hawn.  
Fourthly I do will to my Daughter all money whatsoever  
in Sales outstanding or otherwise  
And Lastly I do appoint my wife to be my lawful executor  
in writing whereunto I Amzi A. Hawn have set my hand  
and seal this 28<sup>th</sup> day of August in the year of our Lord  
one thousand eight hundred & forty two.

Amzi A. Hawn (seal)

Signed sealed and  
Delivered in the presence of  
R. S. Sutherland  
John Waller  
Paul Waller