

July Session 1865

In the name of God Amen. I Elizabeth Clay of the County of
Catawba and State of North Carolina being of sound mind & memory
and considering the uncertainty of this frail and transitory life
do therefore make, ordain, publish & declare this to be my last
will and testament that is to say

My dear Brother Wm Clay with whom I now live keeps
supper, maintenance during my natural life & do bequeath
unto him all my property which I now have in his house to wit
an Chest of Drawers & one Chest of Drawers with
all their clothing and Acol & one wheel one wash pot one Cook
pot two canisters and one pair - Saddle & Bridle and other things
not named. Also three notes of hand payable to me
are an \$100 Wilson for two hundred & forty six dollars &
principal, dated June 13th 1857 and an \$100 Wells for
fourteen dollars dated April 11th 1857 and an \$100 Sigmund
for five dollars dated May 18th 1857 with full power to collect
the same for his own use after he shall have paid all my
Doctor Bills that may be against me at my death (if any there be)
Whereunto I set my hand & seal this the 12th day of August 1865

Elizabeth Clay (seal)

The above written instrument was subscribed
by the said Elizabeth Clay in our presence and
acknowledged by her to each of us; and she at the
same time published & declared the above
instrument to be her last will &
testament; and we at the testator's request and
in her presence have signed our names as witnesses
hereto

J. D. Hermon
James Garrett

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State of North Carolina Catawba County.
In the name of God Amen

I Barnet Clin of the County & State aforesaid being of
perfect mind and memory but knowing the uncertainty of
life and having in a few days to leave to join the Confederate
army. I therefore make publish and declare this my last
will and testament in manner & form following.

First My Will and desire is that my beloved wife Rhoda M. Clin
after my death shall have all of my property both Real and
Personal to have and to take the same as if I was living
but in case she marry again then & in that case said property
shall at once go to my two Children but in case she shall
remain a widow she shall have and take said property
during her natural life and at her death to my two Children
Elizabeth & Amanda & Clin to be equally divided

I further will that my said wife pay my just debts if any
In testimony whereof I have written and set my hand and seal this
30th day of Sept 1865

Witness
Geo. S. Lee
James Garrett

Barnet Clin (seal)
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