

a will, and was not under any restraint to the knowledge, information or belief of this deponent, and further these deponents say not. Severally sworn and subscribed, this

19th day of April before me

P. H. High C. S. C.

Samuel Keene Seal
A. Miller Seal

Last Will & Testament of J. Caldwell.

State of North Carolina
Catawba County

Aug. 29th 1888.

J. J. Caldwell being of sound mind & memory do make this my last will & testament.

1st I want all my just debts paid

2nd I want to run a line commencing or beginning on my North line James Crow & Abernethys corner, on my line running due South or nearly so as to strike the Denver road, then with said road until you get to Edmond Caldwell's line. Now, all the lands on the west side of this line I think will be about 125 acres I want sold either public or private as my Executor may think best he may cut it in to lots if he can do better in the sale of the land, now after selling this land & paying my debts I want my Executor to recover all my buildings & garden & yard fence, then the balance of the money equally divided among all of my children except Edmond I want him to have ten Dollars and no more as he has already got more than his share. Now all the balance of my land I give to my wife Mary J. Caldwell during her lifetime, and all my stock farming tools household and kitchen furniture, and at her death I want it equally divided between all my children except Edmond not to have any part. Now I do not want my Executor to allow any settlements on the plantation by the

heir or any one else on the plantation. No timber to be cut or destroyed for the use of the plantation. Now I appoint J. F. Conner my Executor giving him all power over my estate to rent & manage as he may think best for my wife & children.

Attest of J. H. Maxwell
W. W. Mott

J. Caldwell.

State of North Carolina, In the Sup. Court.
Catawba County

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of J. Caldwell, deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned, J. A. Hyatt, Clerk of the Superior Court in and for said County, by J. F. Conner, the Executor therein named, and the due execution thereof by the said J. Caldwell is proven by the oath of examination of J. H. Maxwell and W. W. Mott, the subscribing witnesses thereto, who being duly sworn, both depose and say and each for himself that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown him, purporting to be the last will and testament of J. Caldwell. That the said J. Caldwell in the presence of this deponent subscribed his name at the end of said paper writing, which is now shown as aforesaid, and which bears date on the 29th day of August, 1888. And the deponent further saith, that the said J. Caldwell the testator aforesaid, did at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid, declare the said paper writing so subscribed by him, and exhibited, to be his last will and testament, and this deponent did thereupon subscribe his name at the end of said will, as an attesting witness thereto, and at the request, and in the presence of the said testator. And this deponent further saith, that at the said time when the said testator subscribed his name to the said last will as aforesaid, and at the time of the deponent's

subscribing his name as an attesting
 Witness thereto, as aforesaid, the said J.
 Caldwell was of sound mind and memory,
 of full age to execute will, and was not
 under any restraint the knowledge of information
 or belief of this defendant, and further these
 affiants say not.
 Sworn and subscribed, } W. H. Russell Seal
 this 2 day of May before me } O. N. Murr
 P. W. Rogers C. C.

See Record of Appointment of E. W. on
 Book of orders and Decrees Vol. (2 Page 519)

Will of Joseph McKnight.

In the name of God, Amen: I, Joseph McKnight
 of the county of Rowan and State of N. Car-
 olina being sound mind and memory, but
 calling to mind the uncertainty of human life
 do therefore, ordain and declare this to be my last
 will and Testament that is to say That after
 all my just debts are paid and my fun-
 eral expenses paid the residue of my es-
 tate real and personal I give and dispose
 of in the manner following 1st give off to
 my Grand daughter Loula Shaden when ever she
 arrives at the age of twenty-one years fifty
 acres of land off the west end of my
 home plantation a Bed and Bureau if
 she dies before she comes to the age of twenty-
 one years as aforesaid the above will be prop-
 erty is to go to my daughter Josephine Mc-
 Knight together with all the rest of my lands
 lots and premises both in Rowan and
 Catawba Counties and the balance of other
 personal ^{property} to said daughter Josephine her heirs
 and assigns forever.
 Joe McKnight Seal

Signed sealed and delivered by said Joseph
 McKnight to be his last will and
 Testament in presence of us who
 at his request in his presence and
 in presence of each other as subscribers
 our names as witnesses

Thos Boston
 Wiley Leyerle

North Carolina } Superior Court
 Catawba County } Jan 30 1889

The execution of the foregoing paper writing
 purporting to be the last will and Testament of
 Joe McKnight, is proven to the satisfaction of the
 undersigned Clerk of Superior Court by the
 oaths of J. V. Fisher who upon oath says he is
 acquainted with the hand writing of the
 said Joe McKnight and that the said paper
 writing is executed by the genuine hand