

of the death of either of them; then the one who survives shall have & continue to hold in full possession all & said real estate during his or her natural life. In the event however, either of them should marry, and have children born unto them in wedlock and die previous to the other - then it is my will that the said real estate, be held and used jointly by the one who is then living and the children of the deceased one.

Item V.

It is also my will that after the death of both of my beloved children, Rudolph H. and Eva S. Hartge, as soon as convenient, the whole of my lands named, and referred to in this my last will & Testament - be sold at public auction, and that after paying my just debts including necessary funeral expenses, and for the erection of neat and substantial headstones to mark the burial place of each of them, whatever amount may remain of the proceeds of such sale, be equally divided between my beloved daughter Yelena Campbell, if living, and each of all my grand children, or great grand children who may be living at the time.

Item VI.

I hereby nominate and appoint my beloved son Rudolph H. Hartge and my beloved daughter Eva S. Hartge, Executors to execute this my last will and Testament, having full confidence in their capacity and honesty.

Signed, sealed and fully executed on the day and date first above written.

In the presence of J. John Canyon (Seal)
Lee Hoover

North Carolina } Probate Court
Catawba County } Dec 17 1853.

The within paper writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of John Hartge deceased, is admitted to probate this day on the oath and examination of David Maynard and Lee Hoover who make oath and say each for himself, that he signed this paper writing in the presence of the testator and in the presence of each other, and that at the time this instrument was executed, the testator was of sound mind and memory. R. H. People C. J.

Franklin Beattie's Will.

State of North Carolina }
Catawba County }

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I Franklin Beattie of the County and State aforesaid, being of sound mind and memory, but considering the uncertainty of any earthly existence to make and declare this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say:

First - That my Executors (herein after named) shall provide for my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my relatives and friends, and pay all funeral expenses, together with my just debts however and to whomsoever owing out of the monies that may first come into their hands as a part or parcel of my estate -

Item - I give and devise to my beloved wife Martha S. Beattie all of my property both personal and real except what is herein after mentioned for her use and behoof during her life time - or in case of insanity my executors shall provide for her with said property.

Item, I give and devise to my eldest daughter Rebecca and my son Jonas after the death of my wife twelve acres of my home tract of land including residence, barn and out building; The Ten Acre and one acre of land and all Tools belonging to the same I give to Jonas exclusively -

Item - I give to my daughter Elizabeth Linbarger, at my death, one note of One Hundred Dollars against North Linbarger.

Item also at my death I give to my daughter Martha Ann Soften ninety dollars \$90.00 in cash.

Item - I give and bequeath to my Son

Jonas, after the demise of my wife, all that tract or parcel of land known as the John Payne plantation -
 Item - after my wife's death I desire that all the remaining part of my lands shall be equally divided among my four children, Rebecca Beattie, Elizabeth Timbarger, Martha Ann Loftin and Jonas Beattie.

Said land must be divided and not sold. Item, I desire also my death that all my notes, accounts and judgments shall be equally divided among my four children and wife Martha J. Beattie.

Item - I also desire that my best wagon and best buggy shall be left for my wife during her life and she can do as she pleases with my live stock or any other undivided property -

And lastly I do hereby constitute my sons Jonas and John Loftin my lawful executors to all intents and purposes to execute this my last Will and Testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same, and every part and clause thereof, hereby revoking and declaring utterly void all other Wills and Testaments by me heretofore made.

In witness whereof I the said Franklin Beattie do hereunto set my hand and seal this 18th day of April A.D. 1883 -
 Franklin Beattie

Signed sealed published and declared by the said Franklin Beattie to be his last will and Testament, in the presence of us Who at his request and in his presence do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto,

C. S. Rozzelle.
 J. V. Shirrell.

John Williams Will

State of North Carolina
 County of Catawba

I John Williams of the County of Catawba & State of North Carolina being of sound disposing mind & memory but feeling the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death, do hereby make, publish & declare this my last will & Testament in manner & form following, to wit: to say:

Item I I will & devise to my wife Martha Williams & my sons Jesse W. Williams & Avery J. Williams my tract of land known as the homestead plantation, on which I now live contain ing about (132) one hundred & thirty-two acres in said County of Catawba & adjoining lands of Wm. W. Cashin Kate Brown & others to have & to hold said lands to my said wife & two sons as tenants in common in fee simple, subject to the support during her life & until at her death of the said woman named Suerelia whom I formerly owned.

Item II I will & devise to my daughter Harriet Williams & my grand son Asbury & Turbyfield my tract of land known as the Gilbert place in said County of Catawba containing (110) one hundred & ten acres adjoining the lands of A. A. Brown, John Whitmer, Maria Whitmer, Noah Lottz & others to have & to hold said lands to my said daughter & grand son as tenants in common in fee simple -

Item 3 I will & bequeath to my daughter Cynthia Rudisille the sum of Four Hundred (\$400.00) Dollars absolutely the same to be subject to & reduced by the amount of any & all payments or advancements in money or property that I have made or here after may make to my said Cynthia -

Item 4 I will & bequeath to my grand daughter