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I, H. C. Hamilton do make and constitute this my last will & Testament

First I will and direct that my just debts and Funeral expenses be paid.

I wish and desire that my Executor keep in his hands some funds for my wife Susan S. Hamilton's comfort that she can draw on when she has use for it. She cannot live by herself when I am gone and therefore I think it best to sell the house and lot together with all the furniture household and kitchen at public or private sale as may be thought best or divided as my children may prefer.

I will and direct that my five children share equally of the little estate I have taking into account advances made them heretofore on account of which can be found in an old book I used in the store at Senoir and is marked on the outside Ledger H. I have advanced as follows to Mary or her husband J. L. Harle \$692.50 to Fannie or H. C. Dixon \$392.52 to Emma or John O'Roussouan \$475.21 to Bettie or W. H. Sprunt \$100.00 to Charles \$529.12 (I have charged Charles Board \$6 when he was receiving good wages none when not employed) No interest is to be charged on these advances, to Charley I give my old gold Jo. Johnson watch valuable as a relic I hold a policy paid up in the Attra life of \$48.00 and other of \$100.00 in the same Co. these are for the benefit of my wife and children, these sums I expect to be used together with any other money to bring up any of my children who have received less to those who have received most if there is funds to do that or otherwise prorata.

I hereby constitute and appoint my son in law H. C. Dixon Executor of this my last will and he is further authorized to sell and make Title to any & all property herein devised real or personal, and I do not want him to give security as such Executor.

Witness my hand and seal this 6th day of June 1895
Signed in our presence and H. C. Hamilton *[Signature]*
in the presence of the
Testator and at his request
and in the presence of each
other the day and date above

Philo C. Hall
H. M. Doll

State of North Carolina, } ss. In the Superior Court.
Catawba County.

A paper purporting to be the last Will and Testament of H. C. Hamilton deceased is exhibited before me the undersigned, Clerk of the Superior Court for said County, by H. C. Dixon, the executor therein mentioned, and the due execution thereof by the said H. C. Hamilton by the oath and examination of P. C. Hall and H. M. Doll the subscribing witnesses thereto; who being duly sworn, doth depose and say, and each for himself deposeth and saith, that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown him, purporting to be the last Will and Testament of H. C. Hamilton that the said H. C. Hamilton 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 of the 6th day of June, 1895.

And the deponent further saith, That the said H. C. Hamilton 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 therupon subscribe his name at the end of said Will, as an attesting witness thereto and at the request and in the presence of 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 H. C. Hamilton was of sound mind and memory, of full age to execute a Will, and was not under any restraint, to the knowledge, information or belief of this deponent; And further this deponent say not.

Solemnly sworn and subscribed, this } Philo C. Hall
22nd day of July, 1899, before me. } H. M. Doll
S. H. Phillips
Clerk Superior Court.

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It is therefore considered and adjudged by the Court that the said paper writing and every part thereof is the last Will and Testament of H. C. Hamilton, deceased. Let the said Will, together with the probate, be recorded and filed.

This 22nd day of July, 1899.

S. H. Phillips
Clerk Superior Court.