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State of North Carolina Catawba County
To the Justices of the County Court of Catawba County
We being willing to what is right in the premises in
this case of Elisha Huffman & others, Proprietors of the
Will of Martin Kellar, against Michael Huffman & others,
you are hereby commanded to read the will of the
said Martin Kellar and the accompanying premises and
proceed thereon according to law.

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto placed
my hand and seal this 16th day of Oct 1857, at office the
7th Monday after 4th Monday in August, 1857, and in
52 year of our Independance

Wmmy Cline C.R.

108 In the name of God Amen, I James Reed of the
County of Catawba and the State of North Carolina being
old and afflicted and expecting to soon depart this life, but
sound in mind blessed be God, do make this my last will
and Testament.

1st I will my soul to God who gave it, hoping for a dayfull
resurrection at the great day of Judgment.
2nd I will that my body shall be buried in a decent and
Christian manner. 3rd I will and bequeath that all my
just debts shall be paid. 4th The remainder of my worldly
estate, both real and personal I will and bequeath to my
Law Children named as follows Polly ~~Stettin~~ Martha Robinson
Elizabeth Bradburn and William St Reed, 5th My real
estate I allow my Executors to sell at private or public sale
which ever may a majority of the legates may agree and
my Executors to make deeds to the purchasers or purchasers,
and my whole estate to be equally divided between my
four children above named including every species of
property money or any thing else after all is sold by my
Executors with the exception of my old negro pack
which I allow to go to any place she chooses provided
they will take her or if she shall become a charge and
person will not take care of her it in my will that a
sum of money not exceeding sixty dollars shall be
retained by my executor for said negro comfort if
needed, if she should die and the sum not
expended that to be paid over to my four children

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or their heirs ~~or~~ appoint Elisha Sherrill my whole executor
of this my last will and Testament to execute this my last
will and Testament, making all former wills made
by me and acknowledge this to be my last will in witness
whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 16th Oct
- maly 1849.

In the presence of
W. W. Munday
Thomas Beath
Alexander McCarroll

James Reed Seal
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109 In the name of God Amen, I Samuel Abernathy of the
State of North Carolina and County of Catawba being sound
in mind and memory and knowing I have much to die
I now dispose of my worldly estate in the following manner.
1 I give and bequeath to my wife Nancy Abernathy one third
of the tract of land I now live on believing to contain about three
hundred and thirty eight acres her natural life. I also give her
my wife Nancy one negro man Wesley and one negro woman named
Eliza and one negro boy named Robert Augustus, and one
negro boy named Lanny, her natural life. I also leave her
one brown horse one small mare, and five head of cattle
her choice and my stock of hags, as many as she needs
and my stock of sheep as many as she needs also I leave
her one hundred dollars in money and all my house
hold and kitchen furniture including white Cords iron
baptismal black with all wooden vessels I also leave her
my farming utensils of every description haggon gearing
wood mill ploughs hoes axes her natural life with two
feather beds and furniture.

2nd I give to my daughter Lizer Robinson five hundred
dollars in money including one hundred and sixty
dollar she has received. three hundred and forty
behinds I also leave her one negro woman named
Elizabeth and her son Alexander and one negro boy named
Ephraim and one bed and furniture.

3rd I leave to my daughter Susa Cornelius wife of John Cornelius
Ten dollars.

4th I leave to my son John S. Abernathy the two thirds of my
land which I have not willed to my wife Nancy and
her third at her death I also leave my ploughs hoes axes