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Be it known unto all men by these presents that I Wm S Deal of the County of Catawba & State of N.C. do bequeath to Lily & Deal my beloved wife & basom friend my house & Land together with all my other property and effects what & wheresoever they may be to have and to hold the same during her natural life after which, all the property shall either be sold and the proceeds equally divided among my three children to wit Catharine Elizabeth, Sarah and Porter, or otherwise equally divided as they may then or at that time deem best except she be married to another man, in that case it is my request that she retain no more of my property than one bed one cow spinning wheel & cards one set of knives and forks one set of tea cups & saucers one set of plates one clock pot one pan & lid & one deep Sticks provided the above named articles be found on hand & if not on hand they can be furnished and the balance of the property either be sold and equally divided amongst my three children above named or otherwise equally divided among them as they may deem proper at the time.

Furthermore it is my desire that my beloved wife Lily & Execute this my last will & testament

It is moreover my desire that all lawful claims against me be first settled up and the remainder then to be disposed of as above directed.

Whereunto I have set my hand & affixed my seal this the 8th day of Oct A.D. 1863

in the presence of
Wm S. Deal
John A. Hooker

Wm S. Deal (seal)

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In the name of God, Amen, I Jacob Heffner of the County of Catawba and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory and considering the uncertainty of this frail and transitory life do therefore make ordain publish and declare this to be my last Will and Testament: that is to say First after my lawful debts are paid and discharged the residue of my estate real and personal I give bequeath and dispose of as follows to wit

I give and devise after my decease to my daughter Linna Heffner & my grand daughter Sally Fox for the favours & care they have and will bestow on my self and wife during the remainder of our lives all and every part of my tract of land where I am living and also every part or partake of property that may then belong to my estate.

I do nominate and appoint my said daughter Linna Heffner & my grand daughter Sally Fox to be the sole executors of this my last will & testament.

In testimony whereof I have set my hand and seal

Test Christian B. Rector

Jacob Little Jun

Jacob Heffner (seal)

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I Make this my last will & testament as follows to wit I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Rebecca all my estate both Real & Personal so long as she may live & after her death to be equally divided amongst all my children, & lastly I appoint Moses M. Hunt my executor to all intents & purposes to pay all just debts out of any property that my beloved wife can spare but

Witness my hand & seal this June 20th 1863

M. C. Abernathy
David Barringer

John R. Rabb (seal)