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15 In the name of God Amen I George C. Hilderman of the County of Lincoln and State of North Carolina being weak in Body but of sound and perfect mind and memory Refer be God at this twelfth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty two make and publish this my last will and testament in manner following that is to say. I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Susanna one chest and one bedstead and all her own Red clove one tub and floy wheel and one cow & two Barrow and one Camphor Bottle and one small round Bottle one small Pot and one side saddle which side after her death is to fall to my daughter Mary I give to my son Jacob the Smith tools and a small Stear And to my son Andrew I give his Paddle and Rifle gun and shot gun and one huffer his horse & two Sheep and which sheep and then increase is to stay on the plantation so long as my wife lives and the applehill and one white bottle And to my son Valentine I give one huffer & two Sheep and to my son David I give one mare & cow and calf and one huffer and one Stear two year old & two Sheep and to my daughter Mary I give one ^{bedstead} ~~bedstead~~ and furniture one chest one set of cups and saucers & one set of plates and one cow one sow & one ewe ~~sheep~~ ^{sheep} and a bottle

The plantation I now live on Andrew & David is to have all the use of so long as my wife lives and have all they can make there on for which they are to maintain my wife so long as she lives and my daughter Mary is to stay on the place and work as usual and be maintained off of it and my son Valentine is to have privilege to live on the place where Jacob formerly lived and make what he can on the saw and if he chooses to have he makes in it and the clock & cupboard and all the shelf furniture & cupboard in the kitchen and all the furniture and all the pots and other things belonging to the place and the table and cloth and two stags and karnaps and all the chairs and all the waterpail and washing tub one large jug one churn one ston jar all the crocks and what baskets is on the place and the half bushels and the waggon and all the horse gear and all the tools and all the plows and one horse & still and all the vessels belonging to it and all the log cabin and one grind stone all the last named property is to stay on the place

and my sons Andrew & David is to have the use of it so long as my wife lives and after her deceased the land & all the last named property is to be equally divided among all my children And all the provisions such as wheat corn & fodder and oats hay & floy & also the cotton and wool and bread they that is now

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on the place is to go to the use of the place The windmill I give to my sons Andrew and David each an equal share the wheat now growing and the meat and land now on hand and what cotton is on hand is to go to the use of the place And the balance of the hogs I give to my sons Andrew & David each an equal share I appoint my sons Valentine and David my lawful executors In witness whereof I the said George C. Hilderman have here unto set my hand and seal the year and date above written Signed sealed published and declared by the said George C. Hilderman & attested in presence of us

Eliza Sanders
Jesse Wingate

George ^{mate} Hilderman

In the name of God Amen

I John Sizer of the County of Catawba & State of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence do make and declare this my last will & testament in manner as follows following that is to say

First that my executors hereafter named shall provide for my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my relations and friends & pay all funeral expenses together with my just debts howsoever and to whomsoever owing out of the money that may first come into their hands as a part or parcel of my estate

Then I give and devise to my beloved wife Mary Sizer the plantation I now live on not otherwise disposed of in my will to have & to hold to her the said Mary Sizer for and during the term of her natural life in satisfaction for and in love of her thirds and dower of and in all my real estate Then I give and devise to my son Henry Sizer all that tract of land whereon he now lives to have & to hold to him and his heirs in fee simple for ever joining Lands of David Wicks and others commencing on David Wicks line at rock at the ford of the branch thence up the lane to the head of the lane thence a N. W. course to McHoffy line thence with the old line round to the beginning it being a part of the old tract on the west side of said tract it being the full part of his daughter's share - Then I give and devise to all my daughters that tract of land lying in Lenoir County on the waters of Rock creek to be equally divided between all my daughters Sally Carpenter excepted her proportionable share to go to her heirs of said land

Then I give and devise to my two sons George & John Sizer all that tract of land on which I now live Except the life estate of my wife

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in a former item except the part I have given to my son Henry
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 Maryland tract and all that part of said known as the best tract
 to be equally divided between my two sons George & John & the
 above named land after the death of my wife to be valued by
 three good men and if said men value said land higher than
 one thousand dollars, the surplus to be equally divided among all
 my daughters except Sally Carpenter in proportionable share of said
 surplus to go to her heirs

Now I give and bequeath to my said beloved wife all the crop stock
 and provisions now on hand together with the milk stills and vessels
 wagon household and kitchen furniture and farming utensils it is
 further my will that my said wife after my death pay all necessary
 charges and debts it is further my will that my said wife have the
 negro woman named Diny and a negro boy named Eliza and a
 boy named Joshua to have and to hold during her natural life all
 the above named property after the death of my wife it is my will
 that my hereafter named Executor shall sell said property and the money
 arising from said property to be equally divided between all my
 daughters Sally Carpenter excepted her proportionable share of said
 property to go to said Sally's heirs it is further my will that my wife
 do to furnish my five youngest daughters equal with those that are
 married or in case my wife should die my will is that my Executor
 furnish them out of the proceeds of said property to the amount of
 forty dollars each and lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint
 my two sons Henry Setzer and George Setzer my lawful Executor
 to all intents and purposes to execute this my last will & testament
 according to the true intent & meaning of the same every part and
 clause thereof hereby avowing and declaring utterly void
 all other wills and testaments by me heretofore made
 in writing whereof I the said John Setzer do hereunto set my hand and
 seal this 30th September AD 1844

Signed sealed published and declared
 the said John Setzer to be his last
 will & testament in the presence of us
 who at his request and in his presence
 do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto

Mr E. McHaffey
 William Brown
 David Rauh

John Setzer

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In the name of God Amen

I Matthew McKeade of the County of Lincoln & State of Missouri
 in a being of perfect sound mind and memory blessed be god
 for the same do make & publish this my last will & testament
 in manner & form as follows

1st It is my will and desire that my negroes be valued and divided
 in even shares and not to be sold I give & bequeath to Charles Peck
 one seventh part. I give and bequeath to Betty Salina Little wife
 of George Little one seventh part
 I give and bequeath to Sarah McSherrill wife of Theophilus Sherrill
 one seventh part I give and bequeath to Eliza B Sherrill wife of
 Eliza Sherrill one seventh part I give and bequeath to Rebecca
 Milligan daughter of Gilbert Milligan one seventh part
 I give and bequeath to Martha S. Milligan daughter of Gilbert Milligan
 one seventh part I give and bequeath to Gilbert A. Milligan
 one seventh part These parts is the parts of my negroes
 My land and stock of all kinds House hold and kitchen furniture
 and farming tools and all my corn wheat & oats and fodder
 to be sold at public sale and all my just debts to be paid
 out of the proceeds of the sale after my just debts and funeral
 expenses is paid if there is any left from the proceeds of the property
 that is to be sold I will that Caroline Coffin daughter of Thomas
 Coffin and Franklin Coffin and Salina Coffin children of Thomas
 and Louisa Coffin get fifty dollars each I give & bequeath to
 Jane Rebecca Robinson Grand daughter of Gilbert and Rebecca Milligan
 fifty dollars out of the proceeds of the property to be sold if any
 left afterwards, from the proceeds of the sale to be equally divided among
 Divides in writing hereunto I have I have hereunto set
 hand & seal this 7th of April 1838

Signed sealed and acknowledged in the presence of us

Matthias Milligan
 Jas. H. McKeade Jr.

Matthew McKeade

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in aforesaid item except the part I have given to my son Henry
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 to all intents and purposes to execute this my last will & Testament
 according to the true intent & meaning of the same every part and
 clause thereof hereby avowing and declaring utterly void
 all other wills and Testaments by me heretofore made
 in writing whereof I the said John Stiles do hereunto set my hand and
 seal this 30th September AD 1844

Signed sealed published and declared
 by the said John Stiles to be his last
 will & Testament in the presence of us
 who at his request and in his presence
 do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto
 attest
 Mr E. McHaffey
 William Brown
 David Ranch

John Stiles

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 Dividends in writing hereunto I have I have hereunto set my
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Signed sealed and acknowledged in the presence of us
 Last Gilbert Milligan
 Jas. W. McKee J.P.

Matthew McKeade