

October Session 1863

State of North Carolina Catawba County

In the name of God, Amen. I Logan Smyer of said County & State expecting in a very short time to leave the Army and knowing the uncertainty of life and at all times the certainty of death at the at this time in perfect health and mind do make this my last Will and Testament in manner & form following

First My Will and desire is that any property that my wife H. L. Smyer may think proper to have sold or can conveniently spare & if any debt owing to be paid out of any money belonging to my estate & the remainder of my property I will and bequeath unto my beloved wife H. L. Smyer all real & personal estate stock crops provisions & everything else belonging to me in any way.

I further will and it is my desire that at the death of my wife H. L. Smyer my real estate and every other thing whatever shall be sold by my executor and equally divided between my children unless my said wife shall survive marry then it is my will that she draw from my estate an child's part and my executor is forthwith to sell the remainder of my estate real and mixed & the children's part to be put in the hands of guardians according to law.

Lastly I constitute and appoint Logan Smyer executor to execute this my last will and testament according to the true intent and meaning. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand April 1st 1863

Test M. H. Hart

John. Noble

L. L. Smyer

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

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

Item. I give and bequeath to my son Andrew Campbell all of my horse except one half of a barrow which half of said horse I give and bequeath to my son Wesley Campbell and the balance of my estate I wish to be divided equally amongst all my children.

Lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint Solomon Shrum 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 & clause thereof hereby revoking and declaring utterly void all other wills & testaments by me heretofore made in testimony whereof I the said John Campbell do hereunto set my hand & seal this 9th day of October 1863

Signed sealed and declared by the said John Campbell to be his last will and testament in presence of

W. H. Ramsaur
& J. Ramsaur

John Campbell