

October Session 1853

In the name of God Amen
 My Will is that my wife Elizabeth shall have during
 her life all my land all the provisions on hand all the
 living Crops except a third of the Cotton and the middle
 Bottom Corn my Wagon and gear, and Buggy & harness all
 the House Hold and kitchen furniture and all the stock of every
 kind on hand then to come in and receive a third part of the
 Balance of my Property. The Cotton and Corn except the belonging
 to Daniel for his Vermilion Mark,

The balance of all my Property I will shall be divided
 equally between my Children those having, never Property
 by way of advancement to account for the same

My grand son Alexander McCorkle shall have five hundred
 Dollars if he lives to the age of twenty one years to be made
 out of the Property left to my wife after her death. By this
 Will, I revoke all others by me heretofore made, This 8
 day of September 1853

Test Henry McCorkle

Test Elizabeth McCorkle

James H. McCorkle

As I my entire before signing this will of apparent
 An Executor I appoint my son Matthew H. McCorkle
 Executor of this Will my last Will and Testament the above
 date

James H. McCorkle

I Barbara Dellinger living in the State of North Carolina Catawba County
 make my last Will and Testament, I bequeath and Will unto William Delmon
 and my daughter Elizabeth all my Beds and Bed Steads and Wheels and
 hats and all my clothing and all my furniture for tending to me
 in time of my sickness and will that she pay all the Expenses
 in time of my sickness and will all my plank that is at
 Jacob's point to my daughter Elizabeth by man in witness
 thereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 30
 day of August 1853. Signed sealed Delivered & Barbara
 Dellinger in the presence of us

Witness Michael Link

Ephraim Wicks

Barbara Dellinger

Test

January Session 1854

In the name of God Amen
 I Peter Keller son of the County of Catawba and State
 of North Carolina being of sound mind but weak of body
 do make and publish this my last will and testament
 in manner and form as follows
 That is to say I will and bequeath unto each of my
 Brothers and Sisters one hundred Dollars; I will and
 bequeath unto Elias Keifner one hundred Dollars,
 I will and bequeath unto my executor here in after appointed
 my Negro Boy Mitchel and old Negro woman Susanah
 for them to take all lawful ways & means to sue them
 in account of their faithful and meritorious service
 rendered to me; I also will unto my said Executors one
 half of my Prop on hand to be applied to the use of the
 Negroes above named and also half of the wheat now going
 I also will and bequeath one half of all the stock on hand
 to my said Executors to be applied to the use of my said
 Negroes above named

I will and bequeath that my Negro Boy Alex and John
 Mitchel shall be sold but they shall have the liberty
 of choosing their master as my other Negroes had
 I will and bequeath that my Executors shall sell my
 Land to the highest bidder at public sale and also
 the other half of my stock shall be sold by my
 Executors; I will and bequeath that my Executors
 shall pay all my just debts first All the Balance
 of my Property of every kind what ever. I will
 and bequeath that my Executors shall sell the horses at
 public sale to the highest bidder not herefore sold
 I will and bequeath that my Executors shall give
 all my Negroes a good suit of clothes I will that
 my Executors shall divide the balance of all my
 money after paying the legacies above mentioned
 equally between my Brothers and Sisters that may
 be on hand after the sale of the property above
 named and paying the debt and cost of the
 execution of this my will; In testamentary witness
 I appoint M. S. McCorkle and Thomas Cloninger
 the Executors of this my last will and testament
 all attus by me heretofore made; In testamentary witness
 hereunto placed my hand and seal this 21st day of
 1853 Test J. A. Plimford
 David Bowman