14 In the name of God Amen I David Whitener of the state of North Carolina & County of Catawba being weak in body but of a sound perfect mind & memory do make & publish this my last will & Testament in and form following that is to say

First I give & bequeath unto my beloved wife Amy Whitener my House and kitchen & all furniture therein during her life and after decease to be divided between my daughter Blandina Dellinger and Maria Hoyle & Michael Whitener also all my live stock to be divided my wife Amy and Blandina Maria & Michael; all my land & Plantation with all the buildings thereon I give and bequeath unto the above named Michael Whitener all my Wheels & Stands and my Wind Mill; or farm all due by note or book accounts I also give unto my son Michael Whitener I will my big wash pot and all right and privilege of the Spring to Amy my wife

I will my big english Bible to my grandson Charles Monroe Whitener all my Books to be divided between my grand sons namely Michael's Sons I do hereby appoint the above named Michael Whitener my Sole executor of this my last will & Testament in witness I have hereunto set my hand & seal this thirty first day of March 1864

Signed sealed published & declared by the above named David Whitener to be his last will & testament in the presence of us who have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses in the presence of the testator

David P Whitener (Seal)

Daniel Leonard
Robert Helton
William H Helton

The Original Will of David P. Whitener was sent up to the Supreme Court - and is on file there in Off papers June Term 1872.

July Session 1864

The last Will - Testament of Thompson Brown of the State of N.C. and in the County of Catawba I Thompson Brown considering the uncertainty of this mortal life & being of sound mind mind & memory do make and publish this my last Will & Testament in manner & form following that is to say

First I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Mary A Brown and my two sons Henry Coldman & Edward Bruce Brown all of my property that I now hold in my possession namely one Cupboard or Safe and its contents and three bed and bedding & one bureau and contents & one Rifle gun & Shotpouch and one horse & one horse Wagon & one buggy and all my Cooking utensils belonging to Kitchen affairs & five head of hogs & one heifer Calf that has formerly been with is at this time at Mr Absalom Hales and three or more head of sheep & one set of Blacksmith tools consisting of bellows and Anvil & Vice one sledge an two hand hammers horse shoeing tools and all other tools belonging to them and all my farming tools Axes &c and one Chist & Contents and one trunk & Eight Chairs and two tables and one small water table & one grind stone & one scythe & Cradle and one dutch mowing Scythe & 4 augers handsaw & Drawing knife &c. and also all my interest of expects belonging to the estate of Joseph Brown Deceased and of all other property that may be & still remains my property belonging to my beloved wife & Two sons all other property of Personal estate goods & Chattels of what kind & nature soever they may be now all the above named articles of goods & Chattels, I will & bequeath to my beloved wife to be hers as long as She lives & at her Death these said articles of goods and Chattels shall be sold and equally divided between my two sons Henry Coldman Brown & Edward Bruce Brown an time and space of Six Month now all this shal be executed if I Thompson Brown shou happen dead to return from the army or behead of no more also I will & bequeath to my wife and Two sons one tract & lot on the Balls Creek Campground now all the above named articles goods and Chattels is to belong to my wife Mary A Brown to be hers as long as She lives & then it shall be sold & equally divided between the above named two sons in the time & space of six months Thompson Brown the above instrument consisting one sheet or Two sheets was now here subscribed by I Brown the testator in the presence of each of us and was at the same time declared by him to be his las will & Testament and we at his request sign our names hereto as attesting witnesses and I Thompson Brown do have Mr Isaac A Sherrill to be the executor of this above instrument of writing this being 31st day of March in the year of our Lord 1862

H A Hale } resident in Catawba Co
P C Hale } " " " Co

Thompson Brown (Seal)