

Will of Ephraim Rinck

North Carolina, Catawba County.

I, Ephraim Rinck of the aforesaid County and State being of sound mind but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence do make and declare this my last will and testament.

First My Executor herein after named shall give my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my friends and relatives and pay all Funeral expenses together with all my just debts out of the first moneys which may come into his hands belonging to my estate.

Second I give and bequeath to my son Christian R. Rinck his heirs Charley C. Rinck, Juchas Rinck, Robert Rinck and Laura Bowman to each of them of them Five dollars in cash apiece.

Third I give and bequeath to my daughter Polly Calvine Rinck all my household and kitchen furniture and the remainder of my money what I leave during my natural lifetime after her death to go to my daughter Anne E. Statius and her heirs.

Fourth I hereby constitute and appoint my trusty friend S. E. Killian my lawful executor to all intents and purposes to execute this my last will and Testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same and every part and clause thereof hereby revoking and declaring utterly void all other Wills and Testaments by me heretofore made.

In Witness whereof I the said Ephraim Rinck do hereunto set my hand and seal.

This 9 day of October 1896.

Ephraim Rinck *(Seal)*

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the said Ephraim Rinck to be his last will and Testament in the presence of us who at his request and in his presence do subscribe our names as witness thereto.

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A. L. Grouse  
D. L. Russell

Will of W. A. Smyer (Col.)

I, W. A. Smyer of the County of Catawba and State of North Carolina being in feeble health of body but sound and of good mind Praise be God for the same do make my last will and testament in manner and form following:

I bequeath and give unto my beloved wife Elizabeth after my death all the land and property that I have during her natural life. After my wife's death after her death my land personal property and all that he here that is in my wife's possession after expences is paid to be equally divided between my children. Robert, Mary Jane, Harriette, Sally, Alfred, Mat, Laura, Alice and Linnie But I bequeath to my son Alfred a certain piece or tract of land where his house is standing beginning at the south west corner of the shop thence up the road to the public road thence down the road to Milton Abernethy's corner thence with his line to Rowe thence with his line to Detters thence with his line to the public road thence with the road to Macus Propst corner thence with his line to a apple tree taking in the barn thence to the beginning.

This piece of land I give and bequeath to my son Alfred from the balance of land for taking care of me and his mother during our natural lives after our death then Alfred is to come in as one of the other heirs.

In witness whereof I the W. A. Smyer set my hand and seal this 15 day of February 1900

*W. A. Smyer Seal*

Signed and delivered and published by the above named W. A. Smyer as and for his last will and testament in the presence of us who at his request and in his presence have subscribed our names as witnesses thereto

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J. A. Eppes  
Manuel Wilson } Witnesses  
E. O. Setzer