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I Samuel S Jackson Sn of the county of
Chatham & State of North Carolina do make
publish and declare the following to be
my last will and Testament

1st After the payment of my just debts
I give and bequeath to my wife Elizabeth R
Jackson as many of my negroes as she may
think proper to select as necessary to her
decent maintenance during the term of her
natural life or widowhood and after her death
or marriage to be divided equally among all
my children

2nd I give and bequeath to my wife all my
locks of all sorts household & kitchen furni-
ture carriage and horses all my books farming
and shop tools for the same term & upon the
same conditions as above mentioned

3rd I give and devise to my wife the tract of
land on which I now live during the term
of her natural life or widowhood and after
her death or marriage to be equally divided
among all my children

4th Chatham County Registers Office this
2nd of March 1853 The marriage settlement
between Charles Hamlin and Mary Martin
Registers and of which I am the trustee
for Mary Martin Reference is had to this
contract for the greater decency and that my
executors may the better know the powers
and privileges with which she is invested as
my executrix for the benefit of the now
Mary Hamlin

5th It may become necessary for my execu-
trix herein after named to sell my slaves
and or so much of the same as shall be
necessary to pay my just debts in that
event I do hereby invest her with the power
to dispose of such land or so much thereof
as shall be necessary

6th In the division of the property between my children Joseph I and Isaac shall account for the negro or negroes given them by my and also my daughter Mary shall account for the negroes to whom I made her first husband Dr Martin a right after she was married

7th Also I give my son Samuel S Jackson for one hundred & fifty dollars in money and also I give him five hundred dollars to be accounted for as an advancement of the estate 8th If in any future division of my estate my daughter Mary Hamlin should get any larger amount of property than she now has as an advancement, it is my will that it shall be vested for her use & benefit in the trustee hereinafter to be named and no part of which shall go as property into the possession of her husband Charles Hamlin It being my intention to give him no part of my estate whatever, 9th And I also give to S. S. Jackson a small tract & parcel of land not exceeding twenty acres the value of which shall be ascertained & settled by himself and his mother to whom the value shall be paid not as to an executrix, and shall be located by them both

Lastly I do nominate appoint my wife Elizabeth R Jackson executrix of this my last will and Testament

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 23rd 1856

Samuel S Jackson
John A Banks }
W A Nash }

May Term 1857

The execution of foregoing last will and Testament was then duly proved in open court by the oaths of John A Banks & W A Nash the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be Recorded

When upon Elizabeth R Jackson the Executrix there named was duly qualified as such

Done at York 23rd May 1857