

Last Will and
Testament
of Levi C. Wade

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I Levi C Wade of the State of North Carolina and County of Cumberland being of perfect mind and memory do make this my last will and testament in manner and form following - that is to say - I wish my estate - real personal and perishable to be kept together during the minority of all my children, to be used for the mutual benefit of my family and for the education of my children - except as hereafter provided

1st I give and bequeath to my wife Christian during her widow-hood and no longer and to my children John Lewis Julia Catharine, Nell Galespie, Narcissus, Flora Eliza, Laura Ann, and Hector, the tract of land on which I reside and my plantation known as the Dry Land - all my stock, horses, mules, cows, sheep and hogs - all my provisions, grain and forage - all farming implements, wagons, carts &c and black-smiths and all other tools - household and kitchen furniture - books, guns and personal apparel - all money, notes and credits belonging to my estate

2nd I will and ordain that all of my estate (except as hereafter provided), be divided between my wife Christian, if she continues to be a widow, and each of my children, named in the first section of my will, in equal shares when my youngest child shall become of lawful age

3rd I direct my Executor, hereafter named, to make a deed conveying a good and sufficient title to Marshall L Wade for the tract of land on which he now resides

known as a part of the Mc Duffie land or steam-mill tract containing about eighty (80) acres for which the said Marshal J Wade has paid me in full - My Executor to have the land surveyed and to make the deed at his earliest convenience,

2th I also direct my Executor to make a deed conveying a good and sufficient title to John C Bryant for fifty (50) acres of land - being also a part of the aforesaid Mc Duffie tract and described in a bond made by me to the said John C Bryant dated November the twenty seventh A one thousand eight hundred and fifty eight. My Executor to have the land surveyed and make a deed at his earliest convenience,

3th I give and bequeath to my son John Lewis a certain tract of land lying and being in the State of North Carolina and County of Cumberland recently sold by Neill McDugald Adm^r of Alex Mc Alister, a part of a tract of one hundred and eight acres bid off by David McNeill and deed by the said McDugald to the said McNeill February the twenty fourth A one thousand eight hundred and fifty nine - and joins the land of D Mc Donald, J C Williams, A Mc Donisto, the heirs of Joseph Lee, the heirs of Robt Williams and Young J Berming containing forty eight (48) acres and purchased by me from Lewis A Page. I direct my Executor to make to the said John Lewis a good and sufficient deed for the above described forty eight (48) acres of land at his earliest convenience

6th I will and direct my Executor to pay all of my just debts and expenses out of the proceeds of my estate and with the advice of my friends Neill McDugald and John Williams to sell upas a credit of six months such portion of my personal and perishable property as they may think not necessary for the use of my family.

7th I ordain and appoint my friends and neighbor Alexander R Smith, Executor to this my last will and testament

In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and affix my seal, this the twenty third day of November A one thousand eight hundred and sixty three

Signed sealed
and delivered in
the presence of
J. M. H. H. H.

Neill McDugald

State of North Carolina } Court of Pleas & Ancients Sessions
Cumberland County }
December Term A D 1863

Then was the due Execution of the Last will and testament of Levi C. Wade duly proved in open Court by the oath and examination of Neill McDugald one of the subscribing witnesses thereto. Let it be registered.

J. S. Harden
Clerk