

State of North Carolina

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Gaston County, In the name of God

Amen I Ephraim Lawrence of The State and County  
aforesaid being of Sound Mind publish this my  
Last will and Testament which is as follows —  
first I Bequeath my Soul to God who gave it & my  
Body to the dust whence it was taken —  
Second after my funeral Expenses and all just debts are  
paid I Give and Bequeath all my Personal & Real Estate  
to my Beloved Wife during her Natural Life or Widowhood  
and at her death or Marriage to be Equally divided among  
my dear children (namely) Ferrusa Phissilla William Marcus  
Garrison Boatworth Eliza Eusebius Sarah & Clementine —  
Third I constitute and appoint Mr Brothman Law Garrison  
Wilson & my Beloved Wife Mary Lawrence my Executors  
of this my Last will & Testament In Witness whereof  
I herewith set my hand & Seal this 5th day of January  
in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight hundred  
and fifty Signed Sealed and Acknowledged  
in the presence of  
J. O. Daniel  
John H. Lawrence  
his  
Ephraim Lawrence  
mark