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In the name of God Amen. I Lee A. Moore of
the County of Gaston and State of North Carolina being
weak of body but of sound and disposing mind and
memory being duly impressed with the uncertainty of
life and the certainty of death do make publish and
ordain this as my last will and Testament in the
words following to wit

I direct that in case I die I be buried in Goshum
Grave yard in a decent manner and a plain
marble Head stone to be erected over my grave.
Article 2nd I allow all my just debts to be
paid out of the assets of my Estate

3rd I will and bequeath unto my dearly beloved Martha
C. Moore a certain Negro man named Ben a certain
Negro woman named Sarah together with whatever
amount of House hold and Kitchen furniture she
may see proper to keep and likewise to have any or
all the stock on the place she may see necessary to retain
for the support of the family this property she is to have
for her lifetime and at her death to be equally divided
among my children William Henry Moore & Maria
Elizabeth Moore

Article 3rd I will and bequeath unto my well beloved

for her lifetime and at her death to be equally divided
among my children William Henry Maria

Elizabeth Moore

Article 3rd I will and bequeath unto my well beloved
son William Henry Moore a certain Negro girl named
Addeline and a certain Boy named Roy also my gold
watch and his small pony called Sam which I purchased
for him together with all the keepsakes which I have
already given him and my Rifle Gun

Article fourth I will and bequeath unto my well beloved
daughter Mariah Elizabeth Moore a certain Negro

girl named Jane and a certain girl named
Sarah Ann also one bed & furniture and one half
of the house hold furniture which may be here when
she attains the age of eighteen the other half to go
to my son William Henry when he attains the age of
twenty one. - my wife retaining what she may need

Article Fifth It is my will and intention that the in cases
of the negroes Addeline left to William Henry and Jane
and Sarah left to Mariah Elizabeth which they may have
up to the time when each attains the age of twenty one be

Equally divided between the said W^m Henry & Mariah
Elizabeth

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Article 6th, out of the Estate due by my Mother I
am entitled to an Interest in thirteen negroes I have
had a negro named Lige - Given by Mother together with
her ~~four~~⁴ Children Caroline, Annest, Cephas & Mary Elizabeth
and although these five negroes could not be valued
for more at the present time than twenty Eight hundred
dollars when the value of the other eight negroes would
be at least five thousand dollars still I am willing
if the estate is so disposed to except of Lige and her
Children as my portion of said negroes and if the other
heirs are not willing to assent to this proposition I wish
my Executors to obtain my due share of said property
according to law

Article 7th I will and bequeath the said Negroes
Lige, Caroline, Annest, Cephas and Mary Elizabeth with
their increase be equally divided ~~between~~ my two Children
William Henry Moore & Maria Elizabeth Moore by the time
they may then attain the age of twenty one years
Article 8th I allow ~~my~~^{my} interest in the land on
which my Mother now resides to be sold together with
my medical library all my tools and instruments
and the piano and all my flock of cattle horses
hens and all my grain on hand this I will

and the piano and all my flock of cattle horses
brules and all my grain on hand this fall
Article 9th It is my intention hereby Expressly that in
case either of my children dies without heirs of their
Body that the property heretofore given to them go
to the other and if they both die without heirs of their
Body go to and be equally divided between my sisters
Elizabeth N Lites children John M Lite Ephraim Scott Lite
Mary Francis Lite and Robert Elizabeth Lite

Article 10th It is my intention that my children receive
a good education to be paid for out of the profits of
all the negroes left to them

Article 11th If it is a question I wish the plantation on
which I now reside to be bought and given to my son
William Henry Moore and the family are to reside
thereon

Article 12 I nominate and appoint my friend Col Richard
Rankin and Amos Morris to be the executors of this my
last will and Testament and Guardians of my two children
William Henry Moore & Maria Elizabeth Moore in witness

whereof I do hereunto set my hand and seal this the 19th day of
September A D 1867

Lee J Moore

J Schuchter
J G Budwill

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Then This ~~Last~~ will and Testament of Lieut. A. Moore was Exhibited unto open Court and proved in due form of law by the oath of J. Schuchert and the witnesses therein ordered to be recorded
Attest Augst Ford C. C. C.

In The name of God I, ~~James~~ William Henderson of Buttsville Arkansas being now ~~last~~ but of sound mind do make this my last will and Testament as follows To wit
Item 1st

After payment of Just debts and payment of Expenses of administration I will and bequeath all my estate of whatsoever kind to my brothers and brethren-in-law to wit James H. Henderson Augustus Henderson John Henderson Robert Henderson William Davenport Robert Leimply A. A. Moore and Adam M. Martin To be divided amongst them equally share and share alike
Then Ist And whereas said Knisman above named or some of them are now indebted to me in various sums for Taxes paid for my lands now I do hereby release all claims which I may