I, Mary Whitesides of the County of Gaston & State of N.C. being of sound mind & memory, but Considering the uncertainty of my Earthly existence do make, and declare this my last Will & Testament in the manner and form as follows, That is to say; First—That my Executor hereinafter named shall provide for my body a decent burials, suited to the wishes of my friends & relations, & pay all my funeral Expences, together with all my just debts howsoever & to whomsoever owing, out of the first money that may come into his hands as a part and parcel of my Estate. Item I give & devise to my beloved Nephew James F. Whitesides all my interest, title and in the land I now live on, and all my part of the Stock & other property which belongs to me in any-wise, both House-hold & Kitchen furniture, & all other things to me belonging, or any wise appertaining; all my money. (Except Twenty dollars (20.00) which I will & devise in an other Item,) Some Three or Five Hundred dollars which I allow my Executor to collect for the above named James F. Whitesides, & to carefully manage it until he becomes to the age of Twenty-one years old, and if he should die without heirs, to John, and

part of the Stock & other property which belongs to me in any-wise, both House-hold & Kitchen furniture, & all other things to me belonging, or any wise appertaining; all my money. (Except Twenty dollars ($20.00) which I will & devise in an other Item,) Some Three or Five Hundred dollars which I allow my Executor to collect for the above named James F. Whitesides, & to carefully manage it until he becomes to the age of Twenty-one years old, and if he should die without heirs, to John, and Edward Whitesides, and their heirs for ever. The above named Children are sons of Edward Whitesides. Items I devise to Edward Whitesides, Isabella Carson, Ann Carson, and Margt Whitesides, five dollars to Each in cash, and to be paid them by my Executor 12 months after my death. And lastly I do hereby, Constitute & appoint Edward Whitesides, my trusty friend, my Executor, to this my last Will and Testament; This the 16. day of October 1854.

Mary for + Whitesides (Seal.)
mark.

Signed sealed acknowledged &
delivered in the Presence of
us, as subscribing witnesses
hereto. W. C. Adams.
Samuel J. Service. ——— (over next page.)

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A paper writing purporting to be the last Will & Testament of Mary Whitesides decd. bearing date of Oct 16, 1854. is this day Exhibited before said Court here for Probate by Edward Whitesides the Executor therein named, and the due Execution thereof by the said Mary Whitesides is duly proven by the oath & examination of Samuel T. Sarrice, one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, together by the oath & examination of said S.T. Sarrice as touching the Genuineness of the signature of W.E. Adams, the other subscribing witness thereto. Whereupon it is considered by the Court here that said paper writing, and every part thereof, is the last Will and Testament of said deceased Mary Whitesides, and the same is ordered to be recorded and filed; and thereupon the said Edward Whitesides, the Executor therein named duly qualified as such Executor, by taking the oath required by law, and took ~~the~~ Letters Testamentary thereto.

E.H. Wittes. Probate Judge.

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