and erasures are made previous to signing
Signed & sealed in presence of

Saml Cooper Benjamin Stephen Cutlebridge seal

Martha J Skiles

State of North Carolina
Martin County Court July Term 1848

Then the within paper writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of Stephen Cutlebridge was Exhibited in open court by Stephen W Cutlebridge the Executor therein named and the due Execution and publication thereof according to Law as the last will & Testament of the said Stephen Cutlebridge was proved by Saml Cooper Benjamin one of the subscribing witnesses thereto & it is ordered that the same be Recorded Stephen W. Cutlebridge the Executor therein named qualified thereto according to Law

L. Johnson Clk

State of North Carolina } In the name of God Amen
Martin County } I Amos Johnson of the state and County aforesaid being weak in body but of sound and disposing mind blessed be God for the same do hereby ordain this as my last will and Testament in manner and form as follows (viz) Item 1st I lend unto my beloved wife Esther Johnson all of the land I am now possessed of of which I have a right and title to during her natural life Item 2nd Also I lend unto my beloved wife Esther Johnson all of my Crop, Stock, viz Horses Cattle hogs Bees &c so far as contain all of the Crop and the Stock also all of my household and Kitchen furniture and plantation utensils all of which may be on hand at my death (viz) of Stock Crop provision plantation utensils &c indeed including all of my whole Estate except what may herein in another Item be disposed of beneath this Item 3rd I give and bequeath unto unto my four children now living with me viz, William R Johnson Joshua Johnson Joel Johnson and Lucretia A. A. E. Johnson one Bed and furniture and stead apiece or to each one after the death of their beloved mother my wife provid I do not give them to them

before my death but if they do receive the beds before my death then they are not to have one after my wifes death. Item 4 After the death of my beloved wife I give and bequeath unto my two sons, viz, Joshua and Joel Johnson after each one of them pays over to William R Johnson and Lucretia Johnson my son and daughter now living with me to each one seventy five Dollars, all of the land of which I am now possessed of the same land mentioned in Item 1st to be equally divided betwixt the said Joshua and Joel after paying over the said money. Item 5th I give and bequeath unto my daughter Lucretia A. A. E Johnson one chest after the death of my wife provided she does not receive it before her death but if she does receive it before my wifes death then she is to not have a chest after her death. Item 6th all the balance of my property left after the death of my wife and after paying my just debts to be equally divided betwixt all of my children then living except what is above named in the above Items. I also nominate and appoint my beloved friend John Griffin my sole Executor to this my last will and Testament In testimony whereof I hereby publish this as my last Will and Testament revoking all others by me made this 16th day of April A.D. 1847

Signed in the presence of us Amos Johnson Seal

Stephen Cutlebridge

Stephen W. Cutlebridge

State of North Carolina
Martin County Court July Term 1848

Then was the within paper writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of Amos Johnson produced in open court and the due Execution thereof proved by the oath of Stephen W Cutlebridge one of the subscribing witnesses thereto & ordered to be recorded

L. Johnson Clk