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the Subscribing witnesses thereto, who sworn that they saw Mary W. James sign said public and declare this paper writing to be and contain her last will and Testament that at the time thereof she was of sound and disposing mind & memory & that she did it freely and without compulsion, Whereupon it was ordered adjourned and decreed by the Court that the said will was a good & sufficient will to convey both real and personal estate & ordered to be recorded, At the same time Julius S. Canaway the Executor thereto came in & qualified & took upon himself the burden of executing the said - Just. L. S. Briggs Ck

In the name of God Amen
I, Elisha Lyggett of the State of North Carolina & County of Mecklenburg, being of sound and perfect mind and memory do hereby certify that it is approved for all men to see, to make and ordain this my last will and Testament, in manner & form following hereby revoking annulling & making void all wills by me heretofore made -
I, Canaway, my will and desire is that my Executors hereafter named do speedily and punctually pay all my just debts.
I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Elizabeth Lyggett all the Land & whereon I now reside during her life estate in & with her my I also give and bequeath to my beloved wife Elizabeth Lyggett all my property during her life estate in & with her -
I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Elizabeth Lyggett that after the death of my beloved wife Elizabeth Lyggett I give and bequeath all my Land whereon I now live to Matthew William Meek my Grandson -
I do it my wish that the said Matthew William Meek will reside with my beloved wife during her life, take care of her & assist her in every thing she may require -
I give and bequeath to my Grandson Matthew William Meek the two and a half acres and all belonging thereto - also one cow and calf and their increase from now -
I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Elizabeth Lyggett my Horse, Buggy and Saddle and three apiece her cattle to fall to my Grandson Matthew William Meek -
I give and bequeath to my son James Lyggett the land and plantation which he now lives -
I give and bequeath to John Meek son John one hundred -
I do it the balance of my property I give and bequeath to my son James Lyggett my daughter Nancy Meek and Matthew William Meek to be equally divided among the three -
I do it my will and desire that in case my Grandson Matthew William Meek should die without leaving any lawful heir of his body living at the time of his death then I give the property I have bequeathed to him to be equally divided between all my grand children that may be living at the death of the said Matthew -

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I hereby constitute and appoint James Canaway Executor of this my last will and Testament - In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 17th day of March A.D. 1838.
Elisha Lyggett
his Clerk
Elisha Lyggett as his
last will & Testament in
presence of us
J. S. Canaway
J. S. Canaway

Elisha & Lyggett Seal
mark

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The foregoing paper writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of Elisha Lyggett was produced in open Court & proved on oath of the oath of the Subscribing witnesses thereto & was recorded - Whereupon James Canaway the Executor therein named appeared & qualified by taking the oath of an Executor - Just. L. S. Briggs Ck

In the name of God Amen
I, Elisha Lyggett, being of sound and perfect mind and memory do hereby certify that it is approved for all men to see, to make and ordain this my last will and Testament in manner & form following that is to say -
I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Nancy Lyggett and her heirs by the name of Nancy also one negro girl named Dinah, and also one negro woman named Mary, also two chris girls and furnished, all the sitting chairs, all the tables, and desks, all the Clocks, ward in hand, two Chests, one Horse of the name of Solomon and the same with two chris boys and calves, two chris boys and pigs, all the kitchen furniture, one dining chair and seat, one chris plough, two chris dogs, two chris standing Hoes, two chris gutting Hoes, also I send unto her, her natural life all the Land on the south side of the Fallowing road & being that portion of Land I bought of John Butterfield together with my Land purchased of Ellis & Price & Fred Thompson -
I give and bequeath to my son William L. Brown and negro boy named Jacob also one dog house, one feather bed and furnished one cow and calf, two Hens and pigs, also the Land I bought from William & Raynor, also two Sandy trees, also one negro girl named Harriet -
I give and bequeath to my son James Brown and negro boy of the name of Arthur, also the Land I own on the north side of Fallowing Road called the Miller tract adjoining William L. Brown also the Land I bought of Joseph Holliday on the north side of the Fallowing Road