

decided amongst my four children viz. Cyrus &  
other and, Isaac T. Alexander, Elizabeth Campbell &  
Sophia Alexander and I hereby nominate constitute  
& appoint my son Isaac T. Alexander, John Campbell  
& James Wilson Executors of this my last Will & Testament  
In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand &  
Seal this day & year above written: ...

Elias Alexander }  
Merced T. Kennedy } Seal  
Isaac Alexander

In the name of God Amen, I John Davidson of the  
County of Chesterburg & State of N. Carolina, having  
grown old & infirm, but of sound mind & memory & willing  
to mind the mortality of my body knowing that all  
men must die, Do make & declare this my last Will  
& Testament to wit I recommend my soul to God who  
gave it, & my body to the Earth, not doubting but I  
shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God.  
And as Touching such worldly estate as I have been  
blessed with in this life. I will give & bequeath & dispose  
of in the following manner - In the first place  
I Give & bequeath unto the Children & Heirs of Rebecca  
Green, And to the Children & Heirs of Isabella Graham  
Decd all that I have heretofore given them in the life  
time of my said two daughters, And as I have been the  
means of fixing them in a better lot than I ever  
any other of my Children. Therefore I think it a duty  
I owe to the rest of my children not to give them  
any more believing that they will be there with content  
Thus I Give & bequeath to my my beloved daughter  
Mary Wilson all the property that I have heretofore  
given her & also a negro Girl named, Elvira about  
Thirteen years old the daughter of my negro woman

Charles & also one seventh part of all my Estate not specially  
bequeathed, Item I give & bequeath to my beloved son Robert  
Davidson all that I have heretofore given him & also  
the one seventh part of all my Estate not heretofore  
specially bequeathed. Item I give & bequeath to Spencer & his  
heirs & end to my daughter Violet Davidson all the property which  
I had given & sold Violet in her life time, & the one 7th  
of all my Estate not heretofore specially bequeathed  
Item I give & bequeath to my beloved daughter Sarah  
Caldwell all the property I have heretofore given her  
and the one seventh part of all my Estate not otherwise bequeathed.  
Item I give & bequeath to my Grand daughter Violet Harris  
daughter of my daughter Margaret Harris Davidson all the  
property that I have heretofore given her more than that may be  
remaining after paying the last debts of the said Spencer Davidson.  
Item I give & bequeath to my beloved son John Davidson all  
that Tract or Tracts of Land on which I formerly lived, and in  
which he is in possession of including the Mills, Mansion house  
& all other buildings & improvements thereon, the said Land is  
bounded on the West by Robert Davidsons Land to his  
to his South east corner, thence a direct line to an old highway  
corner on or near the creek above a branch that runs in  
above the Indian ford & not far below the mill, & thence  
down & with the creek to the mouth of the canal, thence  
down the Canal or new Channel to the river, thence down  
the meanders of river to Hugh Barrys line, thence with  
said line to the said John Davidsons own line, thence with  
said line to Benjamin Wilsons old line to Robt Davidsons  
line which includes one hundred acres which I purchased  
from a claim the whole & all Decedents Grants or parts of  
Grants within those bounds, which said piece or  
parcels of Land I hereby bequeath to him convey and  
confer unto him his heirs and assigns, as in and

And also all the other property that I have heretofore given  
him, & the one seventh part of all my other Estate not specially  
will'd. Item I give & bequeath to my beloved daughter Elizabeth  
Davidson all the property that I have heretofore given her  
& also one seventh part of my Estate not specially will'd  
Item I give & bequeath to the children of my beloved son  
Benjamin & Davidson all the remainder of my Lands &  
bounded by Robert Davidson on the north & by the river on  
the west & south & by the Channel of the creek on the south  
& east up to the head of the same mentioned as a corner to  
my son John, thence with his line to Robert Davidsons  
south east corner it being all that is not bequeathed to  
my son John Davidson which said piece or parcel of  
Land I hereby bequeath to my children & confine unto  
the said children Equally of my son Benjamin &  
Davidson to them their heirs & assigns forever - and  
also all the property that I have heretofore given to my son  
Benjamin, & the one seventh part of all my Estate not  
specially will'd. Item I hereby request & authorize & empower  
my Executors here after named to sell & dispose of the whole  
of the residue of my Estate not herein particularly bequeath'd  
& the proceeds of said sale of my property in the hands of  
my trustee William L Davidson after paying all my  
just Debts to be divided in the following manner  
that is to say the one seventh to Mary Macken, the  
one seventh to Robert Davidson, the one seventh to  
William & Alexander, the one seventh to Sarah Caldwell  
the one seventh to Elizabeth Davidson, the one seventh  
to John Davidson, the one seventh to the children of  
Benjamin & Davidson to them & their heirs forever  
Lastly I hereby nominate constitute & appoint my  
true & lawful friends William L Davidson and William B  
Chenoweth Executors of this my last will & Testament

In the presence of I John Davidson the Testator  
has to, my last will & Testament affirmed my  
hand & seal this 23<sup>d</sup> of September 1831—

Signed Seal, published & declared by the said  
John Davidson the Testator as his last will  
& Testament in presence of

John H Caldwell }  
James D Whittington }

John Davidson 

In the name of God Amen, I John Spott Barnell of  
the County of Mecklenburg, State of N<sup>o</sup> Carolina, being in  
a weak state of health, but of sound mind & memory  
Do make this my last will & Testament, hereby revoking  
all other wills heretofore by me made. In the first  
place it is my will & desire that my Executor herein  
after named expose to sale the whole of my personal  
property of every description at such time and  
upon such terms as he may judge best for the interest  
of my Estate. If my Negroes Toney, Mary & Charlotte  
do not wish to be exposed to public sale, it is my  
desire that my Executor sell them at private sale  
giving them the privilege of choosing the per-  
sons to whom they wish to be sold; I wish George  
the Infant child of Charlotte to be sold upon the  
same terms as their Mother Charlotte is directed  
to be sold. In the second place I give & devise to  
Thomas B Smartt & his Heirs the Tract of Land de-  
vised to me by my father, on which I now reside  
situated in said County on Big Sugar creek ad-  
joining the lands of Stephen Fox, Susanah Smartt  
& others containing about three hundred acres  
upon the condition nevertheless that the said  
Thomas B Smartt execute within one year after