

Sarah A. Hawes, William B. Springer, Henry, and Sophia C.
Repe. These letters & letters to and from, I hereby nominate
and appoint my worthy friends & friends to be the
Proper Executors of that my last Will & Testament. hereby Res-
olving that's notwithstanding all heavy, other will by me made
for made; hereby confirming this only as my last Will
and Testament. In Testimony whereof I have hereunto
set my hand & signed my name this Twelfth day of July.
A.D. 1892.

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In presence of the ...

I am. Her answer

Charles F. Hermann

Saratoga Springs

In the name of God Amen, I William Smith of the
Town of Charlotte & State of N^c Carolina, being of sound &
disposing mind, Do make & declare this my last Will in
Testament. And hereby revoke all former Wills, bequests
of money or property to be to be made.

First It is my Will & desire that all my property real and
personal be kept together under the control & manage-
ment of my wife Mary Smith & my son William L
Smith for the common benefit of my family until the
decease of the said Mary Smith or until such time as my
executors with the advice of my friends Samuel McComb
William Carson & William H. Allen in or the survivors
three of my friends a Division be made there.

2^d If the division aforesaid should take place during the
life of my wife Mary Smith it is my Will & desire
that she select either my house & lot in Town or my
plantation known by the name of the Beauty tract which
she is to hold & possess during her life in right of her
Dower.

- 3^d It is my Will & desire that a contract entered into between myself & Henry B Williams dated 1st August 1892 the particulars of which are therein specified - be complied with, and further it is my Will & desire that whatever amount of Stock in trade may be increase in the Store now under the Management of said Henry B Williams at my decease may be continued under the stipulations of said Contract until its Expiration and as much longer as the parties interested may think advisable -
- 4th It is my Will & desire that the Mercantile business into which I have entered as a partner with Samuel M Comb. found at Mount Moriah in New York County of New York be closed as soon thereafter as may be convenient & that the amount received therefrom as my share be appropriated as directed by the other clauses of my Will -
- 5th It is my Will & desire that my daughter Mary Campbell be permitted free of rent to reside on my plantation known as the Rural Place where she now lives, until a division of my Estate takes place or until she is married in which case she shall no longer export the benefit of this clause -
- 6th It has been my good fortune to be able to bestow on all my Children a liberal Education with the exception of my son John to ~~whom~~ ^{whom} I should so it were to defer until his education it is my Will & desire that all the expenses necessarily incurred in his Education be paid out of my Estate without any charge being made against him individually unless it may be thought advisable that he should receive a collegiate education in which case with the exception of clothing his expenses while at College are to be

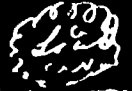
deducted from his share of my estate.

7th It is my will & desire that if any of my children should be deceased hereafter before a final division of my estate he or she receives a portion of my estate proportionable to that already paid to my daughters Attorney L to my daughter Jane Eliza on her account of which will be found in Ledger A of my store books

8th It is my will & desire that my Executor with the advice of my friends before mentioned be authorized at any time before a final division of my estate takes place to dispose of any property of which he & they may think a sale would be advantageous to the estate —

9th It is my will & desire that upon a final division of my estate, if it takes place during the life of my wife Mary Smith that she be entitled to a share equal to that of each of my children, but if the said division does not take place during the life of my wife then it is my will & desire that my estate be divided equally between my children, Franklin L Smith, Attorney L Boyce, Jane Eliza my daughter Sarah D Smith, Margaret M Smith and John B Smith she & her heirs & assigns being understood that whatever amount I have advanced or may hereafter advance to either of my said children on account of which as before mentioned will be found in Ledger A of my store books or whatever amount my Executor in pursuance of the seventh clause of my will may advance to either of them be considered as an advancement made to him or her, for which he or she is to account without interest on the amount advanced in the general division. it being my express wish that each of my children should as near as possible receive an

Equal portions of my estate Finally I make and bequeath
this as my last will & Testament in Testimony whereof
I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 20th day of
September A.D. 1892

William Smith 

signed sealed and published and declared by the
said Testator to be his last will & Testament in
presence of

William Benson

For H. Wilson & Co. Clerk I constitute and
appoint my son Franklin L. Smith sole executor
of this my last will and Testament in Testimony
whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and
affixed my seal this 19th day of October 1892

William Smith 

State of North Carolina
Cherokee County

Witness all men by their friends

That I James L. Vance of the County & State aforesaid
being in a low State of Health and of sound disposing
mind & memory calling to mind the mortality of man
do make & declare this my last will and Testament

First My will is that my body be buried in a Christian
like manner 2nd I desire that all my just debts be
paid the balance of my property I will and bequeath
in the following manner viz -

3rd My will is that my plantation on Star creek be sold
on a credit of twelve months and the proceeds of said
sale I wish Equally divided between Aunt Margaret
Spott & uncle James P. McKee to them & their heirs forever

4th I will & bequeath to Uncle James P. McKee a note of
hand I hold on him due 24th Decr 1892 for the sum of