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The Honorable Will of Hall M Leod Esquire who died on the thirteenth day of April 1844 and was committed to writing on the Twenty fourth day of April in the year 1844 -

1. He requested that as soon as the circumstances of the Estate would admit of it that the Land and Grist Mill at the plantations he bought from Live Pastors should be sold and the proceeds thereof could be raised for that purpose that they should be sold to the best advantage -
 2. He requests that the Negro or Slave should go to his son John when his said son should be of age and be his property absolutely - that the Negro girl named Charlotte should be given to his Daughter Elizabeth and the Negro Girl named Hannah be given to his Daughter Ann absolutely -
 3. He requests that the Negro Girl Hannah should remain in possession of his wife until his youngest Daughter Ann should be of age sufficient to go to school or until she should be able to take care of her self -
- The above was required by the Decedent and his Executors directed to carry the same into execution in presence of the Subscribers who were particularly requested to attend to the request and directed in this Honorable Will on the thirteenth day of April 1844 five or six days before his death and was directed by the decedent to witness his intention -

Alexander M Leod

Moore County Court Aug 2 Term 1844

The above Will was duly proven in Open Court by the Oath of Alexander M Leod and Ordered to be Recorded

John D. Powell etc

Alexander M. Millans Will

In the Name of God Amen, the 29th day of May 1844. I, Alexander M. Millan being sick in body but of good and perfect memory thanks be to Almighty God, and desiring to make known the true state of my property and that all just matters may be settled and that I may be at rest in my last will and testament in manner and form following touching and committing by these presents all and every testament and testamentary business only for my last will and testament and none other, and first being penitent and sorrow from my heart for sins past most humbly desiring forgiveness for the same, I give and bequeath my soul to Almighty God my dearer and better Father, in Whom and by the merits of Jesus Christ I trust as surely to be saved and to have full confession and forgiveness of all my sins, and that my dear Father my body at the general day of resurrection shall rise again at the Day; and when the Will of Christ shall be and passions perfect and interest the Kingdom of Heaven hereafter for his Elect and chosen, and my body to be buried in such a place as shall be thought proper by the Executors hereunto appointed, and for the estate of my temporal Estate and such goods Chattels and debts as it shall please God to give above my debts to be paid on me, the order given and disposed the same in form and manner following that is to say first, I will that all the debts and duties as I owe in right or law here to any person or persons absolutely shall be well and truly paid and discharged and paid or discharged to the said person or persons after my decease. Then I will and bequeath to my younger Daughter Sarah all that part of my stock of cattle with their increase that are called here, I bequeath give to her the best double head that is or may be on the plantation after her mother's death (of my horses) I will also bequeath to her, in right of her dower and dower to me my wife the use of the plantation with all the negroes thereon to live or live to me or any of her heirs any part or parts of the property as she may deem and be necessary for her own or their support, she is also by these presents empowered to sell any part of the stock of her own or either of us or any such as may be necessary to satisfy any such contract as may be made by her or her own or family or parties it shall also be known that if there should be any trifling division in the family my wife shall be entitled to the use of the best house on my plantation during her life. I will and bequeath that Sarah after her mother's death shall be sole possessor and heir of the plantation hereon now here, provided always that nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to alter her frame that part of the stock with their increase that are now here and called double, I bequeath to her the best double head that is or may be on the plantation Peter by giving him the best double head that is or may be on the plantation. I will also that after my wife's death all the movable property on my plantation except the part laid out for her to share by equally divided between her three sons I will and bequeath that I do my Grand Child Andrew Clark's son one hundred acres of land lying on both sides of Levi's road and on the waters of Little River or near a branch called the Black Branch, I have also three other separate tracts of land one lying on the waters of Jacks sons Creek, another on the waters of Little River joining the lands of the Petersons, I bequeath a third on the gut between Daniel M. Millan and John M. Bunnell being for one hundred acres each which I give to be equally divided between Catherine Clark, and Christened to the same share or life. I will and bequeath that if either of my children die leaving no issue their part of my property shall be divided between my lawful heirs, and I do and bequeath the above mentioned divisions I give and bequeath to Christened on her death that I have at present in possession the foregoing is a short statement of my will and testament. I witness these presents at my hand and state the day and year first above mentioned - Signed in the presence of us

John M. Millan and Andrew Clark Exec.

James P. Peterson
John D. Powell

Moore County Court Nov Term 1844

The above Will was duly proven in Open Court and ordered to be Recorded

Andrew M. Millan

John M. Millan
Andrew Clark

John D. Powell etc