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first choice also an equal part of all my estate both real and personal that I may die seized and possessed of provided nevertheless if the said Arabella C. Walker should die without a lawful heir that the property shall be equally divided among my lawful heirs. I furthermore constitute my worthy friend and nephew John Thorp executor to this my last will and testament. In testimony whereof I the said Elizabeth Vick have hereunto signed, sealed and acknowledged in the presence of us.

E.L. Curl
Virginia L.D. Curl

Elizabeth Vick (Seal)

State of North Carolina, court of pleas and quarter sessions, Nash County, quarter sessions, Aug. Term 1864. A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Elizabeth Vick deceased is exhibited in open court, by Arabella C. Walker the legatee therein named for probate and the due execution thereof by the said Elizabeth Vick is proved by the oath and examination of Virginia L.D. Curl, one of the subscribing witnesses thereto. It is considered by the court that the said paper writing and every part thereof is the last will and testament of the said Elizabeth Vick, and the same is ordered to be recorded and filed. The executor John Thorp therein named comes into open court and announces his right to qualify as such whereupon David Hicks is appointed administrator with the will annexed and enters into bond in the sum of one thousand dollars with T.B. Watson and H.H. Brian as sureties bond executed and accepted of by the court admr. qualifies according to law.

and is recorded in obedience thereto.

B.H. Sorsby, C.G.C. clk.
B.H. Sorsby, C.G.C. clk.

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In the Name of God Amen. I Sally Evans of the County of Nash and State of North Carolina, being of sound mind and disposing memory but considering the uncertainty of my worldly existence do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form as follows to wit: say first that my executors hereinafter named shall provide for my body a decent burial, suitable to the wishes of my relations and friends and pay all funeral expenses together with my just debts to whomsoever owing out of the moneys that may first come into their hands as a part or parcel of my estate. Item 1st. I give and bequeath to my three grandchildren to wit Isaac Evans, George Evans and Susan Evans children of my son Isaac B. Evans, the following named property to wit, three certain negroes named Genny, Caroline, and Harriett to them and their heirs forever, all of my household and kitchen furniture and what stock may be on hand at the time of my death with the exception of one young mare. Item 2. I give and bequeath to my daughter Charity Batchelor one hundred dollars to her and her heirs forever. Item 3. I give and bequeath to my grandson Joel Batchelor one young mare to him and his heirs forever. Item 4. I give and bequeath to my great grand daughter child of Sally Wells name Laura, one hundred and six acres of land be the same or less adjoining the lands of Geo W. Cooper the dower tract on which I now live, at being the lots of land drawn by my two sons Isaac B. Evans, and William Evans in the division of the lands belonging to my husband Isaac Evans deceased and purchased from them by me to her and her heirs forever and in the event of the death of the said Laura before she arrives at the age of twenty one years then and in that case it is my desire that the said land shall descend to the children of my grand daughter Sally Wells which she may hereafter have, and in the event of her not having heirs my desire is that she may have the said land. It is my will and desire that if there should not be money enough on hand at my death to pay the legacy left my daughter Charity Batchelor that my executors hereinafter named shall proceed to sell what corn and fodder that they may have on hand at my death to pay the same, and if there still should be a deficiency then and in that case I desire my executors to sell enough of the stock given away to my three grandchildren to wit Isaac Evans, George Evans and Susan Evans to satisfy said legacy. I do hereby constitute and appoint my son Isaac B. Evans, and B.H. Sorsby, my lawful executors to all intents and purposes to execute this my last will and testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same and every part and clause thereof, hereby revoking and declaring utterly void all other wills by me heretofore made. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 2nd day of January A.D. 1864.

T.H. Scott.

John T. Braswell

Sally Evans (Seal)

State of North Carolina, court of pleas and quarter sessions Nov. Term 1864 Nash County. A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Sally Evans, deceased is offered for probate and is duly proven by Jno. T. Braswell and T.H. Scott the subscribing witnesses thereto admitted to probate and is ordered to be recorded.

and is recorded.

Attest B.H. Sorsby, C.G.C. clk.

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State of North Carolina, Nash County. In the Name of God Amen. I Samuel Batchelor of the County of Nash and State above written being weak and feeble of body but of sound disposing memory do make this my last will and testament in manner and form to wit: Item 1. I give and bequeath to my son James S. Batchelor to him and his heirs one roan mare. Item 2. I give and bequeath to my son James S. Batchelor and his heirs one cow and six pigs. Item 3. I give and bequeath to my son James S. Batchelor and his heirs one half my crop now growing in the field of corn and fodder and potatoes and collards. Item 4. I give and bequeath to my son James S. Batchelor and his heirs two beds and bedsteads and all the furniture that belongs to the beds. Item 5. I give and bequeath to my son James S. Batchelor and his heirs one desk. Item 6. I give and bequeath to my son James S. Batchelor and his heirs one china press and six chairs. Further more I appoint my beloved son James S. Batchelor executor to this my last will and testament this the 25th day of May 1866, Signed and sealed in presents of witness.

test.
David Bone
Abraham Smith

Samuel Batchelor (Seal)

State of North Carolina, court of pleas and quarter session Nash County, quarter session Nov. term, 1866, a paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Saml Batchelor is offered for probate on the testimony of David J. Bone one of the subscribing witnesses thereto and is duly proved and admitted to probate and ordered to be recorded, and Jas S. Batchelor the executor therein named is duly qualified as such.

Attest B.H. Sorsby, C.G.C. clk.

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Ellen Meacone of the County of Nash and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence do make and declare this my last will and testament in manner and form following that is to say first that my executor hereinafter named shall provide for my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my friends and relations and pay all funeral expenses together with my just debts howsoever and to whomsoever owing out of the money that may first come into his hands as a part or parcel of my estate. Item My will and desire is that all my personal property be sold together with all my growing crop of corn peas and potatoes and greens and the money arising from said sale after paying my just debts to be for the support of my daughter Betsey P. Meacone to be given to her by my executors hereinafter named as they think proper. I give and unto my beloved daughter Betsey P. Meacone all the tract of land whereon I now live during her natural life and at her death to her bodily heirs if any not to my two grand children Charles C. Johnson and infant not named bodily heirs of Lucy Johnson during their life time. And lastly I constitute and appoint my trusty friends B.C. Strickland and Henderson Hout my lawful executors to all intents and purposes to execute this my last will and testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same and every part and clause thereof hereby revoking all other wills by me made heretofore. In witness whereof I the said Ellen Meacone do hereunto set my hand and seal, this the 17 day of September A.D. 1866.

E Meacone (Seal)

signed, published and declared by the said Ellen Meacone to be his last will and testament in the presence of us who at his request and in his presence do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto.

John R. Morris

Calvin Allen

State of North Carolina, court of pleas and quarter sessions Nash County, Nov. term 1866

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Ellen Meacone is offered for probate on the testimony of Calvin Allen one of the subscribing witnesses thereto and is duly proven and admitted to probate and B.C. Strickland one of the executors named is duly qualified as such.

and is recorded in obedience to law.

Attest B.H. Sorsby, C.G.C. clk.

Attest B.H. Sorsby C.G.C. clk.

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In the Name of God Amen. I Allen Jones of the County of Nash and State of North Carolina, being of infirm health but of sound mind, do make publish and declare this my last will and testament in manner and form following to wit: Item 1st. It is my will and desire that all my just debts and funeral expenses be first paid out of my estate by my executors hereinafter named. Item 2nd. I lend unto my wife Elizabeth Jones during her natural life, the whole of my real estate and all my personal property which may not be required for the payment of my debts, special legacies, funeral expenses and the expenses in and about the settlement of my estate, and at the death of my wife Elizabeth Jones, I give and bequeath the whole of said real estate unto my son John E. Jones to him and his heirs forever. Item 3rd. I give and bequeath unto my son John E. Jones, after the death of my wife Elizabeth Jones, one negro slave named Mada fifteen hundred dollars in money. One brandy still, cider cask and apple mill and fixtures

to him and to his heirs forever. Item 4th. I give and bequeath unto Martha Odum, Mary Wright and Amanda Pope, one negro slave named Patience and all the children which have or may hereafter be born of the body of said slave, but for said slaves to remain in the possession of Martin Pope during his natural life. Item 5th. I give and bequeath unto the children of my daughter Nancy Whitely, deceased, one negro slave named Jinney and all the children which may be hereafter born of the body of said slave, to them and to their heirs forever. Item 6th. After the death of my wife Elizabeth Jones, it is my will and desire that the residue of the property I have bequeathed unto my son John B. Jones, one share of which I give and bequeath to the children of my daughter Nancy Whitely, deceased, and I do hereby nominate, constitute and appoint my friend Jesse B. Drake and my son John B. Jones executors to this my last will and testament. In witness whereof, I the said Allen Jones have hereunto set my hand and seal, this 26th day of August, 1861.

signed, sealed and acknowledged
in presence of us

Henry A. Todd
Cordell M. Eilen
State of North Carolina,
Nash County

his
Allen J. Jones (Seal)
mark.

Court of pleas and quarter
session, May Term, 1867

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Allen Jones is offered for probate on the evidence of Henry A. Todd and Cordell M. Eilen the subscribing witnesses thereto and is duly proved and admitted to probate and is ordered to be recorded.

and is recorded in obedience thereto

Attest, B. H. Sorby, Clerk of Court.

In the Name of God Amen. I Sally Bunn of the County of Nash and State of North Carolina, being of sound mind and memory do make, publish and declare this my last will and testament. Item 1. I give and bequeath unto my grand daughter Sally Eliza Bunn the entire contents of my room consisting of bed, bedstead, furniture and c. Item 2. I give and bequeath to my three grand daughters Sally Eliza Bunn, Lucy Bunn, and Mary Ballard Bunn all my lands together with the dwelling house and all other improvements thereon, subject to lease and occupancy of my daughter-in-law Sarah Eliza Bunn during her natural life should she remain single or during her widowhood should she ever again marry. That is, at her death or marriage the lands and improvements shall go directly to my three grand daughters should they all be living, or to the issue of the body of such as may be dead, such issue to represent the parent and receive such share as the parent would be entitled to if living. And in the event of the death of one or more of them before reaching the age of maturity and without issue, or their heirs in fee simple forever. Said lands not to be divided or partitioned between them until the youngest shall have reached the age of twenty-one years, but shall remain in common stock as a common home. I further give to my three grand daughters above named, one piano which is now in the house to be held and owned by them jointly and equally. Item 3. All the balance of my property or money not hereinbefore disposed of I give and bequeath to all my living grand children viz: To Sally Eliza Bunn, Bennett Bunn, Lucy Bunn, Mary Ballard Bunn, Henry Bunn and Peter Bunn, to be equally divided between them, granting to my grand daughter Sally Eliza the privilege of selecting any negro she may prefer, which negro shall be accounted to her at a fair valuation as a part of the general or last mentioned property. This property like the land to go at once to the legatees in the event of the death or marriage of their mother but otherwise to remain on the farm, under her management to control further and their support during their minority, each drawing out her or his share on reaching years of maturity or marrying and leaving the balance in common stock for the support of the minors. Item 4. In the event of the death of all my grand children without issue before the death of all my grand children, or in such event even after their death before they or any of them have issue or arrive at years of maturity, then and in that case I desire that my nephew Peter B. Hines shall have all the property herein named. Item 5. I hereby nominate, constitute and appoint, Doct. James J. Phillips, executor to this my last will and testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and set my seal this 15th day of January A D 1859.

Sally Bunn (Seal)

Witness
Redmon Bunn
John Thorp

State of North Carolina, August term 1866 Nash County. A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Sally Bunn deceased is offered for probate and the due execution thereof by the said Sally Bunn is proved by the oath and examination of Redmon Bunn and John Thorp subscribing witnesses thereto. It is considered by the court that the said paper writing and every part thereof is the last will and testament of the said Sally Bunn and the same is ordered to be recorded. The executor James J. Phillips therein named comes into open court and renounces his right to qualify.

Attest B. H. Sorby, Clerk of Court.

State of North Carolina, Nash county, March 3, 1868

I, Abraham Lamm of the county of Nash and State aforesaid being of sound mind and memory, but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence, do make and declare this my last will and testament in manner and form following Item 1st. I desire that my executors hereinafter named shall provide for my body a suitable burial according to the wishes of my relatives and friends and pay all funeral expenses together with my just debts howsoever and to whomsoever owing out of the first moneys that may come into their hands as a part and parcel of my estate. Item 2nd. I loan to my beloved wife Temperance Lamm the tract of land on which I now live during her lifetime and two lot choice beds and furniture one lot choice horse, one lot choice cow and calf, one buggy, ten head lot choice hogs and farming tools to carry on farm. Item 3. I give and devise unto my grand son Wm Lamm after my wife's death the entire tract of land on which I now live known as Bryant tract being the same tract of land which I loaned to my wife Temperance Lamm. Item 4. I desire that my executors shall give to my two grand daughters Polly Wells and Emily Lamm fifty dollars each in money. Item 5. I give and devise to my daughter Zinny Holomon one hundred acres of land to be cut off the Rice tract next to Henry Bryants line to include the houses and an upright hand side of the road going east, to be run off in good shape. Item 6. In addition to the hundred acres of land which I have given my daughter Zinny Holomon I desire that she shall have one hundred dollars in money to be paid to her by my executors. Item 7. I will and devise unto all my lawful heirs namely Thomas Lamm, Jacob Lamm, Neal Lamm, Zinny Holomon, Elizabeth Edwards, Jno Lamm, Mary Rose and Davis Lamm heirs of my body all the balance of the property not heretofore disposed of to include the property which I have loaned to my wife Temperance Lamm after her death except the tract of land on which I live, and which I have given to my grand son Wm Lamm, and I want and direct that my executors shall sell the same and divide the money equally among them all - and lastly: I do hereby constitute and appoint my worthy friends Jacob Lamm and Frank Edwards, my lawful executors to all intents and purposes to execute this my last will and testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same and every part and clause thereof hereby revoking and declaring utterly void all other wills and testaments by me heretofore made. In witness whereof I the said Abraham Lamm, do hereunto set my hand and seal, this 3 day of March 1868.

his
Abraham Lamm (Seal)
mark.

Geo. H. Lewis
Hardy D. Batchelor
Isaac H. Taylor

State of North Carolina, Nash County

S. S. In the probate court.

A paper purporting to be the last will and testament of Abraham Lamm deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned Judge of Probate for said county, by Jacob Lamm one of the executors thereon named, and the due execution thereof by the said Abraham Lamm by the oath and examination of the subscribing witnesses thereto, who being duly sworn, do depose and say, and each for himself depose and say, that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown him purporting to be the last will and testament of Abraham Lamm. That the said Abraham Lamm in the presence of these deponents subscribed his name at the end of said paper writing which is now shown as aforesaid and bears date of the 3rd day of March, 1868. And the deponents further say, that the said Abraham Lamm, the testator, aforesaid, did at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid declare that said paper writing so subscribed by him and exhibited to him his last will and testament and that the deponents did thereupon subscribe their names at the end of said will as attested by the deponents, and at the request and in the presence of the said testator. And these deponents further say, that at the said time when the said testator subscribed his name to the said last will and at the time of the deponents subscribing their names, the attesting witnesses thereto as aforesaid the said Abraham Lamm was of sound mind and memory of full age to execute a will, and was not under any restraint to the knowledge of information or belief of these deponents and further these deponents say not.

severally sworn and subscribed
this 15th day of Dec. 1871 before me.
J. P. Jenkins, Probate Judge.

Geo. H. Lewis, (Seal)
Isaac H. Taylor (Seal)
mark.