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Item: My will and desire is that the residue of my estate both real and personal after ratifying the above named legacies be equally divided between my two sons Canfield Harris and Joel Harris, to them their heirs and assigns forever.

Lastly: I do hereby appoint my son Joel Harris and my friends <sup>James</sup> Thorp and Samuel Smith executors to this my last will and testament declaring null and void all former wills by me made.

Signed, sealed and acknowledged  
by the testator as his last will  
testament in presence of us.

Lewis Hines  
Alexander Smith  
John A Atkinson Jrat

Randolph Harris (Seal)

Nash County

November session 1815

The within will was duly proven in open court by the oath of Elias Barret and John Braswell two subscribing witnesses thereto and on motion ordered to be recorded.

Attest Wm Hall, C.C.

and is registered in obedience to the above order.

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In the Name of God Amen. I William Lawrence of the County of Nash and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory doth ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following to wit: First I leave the tract of land called the Massengale land to be sold also the land belonging to me on the north side of swift creek to be sold. Secondly I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Nancy Lawrence one sorrell horse by the name of Cobb my riding chair and harness all that belongs to it also my beef to her forever. it is my will and desire that my family shall have support out of my estate for all them one year.

Thirdly I leave one horse by the name of brinkley and one mare by the name of Pidgeon to be sold also Enough of my other property to pay my debts such property that my executors and wife think can be sold best. The balance I give to my wife her life time. Then to be sold and equally divided between my children I had by my first wife.

Fourthly and lastly I do nominate my friend George Boddie and Cader Bass executors to this my last will and testament. Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and fixed my seal this 8th day of January 1816.

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Signed, sealed and delivered  
in the presence of  
John Richardson  
Isaac Lawrence  
Henry Bridgers

William Lawrence (Seal)

As I Leroy Lawrence wife of Wm Lawrence doth agree before witnesses willing by and freely for the land to be sold that I bought of James Massengill under said Wm Lawrence last will and testament this

8th of January 1816.

John Richardson  
Isaac Lawrence  
Henry Bridgers.

Louisa Lawrence (Seal)

Nash County February session 1816.

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In the Name of God Amen. I Reuben Whitfield of Nash County and State of North Carolina being sick and weak of body but of perfect mind and memory blessed be god do this 5th day of February one thousand eight hundred and sixteen make and publish this my last will and testament in manner following that is to say

First: I give and bequeath to my loving daughter Mourning Whittles one black mare to her and her heirs forever.

Now my will and desire is that all the remainder part of my estate stock of every kind household and kitchen furniture and all that I possess with in doors and without should be sold and all my just debts paid and after my just debts are paid I give and bequeath to my two loving daughters all that remains cash in hand notes and accounts namely to Catharine Whitley and Mourning Whittles to be equally divided between them to them and their heirs forever. and I hereby make ordain my friend Richard Holland executor of this my last will and testament in witness where of I the said Reuben Whitfield have to this my last will and testament set my hand and seal the day and year above written in presents of us.

Isaac Sessums  
his  
mark.  
Nash County

Reuben Whitfield (Seal)

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Witnessed, sealed and acknowledged by the testator as his last will testament in presence of us.

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John A. Atkinson Jr

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Nash County

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Isaac Seassum

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Nash County

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