

State of North Carolina³ Oct. 29th 1859—
New Hanover County³

I now all men by these presents that I David Alderman
of the County & State of ones do by these presents set forth
that it is my will and desire that all my worldly estate
both personal & real shall after my decease be equally di-
vided among my lawful heirs according to the laws of
the State of North Carolina, with the following exceptions ~~for~~
that my oldest son David Alderman deceased has had
his full & rightfull Share & that David Alderman of the
State of Mississippi my youngest Son also had his full &
just Share, and thirly, that my wife Sera
Alderman shall have my negro man Gordon during
her natural life, and her decease to be divided among
my lawful heirs according to the laws of the State.
It witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and affix
My seal on the day and date first above written
Signed & sealed in presence of his
H. Sterling Bennett & ^{his}
William J. Herring ^{mark}

State of North Carolina
New Hanover County Court December Term 1860
This paper writing purporting to be the last Will and
Testament of David Alderman is presented
in open Court for probate, and is duly proved
by the oaths of H. Sterling Bennett & William J. Herring
both the Subscribing witnesses thereto, and as such
considered by the Court to be and contain the last
Will & Testament of said David Alderman &
sufficient to convey the bequests therin made,
at the same time, I H Mo Alderman qualified
as Local administrator with the will annexed
of said David Alderman.

First Sworn Burying Clerk