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State of North Carolina
In the name of God Amen
William Battlers of the County and State aforesaid
considering the uncertainty of the human life and
certain death while in mind is sound and sound
in mind my memory sound and good do make
the following instrument to be hereafter seen and
last will

First that my request that my debts be paid and
satisfied by my executor that is by John Battlers
and John Harnock, who I appoint my lawful
representatives

Next I give to my son Charles Battlers all the
lands I possess in Carter County, near Raleigh
to my son Charles one negro girl in the name of
Ester to him forever.

I also give to my living wife Elizabeth Battlers
three negroes, viz. Pat Bellamy, Isaac Dean to my
wife Elizabeth Battlers all the land that I own
in Lincoln County, during her natural life and
after her death to my son Charles Battlers, I also
give to my daughter Apple Battlers two negroes
named Dick and Edmond, and with all the
business of my property both and dividing equally
among my wife and two children, I appoint
my Brother John Battlers be guardian to my son
Charles Battlers and Apple Battlers

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I also wish it my executor think it proper to add
my wish that I give my daughter Apple Battlers
that my share be so far the benefit of my daughter
I wish accordingly this to be my last will in person
of these witnesses, whom I have set my hand and
seal this the 27th of September 1831.
Wm. Battlers Seal
Sub. Mary Potts

My wife -

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In Court held Sept. Term 1832
Charles County I am the wife William
Battlers, widow, to probate, which was admitted in
the prob. of Mary Potts & John Battlers and
John Harnock the executor in his name, just
filed in due form of law let it be recorded
L. P. Harnock CCC

I Francis Chambers of the County of Curlew and
State of North Carolina, do make and ordain
this my last will and testament in manner &
form following viz. I leave to Elizabeth Battlers
the wife to the name of Mary, during her natural
life, or as long as she lives without a husband, and
at her death to my daughter Charlotte Dickson
and the remainder of my of estate consisting
a parcel three hundred and thirty acres of
land, three negroes and stock of my descendants
household and testamentary, which I do hereby

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 to my dear daughter Charlotte Dickson, during her
 natural existence, and at her decease, I then give to
 the said daughter her share of her bidg the estate upon
 life, with all the increase thereof if she leaves any
 husband then I leave the whole of the property with
 her the said Charlotte Dickson, then to leave the
 property as she shall see proper, when I nominate
 Executors and appoint sole executors of this my
 last will and testament, hereby revoking all
 other and former Wills by me at any time heretofore
 made. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my
 hand and seal this November the first in the year
 of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty
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 Francis Dickson had

Expressed of
 David Telford &
 Attorney at Law

I publish & declare this to be my last will and testa-
 ment, where said estate is devised

State of North Carolina }
 Clerk of Court } In Court September 1832
 Then came the will of Francis Dickson offered for
 probate which was admitted upon the testimony of
 David Dickson & Clara Dickson, the subscribing
 Witnesses Charles & William Dickson & Charlotte his
 wife came into Court and qualified as Executor
 in due form of law.
 J. W. McClenahan

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 I the said David Telford Clerk of the
 County of Onslow and State of North Carolina, being
 of sound mind and memory have in due order
 the 27th day of June in the year of our Lord 1829
 made and published this my last will and testament
 in manner following that is to say
 I have and bequeath to my two sons John and
 Henry Dickson all my land plantation consisting of
 180 acres to be equally divided between my said
 sons also one hundred dollars, I give in execution
 is sufficient after my general children is paid and
 payable to them and their heirs forever.
 I have and bequeath to my son Stephen Dickson
 the land and plantation which I now live and live
 common place, adjoining by Adamson 219 acres also
 my Negro Man Isaac, only two years time of said
 Isaac to be put to the use of said son and his heirs
 of my two general children also my tract to him
 and his heirs and assigns forever.
 I have and bequeath to my daughter Nancy Rogers
 my Negro Woman Lucy and her increase from the date
 date, and her own furniture and trunk, that she
 have claimed to me and her heirs forever.
 I have and bequeath to my daughter the Abil. Swan
 or Negro girl Mary and her child that was her own
 child to her and her heirs and assigns forever.
 I have and bequeath to my daughter Rebecca
 Davis my Negro girl Anne and an other formerly called