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In the name of God Amen.

I Joseph Brown of
Rutherford County and State of North Carolina,
Calling to mind the uncertainty of life, and the
certainty of death do make and declare this
my last Will and Testament in manner and
form following. —

First. I give and devise all the lands I received by my
beloved wife Milley, to her in fee simple. —

Second. I give and bequeath to my beloved wife, the negro
girl Mary, which she had at our marriage, to have
and to hold the said girl Mary as her own separate
and absolute property forever. —

Third. I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Milley and
our two children, Mary Ann and Thomas, any interest
or children which the said negro girl Mary may
have, to have and to hold the said increase as tenants
in common, and to be equally divided between them
upon either, the arrival of our oldest child at
twenty one years, the marriage of my daughter
wife. —

Fourth. I give and bequeath all the personal property
of every description, including three hundred dollars
and interest on that sum from the first day of May
1823, which I received upon the marriage of my
wife, to be her absolute property forever. —

Fifth. I will and direct that all my interest in lands
and lots, not before mentioned, and belonging
to the firm of Reinhardt, Brown and Co; be sold
in twelve months on a credit of not less than
one year, and not more than five years; and
all property not received by my wife belongs to
the firm, and further, all debts and credits within
the same are due to, or owing from the

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firm, whether in my individual name, or under the
signature of the firm. —

Sixth. — I give and bequeath all my plows, hand saw
and iron square to my brother in law Robert G. Twitty. —
Seventh. — I desire all the goods in the store to be sold
in twelve months on such terms as my representation
and the rest of the firm may think best. —

Eighth. — I desire that all my other property, not before men-
tioned be sold. —

Ninth. — I wish all my part of the proceeds of the sales
of goods in the store, and debts due the firm together
with all other monies accruing from the sale of my
property after payment of debts, to be equally divided
amongst my beloved wife Milley, and our two
little children, Mary Ann and Thomas. —
And finally,

I appoint my trusty friend Robert G.
Twitty to be the Executor of this my last will and
Testament. — In witness whereof I have
affixed my seal and set my hand this 24th
day of September 1825. —

In presence of

Jacob Michael (seal) 2
Ophyr B. Irvine 3

Do: Brown (seal) ✓

In the name of God, Amen.

I Joseph Eakin son of the
county of Rutherford and State of North Carolina,
being at this time in a low state of health, though
in perfect and sound mind and memory, calling
to mind the uncertainty of life and the certainty
of death do make this my last will and Testament.
I resign my soul to God who gave it, and my

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body to decently buried at the discretion of my Executors nothing doubting but that I shall receive it again at the last day. I do therefore give and bequeath unto my loving wife Isabella my negro woman slave named Cate during her life, and at her death to my daughter Sally Biggerstaff. I likewise do give unto my loving wife the plantation that I now live on during her natural life to be equally divided between my son John & George at her death. I likewise give to my loving wife all the money on hand and all the money that is in due me for her support together with all the household furniture and her choice of the horses and one cow and calf her choice, and as many of the hogs as she wants, all my other estate to be sold at Vendor at twelve months credit and one tract of two hundred acres of Land lying on the Buffalo branch to be sold at Vendor and fifty dollars to be given to each one of James Biggerstaff's sons Benjamin & Joseph, the money arising from the sale of my estate as heretofore directed is to be equally divided amongst my lawful heirs vizt. Sally Biggerstaff & Isabella Wilkison, Thomas Eakin, Samuel Eakin, George Eakin & John Eakin.

I do hereby constitute and appoint James Biggerstaff and James M. Eakin to be my Executors of this my last will and Testament, declaring and confirming this to be my last will and Testament, and revoking all others. In testimony whereof I the said Joseph Eakin hath hereunto set his hand and affixed his seal this 24th Decr. December in the year of our Lord Christ

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one thousand eight hundred and twenty four signed and acknowledged in the presence of R. H. Wilson (jurat) Joseph Carpenter Joseph Carpenter's mark

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In the name of God Amen.

I Gabriel Washburn of Rutherford County North Carolina being of sound and perfect mind and memory (blessed be God) do this twelfth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty two make and publish this my last Will and Testament in manner following that is to say,

First: I give and bequeath unto my daughter Mary Davis five dollars to be paid by my Executors in twelve months after my decease.

Secondly: I give and bequeath to my daughter Eliza Morris five dollars to be paid as aforesaid.

Thirdly: I give and bequeath to Thomas Martin Clerk and the four children he had by my daughter Rhoda his wife, who is since dead five dollars to be paid as aforesaid.

Fourthly: I give and bequeath to my daughter Martha Harris five dollars to be paid as aforesaid.

Fifthly: I give and bequeath to my son Isaac