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daughter Mary Erwin and to her heirs forever

I do hereby nominate and appoint Jonathan Hampton Esquire and John Moore Esq to be the executors of this my last will and testament.

Signed and acknowledged this 18th day of July A.D. 1815 in presence of

Robert Williamson (Jurat) *his* Agent of Miller
A. S. Erwin (Jurat) *mark*

(The exors refused to qualify, & Ben. H. Brady appointed adm.)
Came test. as. July 21. 1829.

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North Carolina
Rutherford County

In the name of God Amen. I Luke Waldrop Sen. being in good health and of a sound mind & memory, but calling to mind that I must shortly die I do constitute & ordain this to be my last will and Testament: First I commend my soul to God who gave it and that my body be decently buried, & that all my just debts be paid, and the balance I shall dispose of as follows: I give and bequeath to my well beloved wife Mary my land whereon I now live fifty acres more or less her natural life time together with all my other property, then to be divided as follows, my land to be divided equally between my two daughters Sarah & Mary & each of them to have a cow and calf & feather bed - I also give my son Asa one cow & calf & feather bed and the balance of my property to be equally divided between my daughters

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Sarah & Mary and my son Asa - I also appoint my daughter Sarah and my son Asa Executors of this will. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 4th day of January 1828

Witness

John Lankford

Luke Waldrop Sen. (Jurat)

Luke Waldrop Sen. (Jurat)

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In the name of God Amen.

I William Wade planter of Rutherford County and State of North Carolina, being of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding, praised be God for the same, do make and declare this my last will and Testament in manner & force following; that is to say after my just debts and my funeral expenses are paid, I give to my dearly beloved wife Martha Wade, during her natural life all my estate both real and personal that I may be possessed of at the time of my decease, also all the profits and advantages arising from my estate, except the increase of the negroes if there should be any of which increase she shall be entitled to one half. Having the fullest confidence in the prudence and discretion of my wife Martha Wade, and as she has been instrumental in acquiring the property with which it has pleased providence to bless me I have thought it proper and right that she should have the disposal of the half of my personal estate together with the whole of the

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profits arising from the cultivation of the farm, the employment of the negroes, or by any other method whereby any species of property may be accumulated and also half the increase of the negroes if any there shall be. And I do hereby authorize and empower her, at any time after this my will has been admitted to probate to convey by deed or by deed or by will, or in any other way all or any part of said property to any person or persons whomsoever she may please. I recommend to my wife that the whole of the negroes be kept together and employed in the cultivation of the farm, nevertheless it may be optional with her to employ them in any manner she may choose.

At the special request and desire of my wife Martha Wade, I give to Edmund Booker and Martha Booker his wife, of Rutherford County, & State of North Carolina and to their heirs forever, all my real estate that I may be possessed of at the time of my decease either in North Carolina or South Carolina to be put in possession thereof at the time of the death of my wife.

The other half of my personal estate that may remain at my wife's decease, and half the negroes that may have been born after my death I give to be equally divided between the heirs of my brother Edward Washington Wade of Barnwell District South Carolina and to their heirs.

And I do hereby nominate and appoint my beloved wife Martha Wade my sole executrix to this my last will and testament, hereby revoking and making void all former wills & testaments at any times heretofore by me made and do declare this to be my last will and

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Testament. In witness whereof I the said William Wade have hereunto set my hand and seal this seventh day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty seven.

Signed, sealed, declared and published by the above named William Wade as and for his last will and testament in the presence of us, who at his request and in his presence have subscribed our names as

Witness thereto

James Jackson (Clerk)

William Jackson (Clerk) & Ministers

Moses Jackson

Wm. Wade Seal

In the name of God Amen.

I James Wilson, Clerk of the County of Rutherford and State of North Carolina being of sound and perfect mind and memory blessed be God for his mercies towards me do this 29th day of March 1829 make and publish this my last will and testament in manner following that is to say 1st I recommend my soul to God who gave ^{it} knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die and my body to be interred in a Christianlike manner believing that at the resurrection I shall be raised by his power and hoping on him through faith by his blood shed that I ^{shall} be removed into his rest.

2^d I give and bequeath unto my son James Wilson one piece of land including his improvement, beginning on two Mulberry's on the West bank of the creek thence up the creek as it meanders to the mouth of a pond on the East side of the creek thence running on the East of the creek including