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Know all men by these presents that Daniel G. Welfare being weak in body but sound of mind & memory do constitute & ordain the following Memorandum my last will & testament thereby revoking all wills by me made of date prior to this. I do give & bequeath unto my wife Catherine all my property real personal & whatsoever as her undivided property during her life or as long as she remains my widow leaving her free to keep or sell as she may think proper.

2^d In case of her marrying again she shall equally divide the property or value thereof between herself and my three children or their surviving share & share alike.

3^d I appoint my wife Catherine sole Executrix of my estate, but request my particular friends friends of the Court J. Lewis & Charles H. Cooper kindly to assist her in all transactions when she may want their advice and assistance for which she may of course reward them according to her ability.

4th Whatever property may be left at the death of my wife I wish to be equally divided among my children.

5th Should my wife die while my children are minors I would wish the above kind friends or others to be fully authorized to retain such articles of my property as are of a scientific or artistic nature for my children until it should wish they have a disposition to use them or can dispose for themselves. On the 18th of the above I have hereunto set my hand & seal in this 18th of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty one.

David Blum Sen.
William Holland

Daniel G. Welfare

September Term 1841.

The Execution of the last will and Testament of Daniel G. Welfare and of which the foregoing is a true copy was duly proved in open Court by the oath of William Holland one of the subscribing witnesses thereto & ordered to be recorded.
Done accordingly.

W. H. Hill. c.

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In the Name of God Amen
I Mary Magdalene Swaim of the State of North Carolina and County of Stokes being weak in body though strong in mind and being desirous that some arrangement be made concerning my estate do make this my last will & testament.
1st I will that out of my estate all my just debts be paid off.
2^d I will that out of my estate my daughter Guldah have ten dollars to use of herself and her heirs.
3^d I will that my daughter Elizabeth have a part of my estate to the use of herself and her heirs twelve dollars.
4th I will and bequeath to my daughter Rachel twelve dollars out of my estate.
5th I will and bequeath to my daughter Sarah twenty five dollars in money and my best bed and bedding and bedstead also my tea kettle & iron and chest to the use of herself her heirs or assigns.
6th I will and bequeath to my son Elyzer five dollars in cash also my sythe and cradle.
7th I will and bequeath to my son Eli five dollars in cash.
8th I will and bequeath to my son Thomas six dollars in cash.
9th I will that the balance of my estate together with the portion of my father's estate falling to me be equally divided among all my children.
10th I will that John Smith Sen. be my Executor to my estate that he may after my death distribute my estate as above directed. The above is my will concerning temporal affairs unto which I do hereunto set my hand and seal this the 18th day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty one.
Signed in the presence of

D. B. Bradenhamer
Jonathan Lavin

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Mary Magdalene Swaim
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September Term 1841.

The Execution of the last will and Testament of Mary Magdalene Swaim and of which the foregoing is a true copy was duly proved in open Court by the oath of David G. Bradenhamer one of the subscribing witnesses thereto & ordered to be recorded.
Done accordingly.

W. H. Hill. c.