

197 One Saddle, one Chest, one cotton & one flax wheel  
Hence I give my Sons George James, William & Griffith  
and my Daughters Margaret Mary and Martha Griffith  
also to the children of my Son. I am the same that  
Adam would have. And was he living one equal share  
of the balance of my property which is to be sold &  
the money to be divided.  
5<sup>th</sup> and Lastly I will that my Son William Griffith  
to act as Executor of this my will and testament  
In witness whereof I do hereunto set my hand &  
Seal this 17<sup>th</sup> day of June 1844  
+ F. L. Williams William Griffith Esq  
John Brinkley.

June Term 1845

The Execution of the last will & testament of Wm  
Griffith and (of which the foregoing is a true copy) was duly  
proved in open Court by the oaths of A. M. Gibson & John  
Brinkley Subscribing witness thereto and ordered to be recorded.

M. O. Hill. esq.

South Carolina States County March the 31<sup>st</sup> 1845  
This day will & subscribe my beloved wife ~~and~~ my Law  
of marriage I am in possession of and all my house hold &  
Kitchen furniture & two head of horse & four head of cattle,  
Twenty three head of hog & six head of sheep together with  
all the property sheeL so long as she remains single  
& the State. Many again I want my property divided  
equally between my wife & children, my wife to have  
a child's part, to this my last will & testament  
I appoint J. M. Gibson my Executor and sealed in  
the presence of us  
James M. Gibson Amos Marshall Esq  
Robert W. Gibson

his  
Amos Marshall Esq  
Mark

June Term 1845

The Execution of the last will & testament of  
Amos Marshall Esq (of which the foregoing is a true copy)  
was duly proved in open Court by the oaths of James M. Gibson  
and Robert W. Gibson the subscribing witness thereto and  
ordered to be recorded.

M. O. Hill. esq.

In the name of God, amen. I David Spainhour 198  
of the County of States, and State of North Carolina to the  
10<sup>th</sup> day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand  
Eight hundred and forty five being twelve in age but  
of sound mind and memory thankes be to God, calling  
to mind the uncertainty of human life, being anxious  
to dispose of all my worldly substance as it has been please  
God to keep me safe in this life  
First, I will that my wife Catherine have the house & home  
in I now live with fifty acres of land whiche it is intended  
to belong her - her natural life and after her death to  
belong to said House - husband of my daughter Franky  
and that my wife is also to have two choice Milch cows  
and that the said said House is also to maintain my  
wife during her natural life and after her death all her  
property to belong to the said said House  
I will that all my horses, cattle, sheep and hogs & stock  
of every description except the two <sup>milch</sup> cows above mentioned  
together with all the plantation tools, the Halls and Stables  
Bleachery Hall the house hold & kitchen furniture be sold  
by my Executor and that all my Just debts & general expences  
to be paid out of the money among them and the balance to  
be divided as follow:

I will that my ~~dear~~ daughter Franky wife of said  
House have the remainder part of my Land lying around  
the fifty acres already settled and after my wife's death the said  
said House to bear the fifteen acre also which is will'd to  
my wife and the said House also have the Blacksmith  
tools, and wheat of course.

I will that my son Abraham Spainhour have one hundred dollars  
in money.

I will that my daughter Charlotte Spainhour have one  
hundred dollar in money. But if the sale money after  
paying my Just debts and expences should not be  
sufficient to pay the two hundred dollars above written then  
the aforesaid said House to pay the deficiency out of his  
part. But if any of the sale money should remain after  
paying the expences and the two hundred dollars the  
balance to be divided amongst all the legatees.  
My son Dennis Spainhour has already received 150  
acres of land as his part of my estate.  
My son Isaac Spainhour has also received 50 acres  
of land and one man as his part of my estate.

199 I also will that my wife Catharine have the bed  
and chest, table and plan wchel  
I hereby constitute & appoint my son David Spainhour  
as my lawfull Executor of this my last will & testament  
revoking all other and former wills and testaments  
in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand &  
seal the day and year above written, signe and  
and acknowledged in the presence of us

W. Spainhour  
D. Spainhour

David Spainhour

June Term 1845

The Execution of the last will & testament of  
David Spainhour died (of which the foregoing is a true copy)  
was duly proved in open Court by the oaths of W. Spainhour  
and D. Spainhour subscribing witness thereto and  
ordered to be recorded.

On, 5. Sept. 1845

This my last will and testament made this the 13<sup>th</sup> day of  
August A.D. 1845  
First To my wife Elizabeth G. Eggleston (one half of my  
plantation) to have the division made in any way she  
may choose, so that each half shall be together, or if she  
prefer the house and lands I bought of Daniel Stover  
and the lot I bought of G. H. Adens in preference to half the  
plantation she may take whichever she chooses, and also  
my negro man Elizkew, Negro boy Lewis, Negro woman  
Rachael and her two children, two choice horses, three  
choice milk cows & calves, all the hogs twelve sheep,  
the grain on hand, all the salt, all the fodder hay and  
straw, all the sugar and coffee on hand two plow  
six working hoes, one harrow & harrow hoe her choice  
all the potatoes all garden vegetables, two pair hams  
for preserving, one new two horse wagon, all these she  
has during her lifetime or widowhood after selling  
so much of my property as will discharge my debts.  
She is to have all the residue as before my executors  
are to sell the property for the payment of my debts and  
also all the property that may remain after her death  
or marriage is to be sold by my executors I wish  
my executors to collect all my outstanding debts as  
soon as convenient. I do hereby appoint

moniate my friends John Hill & James Y. Brown 200  
my executors done at my request and signed with my  
hand the day and year above mentioned

In the presence of

W. Spainhour

Geo. G. Wilson

& W. Eggleston

Sept Term 1845

The execution of the last will & testament of Leonard Eggleston  
of which the foregoing is a true copy was duly proved in open Court by the oaths  
of Geo. G. Wilson & W. Eggleston subscribing witness thereto and ordered to be  
recorded. This is to give notice to all persons who may come into possession  
of this instrument that it is a will & testament.

Int. S. C. C. C.

I. Ephraim Shoup of the County of Stokes and State of North Carolina  
Being of sound mind and memory, but considering the uncertainty of my  
earthly existence, do make and declare this my last will and testament in  
manner and form following, that is to say, first that my executors  
after named shall provide for my body a decent and suitable burial, according to the  
wishes of my relatives and friends, and pay all funeral expenses together with my last  
will however to whomsoever owing, out of the money that may justly come into  
his hands as part of my estate. Item It is my will and desire that my  
beloved wife Salome and my children shall live on and occupy all that tract  
of land hereon I now live, during her natural life or so long as she may  
remain my widow, and after my son Eugene Samuel shall have attained the  
age of twenty one years I give & devise unto him the said tract of land to have  
and to hold unto him in fee simple forever, which he is to take at a price  
valued at by the executors chosen by my executors, after my son shall  
have attained the age of twenty one years, and he shall support my said wife out  
of the land during her natural life or so long as she shall remain my  
widow, the State pays to the other two of my children Horina Belasco  
& ~~Horina~~ & Larina Belasco. Each one fourth part of the valuation  
plus one fourth part to my said wife, but in case my said son  
Eugene dies without issue, should not accept the land at the valuation  
then my executors shall see the same at public sale to the  
highest bidder on a credit of twelve months and shall divide the  
proceeds of such sale equally among my three children Horina,  
Rubia Eugene Samuel & ~~Belasco~~ Belasco and my beloved wife Salome  
share and share alike. Item I give and bequeath unto my said  
wife Salome during her natural life all such of my personal  
property of which I may be possessed of at my death as she may  
wish to keep, and the balance of what she may not need, my  
executor shall dispose of either at public or private sale.