

**State of North-Carolina,**  
**Mecklenburg COUNTY,**

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That *Wm. Gaze  
Alexander, Jr., Masterm'r D. Administrator*

are held and firmly bound unto the State of North-Carolina, in the sum of ~~One~~  
*Three-hundred* dollars, current money, to be paid to the said State; to the which payment well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents. Sealed with our seals, and dated this *8<sup>th</sup>* day of *May* A.D. 1856.

*The Condition of the above Obligation is such, That if the above bounden*

*Wm. Alexander*

administrator of all and singular the goods and chattels, rights and credits of *Barannah Shelby* deceased, do make or cause to be made, a true and perfect inventory of all and singular the goods and chattels, rights and credits of the deceased, which have or shall come to the hands, knowledge, or possession of the said

*Wm. Alexander*

or into the hands or possession of any person or persons for *Time* and the same so made, do exhibit, or cause to be exhibited into *Mecklenburg County Court*, within the time prescribed by law, after the date of these presents: And the same goods, chattels and credits, and all other the goods, chattels and credits of the deceased, at the time of his death, or which at any time hereafter shall come into the hands or possession of the said *Wm. Alexander*

or into the hands or possession of any other person or persons for *Time* do well and truly administer according to law; and further do make, or cause to be made, a true and just account of *this* said administration, agreeably to law, after the date of these presents: and all the rest and residue of the said goods, chattels and credits, which shall be found remaining upon the said administrator's account, (the same being first allowed by the Governor and Council, Superior or County Court) shall deliver and pay unto such person or persons, respectively, as the same shall become due, pursuant to the true intent and meaning of the act in that case made and provided. And if it shall appear that any Will or Testament was made by the deceased, and the executor or executors hereinabove do exhibit the same in Court, making request to have it allowed and approved of accordingly, if the said *Wm. Alexander*

above bounden being therewith required, do render and deliver the said letters on administration, (approbation of such Testament being first had and made in the said Court) then this obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

SIGNED, SEALED AND DELIVERED,  
 IN THE PRESENCE OF

*J. M. Braxham*

*Wm. Alexander Jr.  
M. D. Johnstone*