

That Jane Blackwood, late of Said County, is dead. Having first
Made and published her last Will & Testament, And that
John W. Blackwood & James M. Blackwood are the Executors
Named therein. - Further, that the property of the Said
Jane Blackwood Consisting of seventy two Acres of land.
House-hold & Kitchen furniture is worth about \$500.⁰⁰
So far as can be ascertained at the date of this Application:
And that Ann Blackwood, an Affiant James M. Blackwood
Ann Blackwood now dead. Affiant resides in Gaston County &
of full age. are the parties entitled under said Will to the said property.
J. M. Blackwood
Sworn to and Subscribed before me, the 6th day of August, 1887
J. B. White. Clerk Superior Court.

- I, Jane Blackwood in the County of Gaston and State of
North Carolina. being of Sound Mind and Memory and Considering
the uncertainty of this frail and transitory life. do make, publish and
declare this to be my last Will & Testament as follows:
- 1st I give and bequeath to my Sister Ann Blackwood all of
my Land during the term of her natural life. And
after her death to my Nephew James M. Blackwood.
 2. I give and bequeath to my Sister Ann Blackwood the remainder
of my property Consisting of Horses, Mules, Cattle, Hogs, Sheep - -

House hold and Kitchen Furniture - Wearing Apparel and all the rest and residue of my Property After the Payment of Just debts during the term of her Natural life. After her death to my Nephew James M. Blackwood.

I hereby Appoint my Nephews John M. Blackwood and James M. Blackwood Executors of this my last Will and Testament. Whereof I have hereunto set my hand Seal. And declare this to be my Last Will and Testament. in presence the witnesses. this twenty eighth day of April One thousand eight hundred and Sixty three.

John M. Creedy
J. J. Gamble

Jane ^{her} Blackwood (Seal)

State of North Carolina ss In the Superior Court.
Gaston County

A paper writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Jane Blackwood deceased, is exhibited before me. The undersigned, Clerk of the Superior Court for said County, by James M. Blackwood one of the executors therein mentioned, and the due execution thereof by the said Jane Blackwood is proved by the oath and examination of John M. Creedy and J. J. Gamble the subscribing witnesses thereto; who being duly sworn, doth depose and say, and each for himself doth depose and say that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown him purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Jane Blackwood that the said Jane Blackwood is dead.

deponent further saith that he is a subscribing witness to the paper-writing now
shown him purporting to be the last Will & Testament of Jane Blackwood
that the said Jane Blackwood, in the presence of this deponent,
subscribed her name at the end of said paper-writing. NOW shown as
aforesaid. And which bears date of the 28th day of April 1873.
And the deponent further saith, That the said Jane Blackwood the
testatrix aforesaid, did at the time of subscribing her name as aforesaid.
declare the said paper-writing so subscribed by her and exhibited to be her
Last Will & Testament. And this deponent did thereupon subscribe
his name at the end of said Will as an attesting witness thereto.
And at the request of her in the presence of the said testatrix.
And this deponent further saith, That at the said time when
the said testatrix subscribed her name to the said last will aforesaid,
And at the time of deponent's subscribing his name as an attesting
Witness thereto, as aforesaid, the said Jane Blackwood was of sound
mind & memory, of full age to execute a Will. And was not under
any restraint to the knowledge, information or belief of this deponent;
And further these deponents say not.

John McCready Seal
J. Gamble Seal

Severally sworn & subscribed, this 6th day of August 1889
before me. J. B. White, Clerk Superior Court

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 In the Matter of the Last Will }
 of James Blackwood }

It Appearing to the Court by the Oath and examination of John M. Creed and J. J. Gamble the Subscribing Witnesses that the paper writing propounded by the Executor therein named, is the last Will and Testament of James Blackwood. And that the same was duly executed by said James Blackwood in presence of said Witnesses and that at the time of signing the same the said James Blackwood was of sound mind.

It is therefore adjudged that the said paper writing be admitted to probate as the last Will and Testament of the said James Blackwood. And the Executor therein named qualify as such.

This 6th day of August 1889.

J. B. White. Clerk Superior Court.

State of North Carolina }
 Gaston County }

In the Matter of the Last Will } Before J. B. White.
 of W. R. Will. }

Clerk Superior Court.

W. R. Will being duly sworn doth say:

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Gaston County

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of W. R. Will.

Clerk Superior Court.

W. J. & J. W. Will being duly sworn, doth say:
That W. R. Will late of said County, is dead, having first
made and published his last Will & Testament, and that Affiants
are the Executors named therein.
Further, that the property of the said W. R. Will consisting
of Real and personal estate is worth about \$500.⁰⁰ So far
as can be ascertained at the date of this Application;
And that Sarah L. Will widow of said Testator, and
Laura J. Will, W. J. Will & J. W. Will, Mary L. Stroup,
all of full age, residents of Gaston County, N. C. and
A. E. Barnett of full age, of York County S. C. are the
parties entitled under said Will to the said property.

J. W. Will
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Sworn to and subscribed before me, the 15th day of August 1889,
J. B. White Clerk
Superior Court.