

State of North Carolina
Macon County

I Sarah L. Lang
of Smiths Bridge Township Macon Co.
N.C., being aware of the uncertainty
of life, but of sound mind ^{and} memory
do make ^{and} declare this to be my last
Will ^{and} testament, hereby revoking all
former Wills.

I give bequeath ^{and} devise my estate real ^{and} per-
sonal, in the manner following, that is
to say,

I give ^{and} devise unto S. J. C. Morris for work
^{and} labor done ^{and} waiting on me up to
the present date, November 25th 1877, as well
as my husband during his lifetime ^{and} for
the further consideration that he is to stay
with me ^{and} work for me the balance of my
life time, for which service I do give ^{and}
devise unto him * all of my lands
bought of M. L. Kelly on which I now
live, together with all my household
furniture, ready money, solvent Credits goods
^{and} Chattes ^{and} all other parts of my real ^{and}
personal estate ^{and} effects whatsoever and
wheresoever, subject only to the payment of
my just debts, funeral expenses ^{and} the
charge of proving ^{and} registering this my
Will, to use as he may direct during
his lifetime at which time, I desire
^{and} direct that said real ^{and} personal property
shall be sold to the highest bidder, first
giving thirty days notice as the law
directs ^{and} the proceeds of said sale to be
given to my niece Miss Cora Carpenter
daughter of Abram D. L. & ^{and} Miss L.

and give my children my land & share
I have in the manner following, that is
to say,

I give and devise unto J. J. C. Norris for work
and labor done and waiting on me up to
the present date, November 25th 1897, as well
as my husband during his lifetime and for
the further consideration that he is to stay
with me and work for me the balance of my
life time for which service I do give and
during unto him & all of my lands
bought of M. L. Kelly on which I now
live together with all my household
furniture, ready money, patent credits, goods
and chattels and all other parts of my real and
personal estate and effects whatsoever and
wheresoever, subject only to the payment of
my just debts, funeral expenses and the
charge of proving and registering the my
Will; to use as he may direct during
his lifetime at which time, I desire
and direct that said real and personal property
shall be sold to the highest bidder, first
giving thirty days notice as the law
directs and the proceeds of said sale to be
given to my niece Miss Cora Carpenter
daughter of Henry Carpenter and Mary L.
Carpenter or her heirs and assigns.
Furthermore, I do appoint my niece above
named, Miss Cora Carpenter, executrix of
this my last Will and testament.
In witness whereof I have hereunto
signed and sealed this instrument on the 25th
day of November 1897.

Sarah L. Lang

The said Sarah L. Lang at said place on
said day signed and sealed this instrument and we
at her request and in her presence and in the
presence of each other have hereunto written
our names as subscribing witnesses.

John G. Jolly 
J. R. Pendergast 

North Carolina } ss. In the Superior Court.
Macon County }

A paper purporting to be
the last Will and Testament of Sarah L. Lang
deceased, is exhibited before me the undersigned
Clerk of the Superior Court for said County, by
Miss Cora Carpenter the Executrix therein men-
tioned, and the due execution thereof by the
said Sarah L. Lang by the oath and Examination
of John G. Jolly and J. R. Pendergast the
subscribing witnesses thereto, who being
duly sworn doth depose and say and each
for himself 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 Sarah L.
Lang that the said Sarah L. Lang
in the presence of this deponent subscribed
her name at the end of said paper-
writing which is now shown as aforesaid
and which bears date of the 25th day of Nov.
1897 and the deponent further swears that
the said Sarah L. Lang the testatrix
aforesaid did at the time of subscribing
her name as aforesaid declare the said
paper writing to be subscribed by her and

North Carolina } ss. In the Superior Court.
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A paper purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Sarah L. Lang deceased, is exhibited before me the undersigned Clerk of the Superior Court for said County, by Miss Cora Carpenter the Executrix therein mentioned, and the due execution thereof by the said Sarah L. Lang by the oath of Examiners of John G. Jolly and J. R. Pendegast the subscribing Witnesses thereto, who being duly sworn doth depose and say each for himself depose and swear that he is a subscribing Witness to the paper writing now shown him purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Sarah L. Lang, that the said Sarah L. Lang in the presence of this deponent subscribed her name at the end of said paper-writing which is now shown as aforesaid and which bears date of the 25th day of Nov. 1897, and the deponent further swears that the said Sarah L. Lang the testatrix aforesaid did at the time of subscribing her name as aforesaid declare the said paper-writing to be subscribed by her and acknowledged to be her last Will and Testament and this deponent did thereupon subscribe his name at the end of said Will as an attesting Witness thereto and at the request & in the presence of said testatrix, and this deponent further swears that at the said time when the said

testator subscribed his name to the said last will as aforesaid ^{and} at the time of the defendant subscribing his name as an attesting witness thereto as aforesaid, the said Sarah L. Lang was of sound mind ^{and} memory, of full age to execute a will ^{and} was not under any restraint to the knowledge information or belief of this defendant, and further these defendants say ^{and}

John G. Jolly
J. R. Peckergrove.

Specially sworn ^{and} subscribed, this 20th day of Feb 1899. before me
Lee Crawford
Clerk Superior Court.

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It is therefore considered ^{and} adjudged by the Court that the said paper ^{and} writing ^{and} every part thereof is the last Will ^{and} Testament of Sarah L. Lang deceased. Let the said will together with the probate be recorded ^{and} filed. This 20th day of Feb 1899.

Lee Crawford
Clerk Superior Court.