

North Carolina, Washington County,

I, A. H. Spear, of the aforesaid County and State, being of sound mind, but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence do make and declare this my last will and testament:

First. My executors, hereinafter named, shall give my body a decent burial, suitable to the wishes of my friends and relatives, and pay all funeral expenses, together with all my just debts out of the first money which may come into his hands belonging to my estate.

Second. I give and bequeath to my daughter, Annie Spear (\$500.00) Five Hundred Dollars in money.

Third. I give and bequeath to my beloved wife, Tillie Spear (\$500.00) Five Hundred Dollars in money.

Fourth. I give and bequeath to my daughter, Rose Spear (\$500.00) Five Hundred Dollars in money.

Fifth. I give and bequeath to my son, Ernest Spear the balance of my money after paying the above mentioned devise and legacies, also all my chattel property to sell or keep, or to make any disposition of that he may choose.

Sixth. And whereas my daughter, Rose Spear is a minor of the age of about 14 years, and will not be of the full age of twenty-one until the 2 day of Nov. 1941. Now therefore my will and desire is that my son Ernest Spear, be, and he is hereby, constituted and appointed guardian of the said Rose Spear, to care without bond, to have and to hold the custody of her estate, preferably to be placed in The Branch Banking & Trust Co. of Plymouth, N.C. until the said Rose Spear shall arrive at the age of twenty-one years, using such amounts as may be necessary to keep her in school. All her money to be deposited in a savings account.

Seventh. I hereby constitute and appoint my son Ernest Spear my lawful executor to all intents and purposes, to execute this my last will and testament, according to the true intent and meaning of the same, and every part and clause thereof, hereby revoking and declaring utterly void all other wills and testaments by me heretofore made. I desire that no bond shall be required of my son Ernest Spear, as executor of this will.

In witness whereof, I, the said A. H. Spear, do hereunto set my hand and seal, this 18th day of February 1934.

A. H. Spear, Seal

*[Handwritten signature]*

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the said A. H. Spear to be his last will and testament in the presence of us, who, at his request and in his presence, and in the presence of each other, do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto.

J. C. Gaffin, Witness.  
H. E. Spruill, Witness.

State of North Carolina, } In the Superior Court,  
Washington County, } Before the Clerk.

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of A. H. Spear, deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned Clerk of the Superior Court for said County by Ernest Spear the executor therein mentioned, and the due execution thereof by the said A. H. Spear is proved by the oath and examination of J. C. Gaffin and H. E. Spruill the subscribing witnesses thereto, who, being duly sworn, do swear and say, and each for himself deposes and avers, that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown him purporting to be the last will and testament of A. H. Spear, that the said A. H. Spear, in the presence of this defendant, subscribed his name at the end of said paper writing now shown as aforesaid, and which bears date of the 18th day of February 1934.

And the defendant further saith that the said A. H. Spear, the testator aforesaid did, at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid, before the said paper writing so subscribed by him and exhibited to him his last will and testament, and this defendant did therefore subscribe his name at the end of said will as an attesting witness thereto, and at the request and in the presence of the said testator. And that this defendant further saith 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's subscribing his name as attesting witness thereto, as aforesaid, the said A. H. Spear 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 not.

J. C. Gaffin  
H. E. Spruill.

Sincerely sworn and subscribed this 21st day of May 1934, before me,

O. W. Tansor,

Clerk Superior Court,

North Carolina, Washington County, - in the Superior Court,

It is therefore considered and adjudged by the Court that the said paper writing, and every part thereof, is the last will and testament of A. H. Spear, deceased and the same, with the foregoing examination and this certificate, are ordered to be recorded and filed.

This 21 day of May, 1934.

O. W. Tansor,

Clerk Superior Court,

Feb. 7, 1934.

I will & Bequeath to my wife Sarah Chesser, all my Chattel Property and Five Hundred Dollars \$500.00 in cash.

I will to my Grand Son, L.H. Chesser, one hundred dollars in cash.

And after my Indebtedness & Funeral expenses are paid the remainder of my estate to be Equally Divided between my four living children Ada Skiles, Captha Jackson, Miles Thomas, James H. Chesser after each one pays their note with Interest.

If any one of my Heirs breaks or attempts to break my will he shall have no part in it not even to one cent.

J. R. Chesser to be Executor without bond.

This 7 day Feb. 1934, my Hand & seal

H. G. Chesser (Seal)

J. R. Chesser, (Executor)

R. S. Sidderson (witness)

Mrs. L. H. Skiles (witness)

Seal of North Carolina } in the Superior Court,  
Washington County } Before the Clerk.

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of H. G. Chesser, deceased is exhibited before me, the undersigned, clerk of the Superior Court for said County by J. R. Chesser, the executor herein mentioned, and the due execution thereof by the said H. G. Chesser is proved by the oath and examination of R. S. Sidderson and Mrs. L. H. Skiles, the subscribing witnesses thereto who, being duly sworn, do depose and say, and each for himself deports and saith, that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown him, purporting to be the last will and testament of H. G. Chesser, that the said H. G. Chesser, in the presence of this defendant, subscribed his name at the end of said paper writing now shown as aforesaid, and which bears date of the 7th day of Feb., 1934,

And the defendant further saith that the said H. G. Chesser, the testator aforesaid, did at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid, declare the said paper writing so subscribed by him and exhibited, to be his last will and testament and the defendant did thereupon subscribe his name at the end of said will as an attesting witness thereto and at the request and in the presence of

the said testator. And this defendant further saith 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's subscribing his name as attesting witness thereto, as aforesaid, the said H. G. Chesser 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 not,

R. S. Sidderson

Mrs. L. H. Skiles

Swearingly sworn and subscribed this 21st day of July, 1934, before me,

C. D. W. Tinslow,

Clerk Superior Court.

North Carolina,  
Washington County } in the Superior Court.

It is therefore considered and adjudged by the Court that the said paper writing and every part thereof, is the last will and testament of H. G. Chesser, deceased, and the same, with the foregoing examination and this certificate, are ordered to be recorded and filed.

This 21st day of July, 1934,

C. D. W. Tinslow,

Clerk Superior Court,