

Endorsed Acknowledged, File No. 116.

Copy of the Will of J. E. Payson Reese.

In the Name of God Amen.

I, J. E. Payson, Reese of Richmond, Va., being of sound mind and disposing memory, but recognizing the uncertainty of human life, do make and declare this my last will and testament, hereby revoking all other wills, and codicils heretofore made by me.

Item 1. I direct that my body be buried in accordance with my latest wish and condition in life, but with as little cost as may be consistent therewith and that a suitable tombstone, be placed at my grave to be selected by my executor herein after named.

Item 2^d I direct that all my just debts be paid.

Item 3. I devise to my beloved Wife Kate, nee Reese, the house and lot which I now occupy at 408 1/2 N. 8th Street Richmond Va for her life and after her death, I devise the said house and lot to my children to be equally divided between them.

Item 4. I devise and bequeth to my said wife Hester M. Pence
all the rest and residue of my estate both real and personal in fee
simple. The property which I devise and bequeth in this Item 4
includes the following: 2 lots about eighty (80) feet front on the
Letchum Plain Henrico Co., Va. Also two-thirds interest in
the business of E. P. Pence & Co. 602 E. Marshall Street -
Richmond Va including the stock fixtures, accounts receivable
due to said business; also the entire ownership of Dural &
Harris House Tonic; also the entire ownership in the Life In-
surance Policy No 16407 in the National Life Association of
Hartford Conn; also the shares of stock in the Old Dominion B-
L Association Richmond Va.; for value at maturity \$1000.00;
also shares of the Capital Stock of the B. F. Johnson Pub-
lishing Co. Also debts due me by the firm of E. P. Pence &
Co. Richmond Va. and all other persons, also house
hold kitchen furniture, wearing linen stock, &c.
I do hereby modify Item 1. of this will in the following

as to leave it to my said Executors to say whether or not
a tombstone shall be placed at my grave.

Item 6. I hereby nominate and appoint my said wife
Hester M. Beene, as the Executor of this my last will
and Testament, and direct that no security be required of her
and that inventory or appraisement be made of my estate.
Witness my hand this 21st day of May 1898
E. P. Beene (Real)

Signed, Published and declared by E. Payson Beene as
for his last will and testament in the presence of us who
who on his presence, at his request and in the presence
of one another have hereto subscribed our names as
Witnesses this 21st day of May 1898.

W. J. Offenhuisen,

J. W. Winfree.

Virginia.

In the Chancery Court of the City of Richmond.

The 15th day of June, 1899.

A paper writing bearing the date the 20th day of May 1898 purporting to be the last will and Testament of E. Payson Beane deceased late of this City was this day produced to the Court for proof and was fully proved by the oaths of W. T. Ophensheimer and J. M. Winfree the subscribing witnesses thereto.

Thereupon the said paper writing is established and ordered to be recorded as and for the true last will and Testament of said E. Payson Beane deceased.

And on motion of Hester M. Beane the only executrix named in said Will she was permitted by the Court to qualify as such thereupon she made oath as the law directs, and entered into and acknowledged a bond as such executrix with two good and sufficient sureties to the effect that she would faithfully execute the duties of said office to the satisfaction of the Court and the law.

not according to law, but without security. The said Will directing that none should be required of her. And certificate is granted that said Master M. Bence for obtaining a probate of the said Will in due form.

Teste:

Chas. O. Saville Clerk.

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Teste.

Chas. O. Saville Clerk.