

IN THE NAME OF GOD, AMEN:

I, John A. Butler, of Nansemond County, Virginia, being of sound mind and memory do hereby make, publish and declare this my last will and testament as follows:

First: After my death I wish my body given a decent christian burial, and all my just debts, if any I owe, and funeral expenses to be paid out of ~~my~~ any estate I may leave.

Second: I give to my nephew Hersey Stephenson, the sum of ~~200.00~~ \$200.00; I give to my niece Cora Capps the sum of \$200.00; I give to my brother J. T. Burler the sum of \$50.00; I give to Sarah A. Bennet, the sum of \$50.00; these four legacies to be paid out of any estate I may leave.

Third: I give to my sister, Sophrania Stephenson, for and during the term of her natural life, all the real estate of which I may die seized and possessed, wherever the same may be located, and all of remainder of my personal and chattel property. All of this she is to hold and have as long as she lives, and after her death the remainder in said real estate, and of said chattel property shall pass and become the property of Elwood Stephenson as I hereby give said remainder in and of said property to him, But with this proviso, to-wit: That if the said Elwood Stephenson should die without heirs of his body, that is to say if he should die without leaving any children, or grandchildren, then and in that event the remainder of said estate in his hands and under his control at the time of his death shall be divided equally among all my heirs at law.

Witness my signature and seal this 29th day of April, 1912.

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John A. x Butler (Seal)  
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Signed, sealed, published and declared by John A. Butler 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 have subscribed our names as witnesses hereto.

William Q. Peele

VIRGINIA:

Julius T. Rawles.

In the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Nansemond County the 10th day of August, 1917-

The last will and testament of John A. Butler (late of this County) deceased, was this day produced before the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Nansemond County and proved according to law by the oaths of William Q. Peele and Julius T. Rawles, the two subscribing witnesses thereto, and is ordered to be recorded.

On motion of Elwood Stephenson, he is appointed Executor of the estate of said John A. Butler, deceased, and together with W. A. Butler (the Clerk being satisfied as to his sufficiency) entered into and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of Six Hundred Dollars, conditioned and payable according to law, which bond is ordered to be recorded.

Certificate is granted him, the said Elwood Stephenson for obtaining letters of administration of the estate of said John A. Butler, deceased, in due form.

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Teste: G. E. Bunting, Clerk,

By Kate P. Bell, D. C.

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I, John T. Harrell, of Nansemond County, Virginia, being of sound mind, do hereby make

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