

I, John W. Ballard, of Churchland, Norfolk County, Virginia, do hereby make and declare this to be my last will and testament, hereby revoking all other wills by me at any time made.

First: I desire all my just debts to be paid if I shall owe any at my death.

Second: I give, devise, and bequeath all my ^{of} estate whereof I shall die seized, possessed or entitled, of every kind, character and description, whether real, personal or mixed, and wheresoever situate, unto my wife Effie H. Ballard, for and during the term of her natural life. I intend the provision in this paragraph, and elsewhere herein made, for my wife, to be in lieu of her dower interest in my real estate and of her distributive share in my personal estate.

Third: Upon the death of my said wife, Effie H. Ballard, I give, devise and bequeath all of my estate, whether real, personal or mixed, of every kind, character and description, and wheresoever situate, absolutely and in fee simple, unto my children living at the time of the death of my said wife Effie H. Ballard, share and share alike, provided that should any or either of my children die before my said wife leaving lawful issue, her surviving, then the issue of any such deceased child shall receive what the parent would have received had the parent lived.

Fourth: During the life of my wife, Effie H. Ballard, I direct my executrix and trustee hereinafter named to hold, manage, invest and care for my estate and pay over to my said wife from time to time the net income or interest therefrom until her death. I further authorize my executrix and trustee in her discretion from time to time to use or pay out of the principal of such estate whatever sum or sums may in her judgement seem necessary for the proper education, maintenance, support or otherwise for the benefit of my said children or either of them, or of the issue of any deceased child.

Fifth: I appoint my said wife, Effie H. Ballard, sole executrix of this my last will and testament, and trustee of my estate, and having perfect confidence in her judgment and integrity I request that she be allowed to qualify as such executrix and trustee without security.

I give to my said executrix and trustee full and complete power to sell and dispose of any or all of my real estate or personal property at public auction or private sale, at such time and on such terms and conditions as she shall deem expedient and to execute, as knowledge and deliver all proper writings deeds of conveyance and transfers therefor and thereof; to continue any or all of my property invested as it is at the time of my death; to convert any or all of my property from one kind into another, from time to time as she may think best; to lend out money on what she deems proper security; to buy stocks and bonds that in her opinion are good and safe, or in any way to handle my property as will in her opinion be for the best interest of my estate.

In Testimony Whereof I hereunto set my hand and affix my seal to this my last will and testament, having first written my name on the margin of each page for greater safety this 5th day of April, 1919.

John W. Ballard, (SEAL)
Signed, published and declared as and for his last will and testament

Copy of
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Signed, published and declared as and for his last will and testament by the testator, John W. Ballard, in our presence together; and we in his presence and in the presence of each other, and at his request, have hereunto set our hands as attesting witnesses this 5th day of April, 1919.

Virginia Hathaway,
J. E. Dennis, Jr.,
J. S. Lawrence,

Virginia;

In the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Norfolk County, on the 1st day of August, 1919.

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of John W. Ballard, deceased, late of Norfolk County was this day produced in office by Effie H. Ballard duly proved by the oaths of J. E. Dennis Jr., and J. S. Lawrence, the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded, as the last will and testament of the said John W. Ballard, deceased.

And on the motion of Effie H. Ballard, the executrix and trustee named in the said Will, who made oath as required by law entered into and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of Four Hundred thousand (\$400,000) Dollars, without surety, the will directing that none be given, which said bond being acknowledged being acknowledged by the obligor therein is ordered to be recorded, certificate is granted the said Effie H. Ballard for obtaining probate of said will in due form.

Teste: G. Tayloe Gwathmey, Clerk.

A Copy:

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By, E. P. Stephenson, D. C.

VIRGINIA:

In the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Nansemond County, the 9th day of August, 1919.

A duly authenticated copy of the Will of John W. Ballard, with the certificate of probate, of said will in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Norfolk County, Portsmouth, Va., on the last day of August, 1919, was this day produced before the Clerk of this Court and ordered to be recorded.

Teste: G. E. Huntington, Clerk.

By, Ruby B. Benton, D. C.

Holland, Va,
April 15th, 1919.

LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF JOSEPH FRANK HOLLAND