

WILL OF MRS A.E. TAYLOR.

North Carolina,
Wilson County.

Whereas, I, A.E. Taylor, residing in the town of Wilson, State and County aforesaid, desiring to make an equal distribution of my estate in the event of my death therefore I do hereby make, declare, ordain and publish this my last will and testament, in the words and figures as follows, to-wit:

Item 1st. I wish my Executor hereinafter named, out of the first money which shall come into his hands from my estate, to pay all my just debts, and all proper and legal charges against my estate.

Item 2nd. I wish and direct my Executor to deduct from the share and portion of my estate, which under the terms and provisions of this my last will shall be due to either of my children all amounts which I have heretofore advanced and which I may hereafter advance to either of my said children. In ascertaining the amount so advanced, I wish my said children charged with any sums which I may have paid for each child, or the husband of any child on account of any note or bond to which I may be or may become surety or upon which I may be bound as surety at the time of my death with interest which may have accrued thereupon at the date of the thereof. My true intent and purpose being to make an equal distribution of my estate between my children.

Item 3rd. I give to each of my children, share and share alike, subject to such advances I have made or may hereafter make to them as aforesaid, all my estate, real and personal of every kind and character of which I may die seized and possessed, to-wit:

Cora Smith, Frank Taylor, Anna D. Taylor, William R. Taylor, Mildred Taylor and Albert H. Taylor, to them and their assigns and heirs forever.

Item 4th. IF at the time of my death the education of either of my infant children, shall not have been completed in such a manner as their Guardian may deem proper and the costs and expenses thereof, including board to be paid out of my estate. And I hereby charge the payment thereof upon my estate and direct my Executor to retain an amount sufficient therefor and to pay the same to the Guardian of such child or children. Said amount shall not be charges to such child or children as advancement.

Item 5th. I hereby appoint my brother C.W. Grandy, Testamentary Guardian of the person and estate of such of my children as my not be of full age at the time of my death. It is my wish that my brother shall not be required to give any bond as such Guardian.

Item 6th. I hereby nominate and appoint my brother C.W. Grandy Executor of this my last will and testament, with full power and authority to execute the provisions thereof. I hereby expressly revoke all other wills heretofore made by me.

In testimony whereof, I, the testator hereinbefore named have hereto set my hand and seal in the presence of the witnesses whose names are hereto subscribed, who in my presence and in the presence of each other and at my request, have hereto affixed their names as attesting witnesses hereto.

This the 26th day of March, 1902.

(Signed) A.E. Taylor, (SEAL)

Signed, sealed and published by the testator in our presence, who attested the same in the presence of each other and each other, and by her request.

(Signed) J.C. Hales,

(Signed) H.G. Canner,

Copy of Original Will.

North Carolina,
Granville County

In the Superior Court,
Before the Clerk.

In Re Will of Mrs A.E. Taylor.

Judge Harry G. Canner and J.C. Hales, being by me duly sworn, each for himself, each depose and say: That at the request of the late Mrs A.E. Taylor, he became a subscribing witness to the last will and testament of the said Mrs. Taylor, while she was in the town of Wilson, on or about the 26th day of March, 1902; that the paper writing now shown them which purports to be an exact verbatim copy of the said original so witnessed by them, is to the best of the knowledge and belief of H.G. Canner an exact copy of the will so witnessed by them; that said will was drawn by the affiant, Judge Canner, and that he remembers the contents of the original; that the said Mrs. A.E. Taylor, in the presence of these deponents, subscribed her name at the end of said paper-writing (copy of which is now exhibited to them as aforesaid) bearing date _____; that the said Mrs A.E. Taylor, the testatrix aforesaid, did, at the time of subscribing her name as aforesaid, declare the said paper writing as subscribed (copy of which is shown as aforesaid) to be her last will and testament, and these deponents did thereupon sign their names at the end of said will as witnesses thereto, and at the request and in the presence of said testatrix; and these deponents further say, that at the time when said testatrix subscribed her name to the last will as aforesaid (copy of which is shown as aforesaid) and at the time of these deponents subscribing their names as attesting witnesses thereto as aforesaid, the said Mrs A.E. Taylor was of sound mind and disposing memory, over twenty-one years of age and was not under any restraint to the knowledge, information and belief of these deponents.

And further deponents saith not.

H.G. Canner

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H.B. Cenner,
J.C. Hales,

Sworn to and subscribed before me this August 23rd, 1905.

J.D. Berden, C.S.C.

(SEAL)

Wilson County, N.C.

Affidavit of F.V. Lassiter,

North Carolina,
Granville County,

In the Superior Court.

Before the Clerk.

Ben V. Lassiter, of Oxford, N.C. being duly sworn, deposes and says: That he is employed at the First National Bank of Oxford, N.C.; that sometime in August, 1905, Frank and Will Taylor came to said Bank and stated to him that they desired to have a copy made of their Mother's will, the same being then in the vault of said Bank; that deponent gave the box containing same; they opened it and took said will therefrom, and requested the deponent to make a typewritten copy of the same; the deponent thereupon did make an exact copy of said will as taken from said box, and that the copy attached to the papers herein and identified by Judge H.B. Cenner as an exact copy, is the copy made by this deponent; that the insertions made with pen were made at the time said will as so copied by him, and were made so as to make the same an exact copy of the original; that said copy shown him is an exact verbatim copy, in words and figures, of the said original will of the said Mrs. A.E. Taylor, taken from the vault of said Bank.

Further this deponent saith not.

Ben. V. Lassiter.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this Sept. 4, 1905.

J.T. Britt, C.S.C.

North Carolina,
Granville County,

In the Superior Court

Before the Clerk.

In Re Will of Mrs A.E. Taylor.

Upon considering the affidavits of W.R. Taylor as to the loss of the original Will of Mrs A.E. Taylor, and of said W.R. Taylor and Ben Lassiter as to the exact verbatim copy of said original will, and of Judge Henry G. Cenner as to the verbatim copy filed in this proceeding, and of Judge Henry G. Cenner and Mr. J.C. Hales the subscribing witnesses to the original Will, and upon considering the evidence before this Court as to the return of the citation to shew cause why said copy shall not be probated as the last will and testament of the said Mrs A.E. Taylor;

It is therefore considered and adjudged that said paper-writing (the copy filed in this proceeding) and every part thereof, is the last will and testament of Mrs A.E. Taylor, deceased and the same with the said affidavit and proceedings in this cause are ordered to be recorded and filed. This September 4, 1905. J.T. Britt, C.S.C., Granville County, N.C.

North Carolina,
Granville County,

In the Superior Court,
Before the Clerk.

In the matter of the probate of the last will and testament
of Mrs A.E. Taylor, deceased.

It appearing by an inspection of the records of this Court that heretofore, to-wit, on the 4th day of September, 1905, the said will was duly proved and admitted to probate in this Court, and the same was sufficient in all respects to pass real and personal estate in the State of North Carolina; and it being made to appear to the satisfaction of the Court that the probate of said will, had as aforesaid, is not sufficient to enable it to pass real and personal estate according to the laws of some other States; and without in any way interfering with the probate of said will already had in this Court, the following proceedings are now had, and this order is entered here pretence in regard to the probate of said will that it may be sufficient to pass real and personal estate according to the requirements of the laws of other States :

A paper-writing purporting to be an exact verbatim copy of the original will of Mrs A.E. Taylor, deceased, is exhibited for probate in open Court, and it being made to appear from the affidavit of W.R. Taylor that the original will of Mrs A.E. Taylor is lost, and from the affidavits of W.R. Taylor and Ben K. Lessiter, that the said copy so exhibited is an exact verbatim copy of the said original will of Mrs A.E. Taylor, and from the affidavit of Judge Henry G. Connor that the same is an exact verbatim copy of the said original will of Mrs A.E. Taylor, and the due execution of the said original will of Mrs A.E. Taylor is proved by the oaths and examination of Judge Henry G. Connor and Mr. J.C. Pales, the subscribing witnesses to the original will, who, being prior duly sworn each for himself testified that he is a subscribing witness to the said paper-writing, a copy of which is now shown him purporting to be the last will and testament of the said Mrs A.E. Taylor, that the said Mrs A.E. Taylor in the presence of each deponent subscribed her name at the end of the said paper-writing, a copy of which is now shown him as aforesaid, and which paper-writing bearing date on the 26th day of March, 1902, and each deponent further testified that the said Mrs A.E. Taylor, the testatrix aforesaid, did at the time of subscribing her name as aforesaid, declare the said paper-writing, so subscribed by her and exhibited, to be her last will and testament, and that each deponent did thereupon subscribe his name at the end of said will as an attesting witness thereto, at the request and in the presence of said testatrix, and in the presence of each other.

And each deponent did further testify that at the time when the said testatrix subscribed her name to the said last will and testament as aforesaid, and at the time of each deponents subscribing his name as an attesting witness thereto as aforesaid, the said Mrs. A.E. Taylor 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 the deponents.

It is therefore considered and adjudged by the Court that the said paper-writing (the copy filed in this proceeding), and every part thereof is the

It is therefore considered and ordered by the Court that the said paper-writing (the copy filed in this proceeding), and every part thereof is the last will and testament of said Mrs A.E.Taylor, deceased, and the same with the said affidavits and proceedings in this cause, together with this decree, are ordered to be recorded and filed, this 12th day of May, 1906.

J.T.Britt, Clerk Superior Court.

North Carolina,
Granville County, SS.

I, J.T.Britt, Clerk of the Superior Court of Granville County, do hereby certify that the foregoing, and attached eight sheets, is a true and exact copy of the last will and testament of Mrs A.E.Taylor, deceased, with the probate thereof, as appears of record in my office.

Witness my hand and the seal of said Superior Court, at office, in Oxford, Granville County, State of North Carolina, this May 12, 1906.

J.T.Britt, Clerk Superior Court.

(SEAL)

North Carolina,
Granville County, SS.

I, Thomas J. Shaw, Judge of the Superior Courts of the 9th Judicial District of North Carolina, which said District is composed of the County of Granville and others, hereby certify that the foregoing certificate of J.T.Britt, Clerk of the Superior Court of Granville County, State of North Carolina, is in due form, and by the proper officer, and that the said J.T. Britt was, at the time he signed the said certificate, the Clerk of the Superior Court of Granville County, and that due faith and credit are due to his official acts.

This May 15th, 1906.

Thomas J. Shaw, Judge Superior Court, 9th
Judicial District of North Carolina.

North Carolina
Granville County, SS.

I, J.T.Britt, Clerk of the Superior Court of Granville County is in the 9th Judicial District of North Carolina, do hereby certify that Thomas J. Shaw, whose name is signed to the foregoing certificate, is now, and was at the time when he signed the same, to Judge of the Superior Courts of said District, duly commissioned and qualified, and that due faith and credit should be given to his official acts as such.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto signed my name and affixed the seal of the Superior Court of said County of Granville, at office, in Oxford, in said County of Granville, in said 9th Judicial District of North

(SEAL)

Carolina, this the 16th day of May, 1906.

J.T.Britt,

Clerk Superior Court of Granville County.

VIRGINIA:

In the Court of Law and Chancery of the City of Norfolk on the 25th day of May, 1906.

A duly authenticated copy of the last will and testament of Mrs A.E. Taylor, deceased, together with the certificate of the probate thereof which has been heretofore admitted to probate and recorded in the Superior Court of Granville County in the State of North Carolina, which will relates to estate in this state was this day offered for probate in this Court. And this Court presuming in the absence to the contrary, that the said Will was duly executed and admitted to probate as a will of personalty in the state of North Carolina the place of the testators domicile, and it appearing from such copy that the said will was proved in the superior Court of Granville County in the State of North Carolina before the Clerk thereof to have been so executed as to be a valid will of lands in this state by the laws thereof, it is ordered that the said copy be admitted to probate and recorded in this Court as a will of personalty and real estate in this state.

TESTE: JAMES V. TREHY, CLERK.

By, Junius A. Coleman, D.C.

A copy, Teste James V. Trehy, Clerk.

By, L.B. Roberts, D.C.

VIRGINIA:

In the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Nansemond County, the 2nd day of August, 1919.

A duly authenticated copy of the will of Mrs A.E. Taylor, with the certificate of proof of said will in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Granville County, North Carolina, on the 4th day of September, 1905, was this day produced before the Clerk of this Court and ordered to be recorded.

Teste: G. E. Bunting, Clerk,

By, RUBY V. BENTON, D.C.

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

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Lied
John W. Ballard