

W. F. Lavender's Last will and Testament.

I direct that after my demise my burial expenses, and all my just debts be paid out of my property. And the remainder of my property including personal property, bonds and real estate I bequeath to my wife Fannie B. Lavender for her to dispose of as she shall judge best for her own support and the support and education of my three children Edward B. Lavender, Maggie B. Lavender and Tyre D. Lavender until my youngest child Tyre becomes twenty one years of age at which time I direct that what of said effects remain be divided according to law, viz. for my wife to have one third and the other two thirds to be equally divided amongst my three children (aforesaid).

Given under my hand this the 16 day of May 1892

Witness

E. M. Harris

B. F. Muse

W. F. Lavender

At Roanoke County Court - May 15th 1899.

The last Will and Testament of W. F. Lavender, deceased, was produced in Court, and Thompson Elisha M. Harris, one of the subscribing witnesses thereto was sworn, who testified that the said will was signed by the said Testator in the presence of himself and B. F. Muse the other witness thereto, both being present at the same time, and that he and the said B. F. Muse, the other witness, subscribed the said will in the presence of the testator and of each other, and therefore the said will is ordered to be recorded.

A copy from the records of Court:

Test: M. Griffin, Clerk.

John W. Eller

I John W. Eller of the County of Roanoke and of the State of Virginia, being of a sound and disposing mind and making all other wills, do declare this to be my last will and testament.

First - I desire all my just debts and funeral expenses to be paid....
Secondly I give and bequeath to my son W. B. Eller my entire farm and all my interest in my estate, both real and personal including horses, cows, hogs all farming implements and household and kitchen furniture the farm contains one hundred and seventy acres more or less; it being the farm on which I now live....

I also desire that my wife Hannah W. Eller shall have a home on the farm and every thing she may need her life time

I also desire that my two children Leora and Elizabeth shall have a home on the place as long as they remain single

I also desire and request that my son W. B. Eller shall pay each of my other children namely D. H. Eller Lucy M. Bombaker nee Eller Mary W. Deaton nee Eller Virginia Alice ^(Chick?) nee Eller, D. W. Eller, B. D. Eller Leora Edna Eller Sarah Elizabeth Eller one hundred dollars each without interest two years after my decease

Given under my hand this 24 day of February 1899

Witness

James M. Matter

Neal Orndorff Deaton

John W. Eller

I hereby appoint my son to E. Ellen Executor of this my will and don't wish him to give any security.

At Roanoke County Court - May 15th 1899.

The last will and Testament of Jno W. Ellen deceased, was this day produced in Court and proved according to law by the oath of James M. Watts, one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, and thereupon the said will is ordered to be recorded as the true last will and Testament of John W. Ellen deceased.

A Copy from the records of Court.

Test: M. Griffin, Clerk.

Geo. W. Carr.

In the name of God, Amen!

I George Watson Carr of the County of Roanoke & State of Virginia, made this my last will & Testament hereby revoking all former ones.

All the surviving children of my first marriage, Mrs B B McDonald & Mrs Watts Carr have from their mother's property, estates manyfold larger than I have, I leave them only my best wishes for their prosperity, & happiness.

I devise, give & bequeath all my estate of whatever description, real, personal or mixed, & every right title or interest, of which I can lawfully dispose - to my wife Pinnie L Carr, during her life, & at her decease, to our daughter Sally Watson Carr, in fee simple.

The said Pinnie L Carr shall have power at her discretion, to sell or exchange any of the property hereby conveyed.

I hereby appoint the sd Pinnie L Carr, executrix of this my will, & direct that ~~that~~ she shall not be required to give security as such.

This is written by my own hand.

Witness my hand & seal this 22nd day of February 1894.

George Watson Carr 

Witnessed by us together, at the same time in the presence of the testator, who affixed his signature & seal - & declared the foregoing read to us, by him, to be his last will & Testament.

L. H. James

J. H. Sims

J. W. Adams

At Roanoke County Court - May 15th 1899.

The last will and Testament of George Watson Carr, deceased was this day produced in Court and proved according to law by the oath of J. H. Huff and W. Gordon Robertson, who depose that they are well acquainted with the Testator's hand writing and verily believe the said writing and the name thereto subscribed to be wholly written by the Testator's own hand.