

State of North Carolina, August 16th A.D. 1886.

Ashe County } The last will and Testament of
George Howell dec'd, Considering the uncertainty of this mortal
life, And being of sound mind and memory (Blessed be his
God for the same) To make and publish this my last will & Testament
in manner and form following that is to say,
I give and bequeath to my beloved and only son A.P. Howell all
the land which I own, and upon which I now live after my decease
I further give and devise to my eldest and only son A.P. Howell his
heirs, and assigns all that message or tenement situate lying and
being in County and State aforesaid, together with all my goods
of the whatsoever, to hold to him the said A.P. Howell his heirs &
assigns forever, And I further will that at my decease that all my
personal property shall be sold by my executor A.P. Howell, and
first all my just debts shall be paid, and the remainder shall
be equally divided between my three Daughters, to wit, Ruthy
Thomas and Ellen Snow and Rhoda Blackburn or their heirs,
and my Granddaughter Laura Ann Chambers, and I do hereby
appoint the said A.P. Howell my sole Executor of this my last
will and Testament, hereby revoking all former wills by me
made, In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal
the day and date above written, signed, sealed and published and
delivered by the above named George Howell dec'd, to be his last will
and Testament in the presence of us who have hereunto subscribed
our names as witnesses in presence of the Testator.

Alfred Barker

George Howell dec'd

Wm Neaves

J. H. Blatchen

State of North Carolina, S.S. In the Probate Court A. Paper
 Ashe County } I purporting to be the last will & Testament
of George Howell dec'd deceased is exhibited before me, the undersigned
Judge of Probate for said County by A.P. Howell the executor therein
mentioned, and the due execution thereof by the said George Howell dec'd
by the oath and examination of Alfred Barker & William Neaves then
subscribing witnesses thereto, who being duly sworn, doth depose and
say, and each for himself depose and saith, that he is a subscribing
witness to the paper writing now shown him, purporting to be the last will
and Testament of George Howell dec'd, that the said George Howell dec'd, in
the presence of this deponent, subscribed his name at the end of the said
paper writing which is now shown as aforesaid, and which bears date
of the 16th day of August 1886, and the deponent further saith, that
the said George Howell dec'd the Testator aforesaid did, at the time of
subscribing his name as aforesaid, declare the said paper writing to

subscribed by him and exhibited to be his Last Will and Testament
And this deponent did thereupon subscribe his name at the end of said
Will as an attesting witness thereto, and at the request and in the presence
of the Testator, and this deponent further saith that at the said time when the sa-
id Testator subscribed his name to the said last Will as aforesaid and at the
of deponent, subscribing his name as an attesting witness thereto, as
aforesaid the said George Howell dec'd was of sound mind & memory, of
full age to execute a will, and was not under any restraint to the knowledge
information or belief of this deponent, and further these deponents doth
not.

Alfred Barker
Wm Neaves