

State of North Carolina } ss. In the Superior Court.
Asher County,

A paper purporting to be the last will and testament of J. A. Osborne deceased, is exhibited before me the undersigned, clerk of the Superior Court for said County, by M. C. Roark, the executor therein mentioned, and the due execution thereof by the said J. A. Osborne, by the oath and examination of Charles Vannor, one of the subscribing witnesses thereto; who being duly sworn, doth depose and say that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown him, purporting to be the last will and testament of J. A. Osborne, that the said J. A. Osborne, in the presence of this deponent subscribed his name at the end of said paper writing, which is now shown as aforesaid, and which bears date of the 21st day of July 1897.

And the deponent further saith, that the said J. A. Osborne the testator aforesaid, did at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid declare the said paper writing so 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 said testator. And this deponent further saith, that at the time when the said testator subscribed his name to the said last will as aforesaid, and at the time of the deponent's subscribing his name as an attesting witness thereto, as aforesaid, the said J. A. Osborne was of sound mind and memory, of full age to make a will, and was not under any restraint, to the knowledge, information or belief of this deponent. And further these deponents say not.

Charles Vannor,

Sworn, subscribed, this 1 day
of Dec. 1902, before me

A. S. Ellis, Clerk Sup. Court
Per W. E. Johnson D.C.

State of North Carolina } ss. In the Superior Court.
Asher County,

A paper purporting to be the last will and testament of J. A. Osborne, dec'd is exhibited before me the undersigned, clerk of the Superior Court for said County, by M. C. Roark, the executor therein mentioned, and the due execution thereof by the said J. A. Osborne, by the oath and examination of Charles Vannor, one of the subscribing witnesses thereto; who being duly sworn, doth depose and say that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown him, purporting to be the last will and testament of J. A. Osborne, that the said J. A. Osborne, in the presence of this deponent subscribed his name at the end of said paper writing, which is now shown as aforesaid, and which bears date of the 21st day of July 1897.

Will of J. A. Osborne.

In the name of God, Amen, I J. A. Osborne of the County of Ashe in the State of North Carolina, being of sound mind, memory and understanding; but considering the uncertainty of this transitory life, do make and publish this my last will and testament in manner and form following to wit: I give and bequeath unto my beloved sons, Richard L. Osborne, Joseph R. Osborne, Milton Osborne, & Leon Deunt Osborne all that lot or parcel of land, described as follows. Beginning on a locust on a ridge running N. 37° W. with the ridge 36 poles to a stake in the old line, thence S 51° W. 66 poles to a stake on the bank of the branch, thence N. 40° W. 22 poles to a walnut, thence North 82° West 41 poles to a chestnut sapling on the ridge, thence N. 67° W. 24 poles to a white oak and chestnut bush the old corner, thence S. 33° E. 12 poles to a chestnut and maple, thence S. 35° E. with Thomas line 66 poles to a cucumber Riley Thomas corner, thence N. 51° E. 12 poles to a chestnut sapling, thence S. 48° E. 29 poles to a stake at the corner of the fence, thence N. 47° E. 78 poles to the beginning. To be equally divided among my four sons, respectively as above named on becoming of age. I direct that a fair valuation or appraisement be made of the above Estate by three competent and impartial men, and lastly I appoint my friend M. C. Roark to be the executor of this my last will, hereby revoking all other wills, legacies and bequests hereby revoking all others by me heretofore made, and declaring this and no other, to be my last will and testament.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal. This the 21st day of July 1897.

J. A. Osborne, (Seal)

Signed, sealed, and declared by the said testator on his last will and testament in the presence of us,
Charles Vannor, Clerk
W. E. Johnson, D.C.

Count for said County, by M. B. Roach the executor therein mentioned, and the due execution thereof by the said J. A. Osborne by the oath and examination of Lorenzo D. Osborne, one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, who being duly sworn, doth depose and say, that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown him, purporting to be the last will and testament of J. A. Osborne, that the said J. A. Osborne in the presence of this deponent subscribed his name at the end of said paper writing, which is now shown as aforesaid, and which bears date of the 21st day of July, 1897.

And the deponent further saith, that the said J. A. Osborne the testator aforesaid, did at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid declare the said paper writing so 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 said testator. And this deponent further saith that at the same time when the said testator subscribed his name to the said last Will as aforesaid, and at the time of the deponent's subscribing his name as an attesting witness thereto, as aforesaid, the said J. A. Osborne 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 this deponent. And further these deponents say not.

Lorenzo D. Osborne.
Sworn and subscribed this 2 day
of Feb'y 1903. before me,

A. S. Eller, Clerk Sup. Court.
Per W. E. Johnson, D.C.

North Carolina, ss. In the Superior Court.
(Ashe County)

It is therefore considered and adjudged by the Court that the said paper writing, and every fact thereof is the last Will and Testament of J. A. Osborne deceased. Let the said Will, together with the probate be recorded and filed.

This 2nd day of Feb'y 1903

A. S. Eller, Clerk Sup. Court.
Per W. E. Johnson, D.C.

Know all men by these presents that I Catherine Ellen & Carl having North Carolina being of sound mind and memory, but knowing the uncertainty of human life do make, publish and declare this my last Will and Testament, to wit, I for the love and natural affections I had for my son Jacob Ellen I will and devise all my goods and chattels I have at my death consisting of one horse and two cows, and all my household and kitchen furniture to him the said Jacob Ellen to have and to dispose of as he sees fit.

This 1st Feb. the 11 1903.

Attest

J. C. Roland
James M. Jones
W. E. Jones

Catherine Ellen
1903

State of North Carolina (ss. In the Superior Court,
Catawba County)

A paper purporting to be the last will and testament of Catherine Ellen, deceased, is exhibited before me, and under signed, before me the Superior Court for said County by Jacob Ellen son of the said Catherine Ellen, and the deponent thereof by the said Catherine Ellen, by the oath and examination of J. C. Roland, James M. Jones and W. E. Jones the subscribing witnesses thereto, who being duly sworn doth depose and say and each for his respective deponent and saith that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing, now shown him purporting to be the last will and testament of Catherine Ellen, that the said Catherine Ellen in the presence of this deponent subscribed his name by making his mark at the end of said paper writing which is now shown as aforesaid, and which bears date of the 11th day of Feb'y 1903. And the deponent further saith, that the said Catherine Ellen, the testator aforesaid, did at the time of subscribing his name by making his mark as aforesaid declare the said paper writing so subscribed by her and exhibited to be her 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 said testator and this deponent further saith, that at the same time when the said testator subscribed his name by making his mark at the end of said