

North Carolina, Ashe County.
In the Superior Court.

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

This 1st day of May 1903.

A. E. Eller,

Clerk Sup. Court.

Will of Jacob Goodman, sen.

State of North Carolina, Ashe County,
April the 5th A.D. 1899.

I, Jacob Goodman, sen. Being in a very infirm state of health and sensible to my liability to sudden death at the same time being in my own apprehension of sound mind do judge it best to make and accordingly do hereby make this my last will and testament. It is my will that all my just debts and the charges of my funeral expenses be paid and discharged by my executors hereinafter named and appointed out of my estate soon as conveniently may be after my decease and I leave the charges of my funeral to the direction of my said executors. I give devise and dispose of all my estate real and personal save that shall be necessary for the payment of my just debts and funeral ~~expenses~~ charge in the following manner. I give to my beloved wife Caroline Goodman all my real and personal property her lifetime at her death it is to be my son John J. Goodman, he is to pay the four girls Nancy E. Goodman and Amanda F. Goodman and Martha M. Goodman, Mina C. Goodman twenty five dollars each and they are to have a home on the old farm as long as they stay single provided they want it. The said John J. Goodman is to take care of me and his

mother and keep us comfortably. He is to have the care of the farm and manage it as he thinks best. I have given the other boys their part. Only if the Garry mine proves to be any account my interest is to be divided equally between myself and my heirs. I appoint L. J. Goodman and Caroline Goodman my wife Executors. I publish and declare this to be my last will and testament.

Jacob Goodman sen.

North Carolina, In the Superior Court.
Ashe County, Before the Clerk.

In the matter of Jacob Goodman per. will, a paper writing is offered for probate as the last will and testament of Jacob Goodman sen. dead who died March 12, 1903. And the following evidence is offered before me in proof and support of said paper writing bearing date of April 5, 1899.

L. J. Goodman after being duly sworn says: That he is the son of Jacob Goodman, sen. and knows that he died on the 12 day of March 1903 in Ashe County North Carolina and that after his death he and his mother looked through his valuable papers and found a paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Jacob Goodman sen. in a trunk in a small wooden box, in which he kept his deeds, &c., which paper writing is now shown me and which I know to be the paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Jacob Goodman sen. dead, which he with his mother found shortly after the death of Jacob Goodman sen. among his valuable papers at his late residence in Ashe County North Carolina.

L. J. Goodman.

Searched and Subscribed before me.

This April 6, 1903.

A. E. Eller, Asl.
Per W. Johnson, D.C.

W. H. Garry, J. P. Goodman and R. H. Goodman aged respectively 60 years, 48 years, and 36 years. Who being duly sworn says and each for himself deposes and saith, that I knew Jacob Goodman sen. many years before he died

in the year 1903, and had a good deal of business with him and often saw him write and sign his name and think I know his hand writing well. And the paper writing now shown him, bearing date of April 5, 1899, purporting to be the last will and testament of Jacob Goodman deceased. I verily believe is in the hand writing of the said Jacob Goodman deceased and every part thereof is in the genuine handwriting of Jacob Goodman deceased, whose will it purports to be and the name there subscribed and attached is the genuine signature of Jacob Goodman deceased and in his own hand writing.

M. W. Gandy
J. L. Goodman
R. H. Goodman

Severally sworn to & subscribed
before me, this 6 day of
April, 1903,

A. S. Eller, C. O.
Per. J. D. Johnson, A. C.

North Carolina, In the Superior Court,
Ashe County.

It is therefore considered and adjudged by the Court that the said paper writing and every part thereof is the last will and testament of Jacob Goodman deceased. Let the said will together with the probate, be recorded and filed.

This 6 day of April, 1903.

A. S. Eller,
Clark County.

State of North Carolina, Ashe County.

I Martha Poe, of the aforesaid County and State, being of sound mind, but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence, do make and declare this my last will and testament. First, my executors hereinafter named, shall give my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my friends and relatives, and pay all my funeral expenses, together with all my just debts, out of the first money which may come into his hands belonging to my estate. Second, I will and bequeath all my estate, which my brother John Poe will to me, and everything I leave at my death, to my daughter, Callie Poe, to have and hold her and her heirs forever. I hereby appoint constitute and appoint my trusty friend, Nathaniel May, my lawful executor to all intents and purposes, to execute this my last will and testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same, and every part and clause thereof; hereby revoking and declaring utterly void all other wills and testaments by me heretofore made, in witness whereof, I the said Martha Poe do hereunto set my hand and seal this the 14th day of March, 1903.

Martha ^{her} Poe Seal.

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the said Martha Poe, to be her last will and testament in the presence of us, who, at her request and in her presence, do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto.

Nathaniel May,
M. J. Combs

State of North Carolina, Ashe County, this 8th day of April, 1903.

A paper purporting to be the last will and testament of Martha Poe, deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned Clerk of the Superior Court for said County, by Nathaniel May, the person therein mentioned, and the due execution thereof by the said Martha Poe, by the oath and examination of Nathaniel May and M. J. Combs the subscribing witnesses thereto; Who being duly sworn both depon and say, and each for himself deposes & saith