

is exhibited before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in the Superior Court for Granville County by  
Opie Taylor, the testator therein mentioned, and  
as witness to the execution thereof by the said William Taylor  
by the oaths and examination of Opie Sanders and  
Winnie M. Hodges on the subscribing witness  
thereunto; who being duly sworn, doth depose and  
say, and declare for herself deponent saith  
that she is a subscribing witness to the paper writing  
now shown her purporting to be the last will  
and testament of William Taylor that the said  
William Taylor in the presence of this deponent  
subscribed her name at the end of said paper  
writing which is now shown as aforesaid and  
which bears date of the 6th day of April 1900.

And the deponent further saith, that the said  
William Taylor the testator aforesaid die at the  
time of subscribing his name as aforesaid declared  
the said paper writing to be his last will and testament  
and this deponent die thereupon subscriber his name  
at the end of said will as an attesting witness  
thereunto at the time of his subscribing the same  
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 and  
aforesaid at the time of the deponents sub  
scribing his name as an attesting witness thereto,  
as aforesaid, the said William Taylor was of sound  
mind and memory of full age to execute a will  
and was not under any restraint to the general  
information or belief of this deponent.  
And further this deponent sayeth,

Opie Sanders  
Winnie M. Hodges

Deponent further saith  
Subscribed & this 4th day of June 1900, by whom  
A. E. Eller

Notary Public in said  
County of Granville, North Carolina.

North Carolina, in the Superior Court  
of Granville County,

It is therefore considered and agreed  
by the Court, that the said paper writing, as aforesaid  
and thereafter the said will and testament of  
William Taylor deceased. Let the said will, together  
with the probate be recorded and filed.

This 4th day of June 1900.

A. E. Eller.

Notary Public in said  
County of Granville, North Carolina.

Last Will and Testament of Jessie Ray.

Jessie Ray, of the County of Ohio and State of  
North Carolina, farrier and wagonwright, being of  
sound mind do make, publish and declare this to be my last  
will and testament, hereby revoking all former wills, by me  
at any time made. That as to my worldly estate, and  
all the property real, personal or mixed, of which I shall  
die seized and possessed or to which I should be entitled at the  
time of my decease, I direct, bequeath, and dispose thereof in  
the manner following. To wit:

First I direct my executors hereinafter made to pay my funeral  
and burial expenses, and all my just debts and liabilities  
as soon as conveniently be done after my decease.

Second I give, and bequeath to my six oldest heirs, two sons and  
four daughters by my first wife, one dollar to each one as  
they have had their part in my estate.

Third I give and bequeath to Jane my wife, and daughter Anna,  
all the land that we, and Anna may hold adjoining the  
land where I now live, and also the land adjoining the mill  
not adjoining John McConnell and others to have, and  
to hold for their separate use, as long as they shall live, and  
Jane remain my widow, at her marriage, or death it is to go  
to Anna and her bodily heirs.

Fourth I give, and bequeath to Jane my wife, and Anna my daughter,  
all the out lands and those to be sold, and the proceeds go  
for their support, and if any surplus left, it is to belong to  
my daughter Anna.

Fifth I give, and bequeath to Jane my wife, and Anna, all the  
mineral, and mine lands that I may have at my death.

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Sixth

I give and bequeath to James my wife and Anna all of my  
House hold and Kitchen furniture of all kinds - Farming tools -  
Shop tools and everything that belongs to me about timber works  
of any description at my death.

Seventh

I give and bequeath to James and Anna all debts and accounts of  
any kind that is coming to me at my death. I advise for Anna  
to have schooling, also advise for James my wife to have full  
privileges over every thing as long as she is my widow, and for her  
and Anna to live together.

Eighth

I hereby constitute and appoint my truly friends my lawful  
executors to all intents and purposes.

J. W. Goodman  
J. M. Duncan

James my wife and Anna my daughter are to be equal  
sharers in all the foregoing property described, and at James death  
it all to go to Anna & her bodily heirs.

This my last will and testament, according to the true  
intent and meaning of the same and every part and clause thereof.

In witness whereof I the said Jesse Ray do subscribe at  
my hand and seal this September 30<sup>th</sup> 1868.

Jesse Ray.

Signed sealed published and declared by the said Jesse  
Ray to be his last will and testament at the presence of us  
who at his request and in his presence do subscribe our names  
as witnesses.

J. W. Goodman  
J. M. Duncan  
J. M. Duncan.

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

A paper writing purporting to be the  
last Will and Testament of Jesse Ray deceased, is exhibited  
before me, the undersigned Clerk of the Superior Court for said  
County, by J. W. Duncan one of the executors therein mentioned  
and the law execution thereof by the said Jesse Ray by the 5<sup>th</sup> and  
examination of J. W. Duncan and J. M. Duncan the subscribing  
witnesses thereto, who being duly sworn, doth deknew and say, and each  
for himself deknew and built, that he is a subscribing witness to  
the paper writing now shown him, purporting to be the last Will and  
Testament of Jesse Ray that the said Jesse Ray in the presence  
of this defendant subscribed his name, at the end of said paper.

writing, which is now shown as aforesaid, as which bears date  
of the 30<sup>th</sup> day of Sept. 1868.

That the defendant further saith, That the said Jesse  
Ray the testator aforesaid, did at the time of subscribing his  
name as aforesaid declare the said paper writing as subscribed  
by him, and exhibited to be his last Will and Testament, and  
that defendant 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 defendant further saith,  
that at the same time when the testator subscribed his name  
to the said last Will as aforesaid, and at the time of the  
defendant subscribing his name as an attesting witness thereto,  
as aforesaid, the said Jesse Ray 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 defendant;  
And further these defendants say not.

J. W. Goodman  
J. M. Duncan

Severalis sworn and subscribed, this 7<sup>th</sup> day of July 1900,  
before me.

J. S. Eller  
Clark Superior Court.

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 part thereof,  
is the fact Will and Testament of Jesse Ray, deceased.  
Let the said will, together with the probate, be recorded & filed.  
This 7<sup>th</sup> day of July 1900.

J. S. Eller  
Clark Superior Court.