

State of North Carolina

Ashe County } March. the 5th 1902.

I John 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. My executor hereinafter named, shall give my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my beloved sister Martha who has nursed and cared for me in my afflictions. My executor shall pay my burial expenses together with my just debts this being done, I give and devise all the remainders of my estate to my beloved sister Martha Poe for and in consideration that she has nursed and cared for me in my afflictions.

I hereby authorize my executor to dispose of my property in any way he thinks best to meet the payment of my debts.

I hereby constitute and appoint my trusty friend L. N. Duvall my lawful executor to all intent and purpose to execute 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 John Poe do hereunto set my hand and seal. This 5th of March 1902.

Witness
in his presence } W. H. Lomas
and by his request } L. N. Duvall.

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} ss. In the Superior Court.

A paper purporting to be the last Will and Testament of John Poe, deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned, Clerk of the Superior Court for said County, by L. N. Duvall, the executor therein named, and the due execution thereof by the said John Poe by the oath and examination of L. N. Duvall and W. H. Lomas, the subscribing witnesses thereto: who being duly sworn, doth depose and say, and each for himself 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 John Poe, that the said John Poe, 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 5th day of March 1902.

And the deponent further saith, that the said John Poe 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 the 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 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 John Poe 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.

L. N. Duvall.
W. H. Lomas.

Severally sworn and subscribed.
this 9th day of Sept. 1902, before me.

A. S. Eller.

Clerk, Superior Court.

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} ss. 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 John Poe, deceased. Let the said Will, together with the probate, be recorded and filed.

This 9th day of Sept. 1902.

A. S. Eller,
Clerk Superior Court.