

North Carolina Ashe County
May 23rd 1877

I Joseph Zetum being weak in body
but strong in mind Now I make my
Last will and testament in the name
of God amen

Now I leave my estate to Sarah Zetum
my wife as long as she lives if she outlives
me. Now I give and bequeath to Myra
Lorance One hundred dollars to be made
out of my estate

Now I give and bequeath to my daughter
Julia Zetum One hundred dollars to be
made out of my estate

Now I give and bequeath to my daughter
Caroline Zetum One hundred dollars to
be made out of my estate

Now I give and bequeath to my daughter
Sarah Lorance all my Land that I own
on the West Side of New River with the
improvements mines and appurtenances
thereunto belonging unto it

Now I give and bequeath to my daughter
Myra Zetum all my Lands on the East
Side of New River that adjoins the said
tract with all the improvements mines
and minerals and appurtenances thereunto
belonging. My Gap Creek Land and the
balance of my estate I want equally divided
among all my children. Now I leave Elijah
Zetum and H. J. Lorance my Executors
to manage all my business after me according
to Law and my last will and testament
Hereunto set my hand and seal in the
presence of these two witnesses

Delfia Church
H. J. Lorance

Joseph Zetum

North Carolina } In Superior Court
Ashe County }

A paper writing purporting to be the Last will
and testament of Joseph Zetum dec is exhibited
before me by Elijah Zetum one of the Executors
therein mentioned and the one executing thereof
by the said Joseph Zetum by the oath and
affirmation of Delfia Church H. J. Church the
subscribing witnesses thereto. who being duly sworn
doth depose and say and each for himself depose
and sayeth that he is a subscribing witness to the
paper writing now shown him purporting to be the Last
will and testament of Joseph Zetum dec that the
said Joseph Zetum 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 23rd of May 1877

And the deponent further sayeth that the said
Joseph Zetum the testator aforesaid died 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 sayeth
that at the said time when the said testator
subscribed his name to the said last will as
aforesaid and at the time of deponent subscribing
his name as an attesting witness thereto as aforesaid
the said Joseph Zetum was of sound mind
and memory of full age to execute a will and was
not under any coercion to the best of his knowledge information
or belief of this deponent and further these deponents
sayeth not

Sworn and
subscribed this 7th day
of Oct. 1887 before me
J. M. Dinkum C. J.

Delfia Church
H. J. Church