

North Carolina
Adhe County } ss In the superior Court

A paper purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Squire Allen Yates deceased is exhibited before me the undersigned Clerk of the Superior Court for said County, by John W. Church a person interested therein, and the due execution thereof by the said Squire Allen Yates deceased by the oath and examination of John W. Church and Wilford Camel the subscribing witness thereto, who being duly sworn, doth depose and say, and each for himself depose and saith that he is a subscribing ^{witness} to the paper-writing now shown him purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Squire Allen Yates and the said Squire Allen Yates in the presence of this deponent subscribed his name at the end of the said paper-writing, which is now shown as aforesaid, and which bears date of the 19th day of March 1898, and the deponent further saith that the said Squire Allen Yates 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 Squire Allen Yates 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

John W. Church

Wilford Camel
his x mark

Generally sworn and subscribed
This 3^d day of June 1898 before me
D. Blewins Clerk
superior Court

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It is therefore considered and adjudged by the Court that the said paper-writing and entry part thereof is the last Will and Testament of Squire Allen Yates deceased. Let the said Will together with the probate be recorded and filed.
This 3^d day of June 1898

D. Blewins
Clerk Superior Court

If I should die suddenly or not in my right mind and without a suitable opportunity for having a will written in proper form I desire my entire estate disposed of in the following manner:
I have (in my right mind) given this due consideration, and I deem it the just and proper disposition to make of all that belongs to me. I want Capt. Todd with my nephews Dauphin Dougherty to take charge of all my papers, notes, mortgages &c and dispose of such in the following manner:
I bequeath \$1500 or fifteen hundred dollars to building a new Methodist Church at this place said Church to be built under the special supervision of Capt. Todd, Mrs. J. Q. Foster, Capt. John Dent, Mr. John Neal, & Rev. Bane, (or Preacher in Charge) said Church to be dedicated by Rev. James H. Weaver in memory of my deceased husband Ingram C. Laurence. His family in Iredeell Co. to be duly notified the time of dedication.
I bequeath to my present husband \$700 or seven hundred dollars - To my brother

John H. Laurence of Iredell Co \$500.00
 five hundred dollars to my sister Mrs-
 Mary Bowen of Iredell \$500.00 five hundred
 dollars and also the life size portrait of
 Mr Laurence (which I painted)

I bequeath to my niece Etta Dougherty
 my largest canvas trunk with all my
 wearing apparel and jewelry except the
 plain gold ~~lock~~ bracelet and gold
 necklace which is for Lena Hardin
 also to Etta Dougherty all my china
 and silver ware my paintings pictures
 and choice books to be equally divided
 between my niece Etta D. and Lena H.
 This all being done I want my debt
 all paid suitable head marks placed at
 the head of all my family (including my
 own) said marks to be selected by Mrs
 Effie Colvard Mrs Venie Vale & Miss Alice
 Reaver, and this being done I want the
 remainder of all I possess equally divided
 between my two nephews and my two
 nieces Etta Dougherty and Lena Hardin
 Dauphin Dougherty & Blanford O. Dougherty -
 deducting from Lena Hardin's part \$500.00
 three hundred dollars to be equally divided
 between the other three heirs Dauphin
 Blanford and Etta Dougherty. I most
 earnestly request that said Etta & one
 of her brothers come here to live & take
 care of my father - His Comfort and needs
 must be supplied by an equal contribution
 from the aforesaid Dougherty and Hardin
 heirs

The five shares I hold in the Wiley R.
 Road Signal to be given one share each
 to my nephews & nieces. The fifth share to
 be given to the support of Pastor of the
 Methodist Church at this place said share
 to be put into the hands of Rev James H. Weaver
 & to be kept on interest for that purpose if
 the amount justifies it

This the last Will &
 Testament of

Attest

N. H. Foster
 J. E. Foster

W. Etta Hall
 March 25th 1895
 Jefferson
 N.C.

State of North Carolina } ss 2nd Superior Court -
 Ashe County

A paper purporting to be the last will and Testament of
 W. Etta Hall deceased is exhibited before me the
 undersigned Clerk of the Superior Court for said County
 by J. M. Todd and Dauphin Dougherty. The execution
 therein mentioned, and the due execution thereof by
 the said W. Etta Hall by the oath and examination
 of N. H. Foster and J. E. Foster both of Jefferson and
 known to me, the subscribing witness 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
 W. Etta Hall. That the said W. Etta Hall or
 acknowledged 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 25th day of March
 1895. and the deponent further swears that the said
 W. Etta Hall, the testatrix aforesaid did at the time
 of subscribing her name 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 testatrix and this deponent
 further swears that at the said time when
 the said testatrix subscribed her 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 M. Ella Hall. 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

V. A. Foster
J. B. Foster

Severally sworn and subscribed
This 15th day of June 1895
before me.

P. Blumensack

North Carolina,

Ashe County 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 M. Ella Hall deceased. Let the
said will together with the probate be recorded
and filed, This 15th day of June 1895-

P. Blumensack, C. S. C.

on this the 27th June 1895 caveat was filed
and Bond given an same made up to
be tried at the next term of the
superior court, as to whether said
paper writing is the last will and
Testament of the said M. E. Hall

I Charles W. Cooke of county in the County of
Providence and State of Rhode Island, but now
staying at Ore Knob in the County of Ashe and State
of North Carolina do make and publish this my
last will and Testament, in manner and form
following that is to say.

First I give devise and bequeath to my wife Julia
Cooke all my property of every description wheresoever
the same may be of which I may die seised or possessed
also all my chase in action to use and dispose of
at her own pleasure during her life time if she shall
survive me and if any of the same shall be left
after supplying her needs and wishes according to her
own pleasure, then I give devise and bequeath all
the same to my sister Annie S. Cooke

Second If my wife Julia Cooke shall not survive
me, then I give devise and bequeath all my property
as above mentioned to my dear sister Annie Cooke
to use and dispose of at her own pleasure during
her life time if she shall survive me and
if any of the same shall be left at her death, then
I give devise and bequeath the same to Miss Jennie
Potter of Norwich Conn Niece of my wife Julia
Cooke aforesaid

Third If neither my wife the said Julia Cooke nor my
sister the said Annie S. Cooke shall survive
me then I give devise and bequeath all my said
property to Miss Jennie Potter of Norwich Conn
aforesaid to her and heirs and assigns forever

Fourth I hereby appoint Julia Cooke my wife sole
executrix of this my last will and Testament and
do hereby revoke all other and former wills
by me made and declare this to be my last will
and Testament, And I further request that
if my wife survives me and qualified as
executrix that no bond be required of her
In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand
at Jefferson N. Carolina

The 16th day of June A.D. 1890.

Charles W. Cooke

Signed published

and declared to be the last will
and Testament of Charles W. Cooke whose
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