

Last Will of Jely Griffitts,
North Carolina,
County of Ashe

I Jely Griffitts do make publish
and declare this to be my last will and tes-
tament that is to say

I After my death I want all my just debts and
funeral expenses paid

II I devise and bequeath all of my property of
all kind whatsoever unto my three children now
living to wit: Abigail Griffitts, Wiley Griffitts and Tom
Griffitts

III I hereby constitute and appoint my son Abigail Griffitts
executor of this my last will and testament.

quid in ours presence and witness by
at the request and in the presence of

by Griffitts. This Aug. 31st 1897

John H Carson

John C Shepherd.

Jely. ^{her} Griffitts
mark

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

A paper purporting to be the last Will and Testament
of Jely Griffitts, deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned
Clerk of the Superior Court for said County by Abigail Griffitts,
the testator therein named and the due execution there-
of by the said Jely Griffitts by the oath and examination
of H. M. Franson, was being duly sworn says,
that John H Carson, one of the subscribing witnesses thereto
is dead, and that he is acquainted with the handwriting
of the said John H Carson, having often seen
him write and sign his name and that he
verily believes the signature of John H Carson, the
subscribing witness to said will bearing date of
Aug. 31, 1897, which is now shown him, to be his
own genuine handwriting, and further this deponent
sayeth, not. H. M. Franson,

Swear to & subscribed before me
This Nov. 12, 1903.

As Eller, C.S.C.
P. W. Johnson, Jr.

State of North Carolina, In the Superior Court.
Ashe County, ¹⁸⁸⁸

A paper purporting to be the last Will and Testament of
Jely Griffitts, deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned Clerk of the
Superior Court for said County by Abigail Griffitts, the executor therein
mentioned, and the due execution thereof by the said Jely Griffitts by
the oath and examination of John C Shepherd one of the subscribing witnesses
thereto; who being duly sworn doth 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 Jely Griffitts, that the said Jely Griffitts in the presence
of the deponent subscribed her name at the end of said paper writing
by making her mark, which is now shown as aforesaid, and which
bears date of the 31 day of August 1897.

And the deponent further saith, that the said Jely Griffitts, the testator
aforesaid, at the time of subscribing her name as aforesaid by making
her mark, declare the said paper writings 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 testator. And
this deponent further saith, that at the same time when the
said testator subscribed her name to the said last Will, by making
her mark as aforesaid, and at the time of the deponents
subscribing his name as an attesting witness thereto, as
aforesaid, the said Jely Griffitts 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 the
deponent. And further this deponent saith not.

Swear & subscribed this 10 day of

Nov. 1703, before me. As Eller, Clerk Superior Court.

P. W. Johnson, Esq.

John C Shepherd

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 Jely Griffitts,
deceased. Let the said Will together with the
probate be recorded and filed.
This 14 day of Nov. 1903

As Eller,
Clerk Superior Court.