

The undersigned attorney represents that he is attorney for Lewis Wilson, and that he has in hand the Will of Lewis Wilson, Sr. which he desires to have admitted to probate, that the date of said Will is December 27, 1887, that the Will applies to real estate in said County, and was signed by said in the presence of two witnesses, to-wit: A. Ross and Fulton Ross, that A. Ross is now dead and that Fulton Ross now resides at Fitzgerald, Georgia, and that the Clerk of the Superior Court of Fitzgerald, Georgia is D.W. M. Whitley.

Wherefore, in order that the said Will might be admitted to probate request is made that a Commission issue to D. W. M. Whitley, Clerk of the Superior Court of Fitzgerald, Georgia, for the purpose of taking the deposition and examining into the execution of the Will of said Lewis Wilson.

C. Ed. Taylor.
Attorney.

State of North Carolina
County of Brunswick.

It being suggested that Fulton Ross, is now residing in Fitzgerald, Georgia, and that he is one of the witnesses of the Will of Lewis Wilson, deceased, and that it is desired that the said Will be admitted to probate, that the said Will applies to real estate in said County, and it being suggested that D.W.M. Whitley is the proper person to take the deposition of the said Ross, and therefore it is ordered that a Commission issue to D.W.M. Whitley to take the deposition and examination of Fulton Ross relation to the Will of Lewis Wilson, deceased.

This October 17, 1911.

R. S. Newton.
Clerk Superior Court.
In Probate Court.

State of North Carolina
County of Brunswick.

In Re. Will of Lewis Wilson. } Commission

To D.W.M. Whitley, Clerk of the Court.

Reporting Confidence in your ability and desiring you to be the proper person to take the deposition of Fulton Ross, a resident of Fitzgerald, Georgia, a subscribing witness to the Will of Lewis Wilson, deceased, dated December 27, 1887, and to make a careful examination of the said Will, touching the execution by said Wilson of said Will, you are hereby appointed and constituted by this Probate Court a Commissioner for the purpose of ascertaining from the said Ross his statement under oath relation to the execution of the said Will. Hence in make due return.

Witness my hand and official seal this 17th day of October 1911.

R. S. Newton.
Clerk Superior Court.

State of Georgia
County of Ben Hill
City of Fitzgerald.

In Re. Will of Lewis Wilson. } Deposition.
D. W. M. Whitley, Clerk of the Superior Court of said County, hereby certifies that by virtue of the foregoing Commission to me directed by the Clerk of the Superior Court of Brunswick County, North Carolina, that I can and do personally know and have personally known R. Fulton Ross, to me personally known to appear before me this day, and that I administered the proper oath to the said Ross, and, after being duly sworn, upon careful inquiry the said Ross deposeth and saith, to-wit: That he, the said Fulton Ross, is a subscribing witness to the Will of Lewis Wilson, Sr., dated this 27th day of December 1887, that the annexed writing which purports to be the Will of Lewis Wilson is the true and genuine will made by the said Lewis Wilson on said date, that

that it bore his own true and genuine signature as witness, that he knows the hand writing of A. Ross, his father, the other subscribing witnesses to the said will, having often seen him write, that A. Ross is now dead, that the said attached will and signature as witness to same is in the true and genuine hand writing of the said A. Ross; and further deposes and saith that he distinctly recalls the event of the execution of the will by said Lewis Wilson on December 27, 1887, that the said Lewis Wilson procured his said father, A. Ross, to prepare the will, and that the said Lewis Wilson signed the said will as his last will and testament in the presence of him, the said R. Fulton Ross, and the said A. Ross, and that they affixed their names at the request of Lewis Wilson, the testator, in his presence and in the presence of each other, as witnesses to the said will; and further, that the said R. Fulton Ross has been a non resident of the State of North Carolina 12 years and that he has been a resident of the State of Georgia 12 years, and has no interest in property referred to in said will, and that the said Lewis Wilson, then Louis Wilson, Sr., at the time of executing his said will was of sound mind and deferring memory.

R. Fulton Ross.

Examined, sworn and subscribed to before me, this the 21st day of October 1911.

D. W. M. Whitley,
Clerk Superior Court,
Bertie County, N. C.

State of North Carolina } In Probate Court,
County of Bertie }
In Re. Will of Lewis Wilson } Proof of Handwriting.
I hereby certify that personally appeared before me this day J. M. Williams, who being duly

sworn deposes and saith, that he is acquainted with the handwriting of A. Ross, that he has often seen him write and knows his hand writing; that the said A. Ross is dead, and that the signature of A. Ross to the will of Lewis Wilson, deceased, dated Dec. 27, 1887, is the true and genuine hand writing of A. Ross, deceased, which is signed as a witness to said will as A. Ross; that it is the true and genuine handwriting of the said Ross and none other; and further the deponent saith not.

J. M. Williams
Sworn and subscribed to before me, this
11th day of November, 1911.
R. S. Newton,
Clerk Superior Court.

State of North Carolina } In Probate Court,
County of Bertie }
In Re. Will of Lewis Wilson, } Proof of Will
The will of Lewis Wilson, deceased, dated Dec. 27, 1887, having been propounded, and it appearing from the proof of the due execution of the said will by Fulton Ross, a subscribing witness thereto, as appears in the deposition duly had in the said cause before D. W. M. Whitley, Clerk of the Superior Court, of Bertie County, State of Georgia; and it further appearing by the affidavits and proof of J. M. Williams as to the true and genuine signature of A. Ross, now deceased, subscribing witness thereto, that the said writing purporting to be the will of Lewis Wilson, dated Dec. 27, 1887, is the last will and testament of said Lewis Wilson, deceased.

And therefore, it is ordered, adjudged and decreed that the will of Lewis Wilson, deceased, dated Dec. 1887, as witnessed in the presence of A. Ross and Fulton Ross, Sr., and the same is hereby admitted to probate as the true and genuine last will and