

State Of North Carolina } In The Superior Court
Brunswick County

A paper purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Hilliard Gaston deceased is exhibited before me the undersigned, Clerk of the Superior Court for said County by Daniel R. Walker the executor therein mentioned, and the due execution thereof by the said Hilliard Gaston was proved by the oath and examination of J. C. Thomwell, subscribing witness and the hand writing and signature of G. H. Cannon subscribing witness, by C. Ed. Taylor and J. C. Thomwell who being duly sworn, both depose and say for himself that he is a subscribing witness to the paper-writing now shown him, and purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Hilliard Gaston that the said Hilliard Gaston authorized and directed his name to be in the presence of the deponent G. H. Cannon, subscribed at the end of said paper-writing, which is now shown as aforesaid, and which bears date of the 15th day of April 1901.

And the deponent further saith, that the said Hilliard Gaston, the testator aforesaid, did at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid, declare the said paper-writing as subscribed by his direction 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 did so at the request of and in the presence of said testator and of G. H. Cannon who likewise signed as witness. And this deponent further saith, that at the same 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 Hilliard Gaston 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.

Calvin Thomwell
Solemnly sworn and subscribed,
this 23rd day of March, 1910.
before me. R. S. Newton

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It is therefore upon proof by Calvin Thomwell, subscribing witness and proof of hand writing and signature of considered and adjudged by the Court that the said paper-writing and every part thereof is the last Will and Testament of Hilliard Gaston deceased. Let the said Will, together with the probate, be recorded and filed.

This 23rd day of March 1910.

R. S. Newton
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C. Ed. Taylor being duly sworn, deposes and saith: that he is acquainted with the hand writing of G. H. Cannon, that he has often seen him write, and has had occasion to observe his hand writing; and that the said G. H. Cannon and Hilliard Gaston are both dead; and that the paper-writing purporting to be the Will of Hilliard Gaston is exhibited before him; and that deponent, after examining the signature of said G. H. Cannon who purports to be one of the subscribing witnesses to said Will dated April 16th 1901, truthfully believes that the said signature of G. H. Cannon is in his own proper hand writing and his true and genuine signature to the same.

C. Ed. Taylor

Sworn and subscribed before me this April 1st 1910.
R. S. Newton
Clerk Superior Court.

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It is considered and adjudged that the non-occupator Will of Thos. Keake Jr. bearing date of July 12th 1760, is not legally entitled to be recorded, but is placed in the files of the office.

R. S. Newton
Clerk Superior Court.