

State of North Carolina,
Brunswick County } In the Superior Court.

A paper writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of James Hankins deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned, Clerk of the Superior Court for said County, by Whitfield Hankins, the Executor therein mentioned, and the due execution thereof by the said James Hankins by the oath and examination of G. W. Gray and G. L. Gray the subscribing witnesses thereto - who being duly sworn, do depose and say, and each for himself depose the said, that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown him, purporting to be the last Will and Testament of James Hankins, that the said James Hankins 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 the 17th day of June 1893.

And the deponent further saith, that the said James Hankins the testator aforesaid, did at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid declare the said paper writing to be subscribed by him, and 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 said 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 James Hankins was of sound mind and memory, of the age to execute a Will, and was not under any restraint, to the knowledge, information or belief of this deponent. And further this deponent so say not.

G. W. Gray

G. L. Gray

Personally sworn and subscribed,
this 28th day of October, 1897,
before me.

S. P. Sharp

Clerk Superior Court.

In the name of God Amen. I James Hankins of the State of North Carolina and County of Brunswick being of sound and disposing mind and memory and considering the certainty of death and the uncertainty of the time thereof I do make sign seal publish and declare the following to be my last will and testament -

1st I give devise and bequeath unto my beloved son Whitfield Hankins all and singular my lands in Brunswick County, as also all my personal property, of every kind but on this special trust that he provide adequate support for Rachel Hankins his mother during her natural life and if he should provide said support then at her death he shall have and own said property.

2nd My Will is that my Executor hereinafter named shall pay to my sons Henry William & Cornelius and my daughter Melinda and Faley two dollars each.

3rd I hereby constitute and appoint my son Whitfield Executor to this my last will and testament in testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal this the 17th day of June 1893.

James ^{his} Hankins ^{mark} (Seal)

We the undersigned witnesses to the last will and testament of James Hankins hereby certify that the above will was by him signed sealed published and declared to be his last Will and testament and that by his request and in his presence we hereunto sign our names as witnesses this day and year above written.

G. W. Gray

G. L. Gray

Washington Halden.