

No. 562

1. State of North Carolina
2. County of Brunswick

I, Mrs. Fannie Wescott of the aforesaid county and State being of sound mind, but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence do make and declare this my last will and testament.

- First: My executor hereafter named, S. B. Wescott shall give my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my friends and relations and pay all my funeral expenses together with the first money that comes into his hands from my estate.
- Second: I give and advise to my brother S. B. Wescott and his heirs my house and lot, one feather bed and 2 pillows, 3 quilts, one set of plates, one picture of Mr. & Mrs. Drew.
- Third: I give and advise to Bessie Dosher my trunk.
- Fourth: I give and advise to Mrs. Rena Dosher one of my beds and one cup and saucer.
- Fifth: I give and advise 2 quilts and some of my glass dishes for keepsake to Nellie Wescott.
- Sixth: I advise and give to Hugh Spencer 1 quilt & par pill cases.
- Seventh: I advise and give to Johnnie Hewett my father's picture.
- Eighth: I advise and give to Fannie Cox 1 flowered dish, one smoking stand.
- Ninth: I advise and give to Anna Wescott some of my glasses and dishes.
- Tenth: I advise and give to Thelma Wescott at the County Home Mrs. V. Greaves baby's picture and her mother's picture.
- Eleventh: I advise and give to Joe Wescott, George Wescott, Deford and Carl Wescott each to have some of my household belongings.
- Twelve: I advise and give to Ena Varnam my Bible, 1 quilt and 2 towels.
- Thirteen: I advise and give to Mary Hewett one flowered bowl.
- Fourteen: I advise and give to Lee Wescott, Roland Wescott's picture.
- Fifteen: I advise and give to Mrs. Kinal Price 1 long vase. Have had to sell from necessity, and the balance of my kitchen and bedding and all of my household furniture to be divided and my books amongst them all.

Signed and sealed and published and declared by the said Mrs. Fannie Wescott to be her last will and Testament. In the presence of us who at her request and in her presence and in the presence of each other do describe our names as witnesses Hereto:

Kinwood Varnam
Witness

Sing and Seal
This the 16/Feb 1942

Mrs. Ena Varnam
Witness.

Fannie E. Wescott (Seal)

In witness whereof Mrs. Fannie Wescott do hereunto set her hand. and Seal.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF BRUNSWICK

The paper writing purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of Fannie Wescott, late of Brunswick County, having been propounded by S. B. Wescott, a brother of the testatrix; and it appearing that in the body of the will S. B. Wescott is referred to as being the executor, but it failing to appear that he is particularly designated as such executor; and it further appearing that some parts of the written will had apparently been erased and that some changes in pencil markings had been inserted, it was deemed necessary by the court to make further investigation.

WHEREUPON Afton W. Smith was duly sworn concerning the matters and made oath that he was present when the will was executed by the testatrix in the presence of Ena Varnum and Kenwood Varnum; that he had prepared the will for the testatrix from certain notes which she had written out in her own hand and given to him for the purpose of putting it into shape; that the pencil erasures appearing on lines 26, 37 and also the pencil additions to the will being corrections of the same appearing on lines 26, 36, 42 and 48 were all inserted in the body of the will before the said instrument was executed by the testatrix and witnessed by two subscribers all of which was done in his presence.

The said Afton W. Smith further says that the testatrix at the time was of sound mind and memory and was not under any restraint whatever to the knowledge and belief of the deponent and that the signature of Fannie Wescott to the said will is known to be her own true and genuine handwriting.

WHEREFORE the order admitting the said document to probate as the Last Will and Testament of the said testatrix is hereby ordered that that the said will and all orders made be recorded.
This July 31st, 1944.

S. T. Bennett
Clerk of the Superior Court.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
BRUNSWICK COUNTY.

In the Superior Court,
Before the Clerk.

A paper- writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Fanny E. Wescott, deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned, Clerk of the Superior Court for said county, by S. B. Wescott, her brother, but no executor therein mentioned, and the due execution thereof by the said Fanny Wescott is proved by the oath and examination of Mrs. Ena Varnam, Kinwood Varnam, the subscribing witness thereto, who being duly sworn 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 Fanny Wescott, and also on oath of Afton Smith as to execution; that the said Fanny Wescott, 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 16 day of Feb'y, 1942

AND THE DEPONENT FURTHER SAITH, That the said Fanny Wescott 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 her 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 saith that at the same time when the said testatrix subscribed her name to the said last Will as aforesaid and at the time of the deponent's subscribing her name as attesting witness thereto, as aforesaid, the said Fanny Wescott was of sound mind and memory, of full age to execute a will, and was not under any restraint, to the knowledge, information and belief of this deponent: And further these deponents say not.

Severally sworn and subscribed, this 31 day of July, 1944, before me.

S. T. Bennett
Clerk Superior Court.

Mrs. Ena Varnam
Kinwood Varnam

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
BRUNSWICK COUNTY.

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 Fannie E. Wescott deceased, and the same, with the foregoing examination and this certificate, are ordered to be recorded and filed.

This 31 day of July, 1944.

S. T. Bennett
Clerk Superior Court.