

In the name of God Amen.

I Thomas A. Durant of the County of Brunswick, and State of North Carolina, being of sound and disposing mind and memory, do make ordain and constitute, this my last will and testament in manner and form following that is to say;

1st- I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Henry A. Durant the plantation whereon I now live and known as my homestead together with all my personal property of every kind and description that I may be seized and possessed of during my life -

2nd- I desire that after the death of my wife the plantation whereon I now live to go to my son Oscar A. Durant -

3rd. I desire and it is my will that the portion of land, known as the Mill tract to be equally divided among my two daughters Minny C. Robinson and Mattie G. Durant -

4th- After my death whatever of my personal property that may be left I desire to be equally divided among all my children show and show alike -

5th- And lastly I constitute and appoint Henry M. and Oscar A. Durant my Executors to this my last will and testament -

Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of -

Witness:
A. W. Goodman
E. G. Goodman

Thomas A. Durant (Seal)

This Jan. 27th. 1893.

State of North Carolina,

Brunswick County } ss.

In the Superior Court.

A paper purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Thomas A. Durant deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned, Clerk of the Superior Court, for said County, by Henry M. and Oscar A. Durant, the executors therein mentioned, and the due execution thereof by the said Thomas A. Durant by the oath and examination of A. W. Goodman and E. G. Goodman the subscribing witnesses thereto, who being duly sworn, do depose and say, and each for himself depose and saith, that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shewn him, purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Thomas A. Durant that the said Thomas A. Durant in the presence of the deponent subscribed his name at the end of said paper writing, which is now shewn as aforesaid, and which bears date of the 27th day of January 1893.

And the deponent further saith, that the said Thomas A. Durant the testator aforesaid, died at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid to the said paper writing so subscribed by him, and exhibited to be his last Will and Testament, and this deponent thereupon subscribed 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 Thomas A. Durant 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 that:

A. W. Goodman
E. G. Goodman

Subscribed, sworn and subscribed,
this 6th day of January, 1896, before me.

S. P. Sharp

Clerk Sup. Court.

North Carolina, Brunswick Co.

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 Thomas A. Durant, deceased. Let the said Will, together with the probate, be recorded and filed.

This 6th day of January, 1896.

S. P. Sharp

Clerk Superior Court.