

State of North Carolina
Brunswick County

I, William H. Pyke, of the State and County aforesaid, being of sound mind and memory, and considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence, do make and declare this my last will and testament in manner and form following: That is to say:

That my Executors (hereinafter named) shall provide for my body a decent but not expensive burial, and pay all funeral expenses together with all my just debts, howsoever and to howsoever owing, out of the monies that may first come into their hands as a part or parcel of my estate (but not to include the debt owing my beloved Sister Susan J. Rawson), to her if living - if not living to the children of her body. I bequeath all of my Real estate of whatever character or wherever located, as I consider that whatever I may be possessed of as such was secured and held by and through the use of her money.

It is my desire that the real estate be not sacrificed, but to be held for a reasonable length of time if considered necessary to be able to cover all of my indebtedness, and to get the benefit of any rise in value of property in and around Southport in which I have the strongest faith.

I give devise and bequeath to my nephew Dr. Vance Rawson my entire library with him and the mahogany desk in my sitting room in the property of Mrs. Leslie Worthington, the balance of my personal property of whatever character which can not be properly or satisfactorily divided to be sold in such manner as we best to my executors, and after paying to my beloved niece by marriage Leslie D. Worthington to whom I bequeath the sum of One hundred dollars the balance of the proceeds of such sale of personal effects to go to my Brother Joseph S. Pyke or to his children if he be not living.

And I do hereby constitute and appoint J. S. Long of Township of Newbern, and Mr. J. Long of Brunswick County, in whom I have every confidence, my

lawful executors to all intents and purposes to execute this my last will and testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same and every part and clause thereof, hereby revoking and declaring utterly void all other wills or testaments by me heretofore made.

And I hereby declare it as my wish that my Executors do not give any Bond for the faithful performance of their duty, and that they be given a free hand to manage the estate as in their judgment seems best.

In witness whereof I then said William H. Pyke do hereby set my hand and seal this 24th day of January 1916.

William H. Pyke (seal)

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the said William H. Pyke, of Southport, North Carolina, to be his last will and testament in the presence of us - who at his request and in his presence do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto.

J. B. Carr (seal)

D. J. Watson (seal)

Southport, N.C.

January 24th 1916.

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

A paper purporting to be the last will and testament of William H. Pyke deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned, Clerk of the Superior Court for said County, by J. Berg, the executor therein mentioned, and the due execution thereof by the said William H. Pyke by the oath and examination of J. B. Carr and D. J. Watson the subscribing witness is shown, who being duly sworn, both depose and say, and each for himself depose and say, that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing above him, purporting to be the last will and testament of William H. Pyke, and that the said

subscribed his name at the end of said paper writing, which is now shown as aforesaid, and which bears the date of the 24th day of January, 1916.

And the Dependent further saith, that she said William H. Pyke the testator aforesaid, did at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid declare the said paper-writing so subscribed by him, and exhibited to be his last Will and Testament, and this Dependent 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 Dependent 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 Dependent's subscribing his name as an attesting witness thereto, as aforesaid, the said William H. Pyke 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 Dependent: And further such Dependent say not.

J. B. Carr
D. J. Watson.

Severally sworn and subscribed,
this 20th day of December 1916, before me
A. S. McKeithan
Clerk of Superior Court.

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It is there fore considered and adjudged by the court that the said paper-writing and part thereof is the last Will and Testament of William H. Pyke, deceased. Let the said Will, together with the probate, be recorded and filed this 20th day of December 1916.

A. S. McKeithan
Clerk Superior Court

Filed and Recorded Dec. 20, 1916

No. 324

North Carolina
Brunswick County

Know all men by these presents, I, James S. Bailey of the United States Army, stationed at Fort Caswell, North Carolina, being of sound and disposing mind, but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence, do make, ordain, declare and publish this my Last Will and Testament, hereby expressly revoking and declaring null and void, any and all other wills heretofore made by me.

Item One.

I direct that my Executor hereinafter named shall pay and discharge all my just debts and obligations, which amount, at this time to the best of my knowledge and belief, all told, to amount the sum of One Hundred and twenty dollars, including a note of thirty-four dollars due to C. W. Long.

Item Two.

Should there be any expense incident to my last illness and funeral expenses, I direct that the same be paid by my Executor out of the first money coming into his hands belonging to my estate.

Item Three.

I authorize, direct and empower my Executor so sell and dispose of, at either public or private sale, any or all of my real or personal estate should it become necessary to do so in order to provide a fund with which to pay off and discharge my just debts.

Item Four.

I direct that any and all sum of money due me from the United States for services, or on any other account be paid to my Executor, to be discharged by or him directed.

Item Five.

I give and bequeath to my beloved wife, Clyde Boykin, my worth and chain.

Item Six.

I give devise and bequeath to my beloved wife, Helen Bell, daughter of my sister, Rachel Bailey of Hawthorne, Florida, her one-half share in the real and personal estate of my late wife, who was my beloved wife.