

Buncombe County. } L.S. In the Superior Court.

A. Paper purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of Caroline F. Ballard, deceased, is exhibited to me, the undersigned, Clerk of Court for said County, by Waldo H. Ballard, the Executor therein mentioned, and the due execution thereof by the said Caroline F. Ballard, by its oath and examination of Geo. F. Scott; and John T. Young, the subscribing witnesses thereto: who being duly sworn, both depose and say, and each for himself deposes and saith, that he is subscribing witness to the Paper-writing now shown him, purporting to be the last will and Testament of Caroline F. Ballard, that the said Caroline F. Ballard, in the presence of this deponent, subscribed her name at the end of said Paper-writing which now shown as aforesaid, and which bears date of the 14th day of August 1891. And the deponent further saith, that the said Caroline F. Ballard, the testatrix aforesaid, did at the same 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 the deponent did thereupon subscribe their names at the end of said will as an attesting witnesses thereto, and at the request and in the presence of the said testatrix. And the deponents further saith, that at the said time when the said testatrix subscribed their names to the said last Will as aforesaid, and at the time of deponents subscribing their names as an attesting witnesses thereto, as aforesaid, the said Caroline F. Ballard, 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 these deponents. And further that deponents say that

Geo. F. Scott (Seal)
John T. Young (Seal)

Solemnly sworn and subscribed this 29th day of May 1896. before me. J. L. Leathery C.C.

S. Caroline F. Ballard, of the town of Oriskany, County of Buncombe, State of North Carolina, considering the uncertainty of life, and being of sound mind and memory, make and declare this my will and testament, and dispose of my property in the following manner, appointing Waldo H. Ballard, as Executor without bonds and trustee to the same.

providing, during the life of my husband, Albert Ballard, he having a comfortable support, and of the income and at his decease after the payment of all bills on his account, the remainder to be divided among my three sons, Francis J. Ballard, Albert M. Ballard, and Waldo H. Ballard.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the fourth day of Aug. in the year of our Lord, eighteen hundred and ninety one.

Geo. F. Scott.

John T. Young

Caroline F. Ballard (Seal)

Upon considering the foregoing proofs and affidavit it is concluded, ordered, and adjudged, that the foregoing paper writing and every part thereof is the last will and testament of Caroline F. Ballard, Thence let the same be given with the proofs hereof be recorded and filed. This May 30th 1896

J. L. Leathery
Clerk Superior Court

Letter Testimony issued May 30th 1896.