

C. B. Palmer
will

The Last will and Testament of C B Palmer of the County of Buncombe & State of North Carolina being of Sound Mind & Memory but considering but considering the uncertainty of death of my existence do make & declare this my last will and Testament in manner & form as follows

- First I had my administrator that provide for my body a decent burial, settle to the value of my funds & to pay all funeral expenses together with all my just debts however & to whomsoever due of my lands
- Second I give & devise unto my beloved Mother C B Palmer my individual interest viz One third of the land where she now lives she paying one half of my indebtedness
- Third I will & bequeath unto my beloved Brother and Sister J G & H B Palmer my undivided half interest in the land willed to my self J G Palmer by my Father they paying my paying out of said one half of my indebtedness each of them to be made equal in the remainder in which I have interest to set my hand and seal this 27 day of January 1877

Signed, C. B. Palmer

Witness
C. M. Stevens
A A Reynolds

North Carolina } In the probate
Buncombe County } Court.
A paper purporting to be the last will and Testament of C B Palmer deceased, is exhibited before me the undersigned Judge of Probate for said County by Mrs C M Clark, and the due execution thereof by the said C B Palmer by the oath & examination of J M Stevens & A A Reynolds the subscribing witnesses that have been produced the said witnesses being by me duly sworn, do depose & say each for him self a subscribing witness to the paper purporting to be the last will & Testament of C B Palmer & that the said will was made in the presence of J M Stevens & A A Reynolds

did subscribe the said will & Testament in the said witness & that of the said witnesses signed my name to said paper writing as witness thereto and at the time of the subscribing the same by the said C B Palmer was of sound mind & memory memory of full age to execute a will & was not under any restraint to the knowledge or information or belief of the above named witnesses.
Signed J. M. Stevens

Witness to the hand writing of C B Palmer did A A Reynolds & Mrs C M Clark sworn upon oath to the hand writing

Signed, A A Reynolds
C M Clark

Subscribed & sworn to before me this 27th day of Jan 1877.
C. H. Herndon
Judge of Probate

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Ebenezer
Morris will

I Ebenezer Morris of the County of Buncombe State of North Carolina declare this to be my last will and Testament, hereby revoking all former wills by me made.

1 I hereby appointed H. H. Hurst, executor of this will.

2 I devise that as soon after my decease as practicable my said executor shall convert all my property of every description into money, and at this end I direct that they sell my real estate and personal property, debts accepted, on such terms and in such manner as they may think best, and that they collect all my debts, except those due me at my death from my children and grand-children which I bequeath to them in addition to the legacies and bequests hereinafter made. And as my said property shall be converted to money as aforesaid, I direct that it shall be applied pro rata in payment of the bequests hereinafter made.

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I give and bequeath to my grandson Benjamin Morris, son of my deceased son John N. Morris

The sum of five Dollars.

4 I give and bequeath to my grandson William Vanhook son of my deceased daughter Susan Vanhook the sum of One hundred Dollars

5 I give and bequeath to my daughter Julia Ann K. Hurst wife of W. H. Hurst one fifth part of all my estate after deducting the bequests named in items three & four of this will.

6 I give and bequeath to H. K. Rheas, one fifth part of all my estate after deducting the bequests named in items three & four of this will; in ~~trust~~ ^{trust} for the benefit of my daughter Isabella Foster wife of M. C. Foster to be paid to her as follows: During her lifetime he shall pay her such amounts from time to time as her necessities may require, and he shall be the judge at & the amounts she may actually need. If ~~the~~ she survives her present husband, she shall be entitled at his death to demand the balance that may be due her of the said one fifth part of my estate, but if she do not survive her ~~husband~~ present husband, it is my will that the said H. K. Rheas shall pay the residue of the said one fifth part of my estate then in his hands to the children of my said daughter Isabella: and the separate receipt of my said daughter for any sum paid her by the said H. K. Rheas, shall be an effectual discharge for the sums so paid.

7 It is my will that my grandchildren, Simon, William, John and James Morrow children of my son Samuel C. Morrow deceased, three of the children of my deceased daughter Susan Vanhook, to wit, Sarah Parish, wife of Nathaniel Parish, Susan Myers, wife of John Myers & Isabella Watson wife of Henry Watson, and Alice Ford wife of James Ford the said Alice being the daughter of my deceased ~~son~~ ^{son} ~~son~~ ^{son}

shall each receive an equal portion of my estate and I do hereby devise and bequeath to each of said grand children one twentieth part of all my estate after deducting the first two bequests in this will made,

8 My daughter Sarah E. has married several years since to Mr. Robeson and has not since been heard from. It is ~~advised~~ ^{advised} my will that my said executors shall retain one fifth of all my estate first deducting the first two bequests made in this will for the period of five years upon the following trusts, to wit: If my said daughter Sarah E. Robeson shall, within that time, make application for said one fifth part so to be retained by them, they shall pay the same to her. If she be dead and her children apply for the same within that time, it shall be paid to them unless there be not as ~~follows~~ many as four of them, in which case I desire that they shall each receive a sum equal to one twentieth of my whole estate, first deducting the two bequests just made in this will. And in the event that the said one fifth part of my estate so to be retained as aforesaid be not called for within the said period of five years from and after my decease, or in ~~the case~~ ^{the case} only a part of said one fifth shall be paid to my said daughter children as aforesaid, then it is my will, that my said executors shall divide the said one fifth of my estate or such part of ~~it~~ as shall remain in their hands between the same and after the trustees hereinafter made named in the same proportions ~~and~~ in which I have herein divided the other four fifths of my estate.

9 And if any one of my said grand children who are legates did before me it is my will that the bequest intended for him or her shall be applied as if the same had formed part of the personal estate of such legatee at his or her decease, and if my daughter Julia Anne ~~Robeson~~ ^{Robeson} and Isabella Foster, or either of them shall die before my decease

then I bequeath the parts of my estate intended for them, to their heirs forever, and I mean by their heirs, their children.

10 I direct that immediately after my death my executor shall destroy all evidence of debt whatever due or owing to and or my estate from any and all of my relations living before named as legatees in this will.

11 My express will is that my said executor shall have power and I hereby authorize them to compromise or submit to arbitration, and settle all accounts and matters belonging or relating to my estate and generally to act in regard thereto, as they shall deem expedient and for the best interests of my estate.

I desire that my said executors shall pay my funeral expenses and all my just debts out of the first money that may come into their hands, and the balance of my estate after paying my funeral expenses & debt, and the bequests to Benjamin Morrow and William Parkbrook, is to be divided by my said executor among the persons and in the proportions hereinafter mentioned.

And testimony whereof I have hereunto to this my last will and testament subscribed my name and set my seal this day of October A.D. 1874 (Signed) Ebenezer Morrow (Jr.)

Subscribed by the Testator in the presence of each of us and at the same time declared by him to be his last will and testament and therefore, at the request of the Testator signed our names here as witnesses this day of October 1874 (Signed) J. A. Carter
(Signed) J. W. Sims

State of North Carolina } In the Probate
Buncombe County } Court

In the
Matter of
Ebenezer
Morrow
Decedent

J. W. H. Hurst do solemnly swear that I believe this writing to be and contains the last will and testament of Ebenezer Morrow deceased; and that you will well and truly execute the same, by first paying his debts and then his legacies as far as the said estate shall extend, or the law shall charge you, and that I will well & faithfully execute the office of an executor, according to law so help you God.
Witness my hand & seal this 13th day of February 1878.
(Signed) J. W. H. Hurst

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 13th day of February 1878. J. C. W. Herndon
Judge of Probate

North Carolina } In the Probate Court
Buncombe County }

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Ebenezer Morrow deceased is exhibited before for probate in open court by W. H. Hurst the executor therein named and the due execution thereof by the said Ebenezer Morrow is proved by the oath and examination of John A. Carter one of the subscribing witnesses thereto. It is therefore considered by the court that the said paper writing and every part thereof is the last will and testament of the said Ebenezer Morrow and the same is ordered to be recorded and filed and therefore the said W. H. Hurst executor as aforesaid duly qualifies as such by taking the oath required by law.
(Signed) J. A. Carter

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 13th day of February 1878. J. C. W. Herndon
Judge of Probate