

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

I, Anne E. West, do swear (or affirm) that I believe this writing to be and contain the last will and testament of George W. West, deceased; and that I 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 will charge me, and that I will well and faithfully execute the office of an executor agreeable to the trust and confidence reposed in me, and according to law; so help me God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 24th day of August, 1896.

J. L. Carthy
Clerk Superior Court
Buncombe County
North Carolina.

Anne E. West.

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

I, J. E. Rankin, do swear (or affirm) that I believe this writing to be and contain the last will and testament of George W. West, deceased; and that I 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 will charge me, and that I will well and faithfully execute the office of an executor agreeable to the trust and confidence reposed in me, and according to law; so help me God.

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J. L. Carthy
Clerk Superior Court.
Buncombe County,
North Carolina.

J. E. Rankin.

Buncombe County - In the Superior Court.
In the matter of the will of George W. West.
Before J. L. Carthy, Superior Court Clerk.
J. E. Rankin, being duly sworn, doth say:
That George W. West, late of said County,
is dead, having first made and published
his last will and testament and that

the executrix named therein.

Further that, the property of the said George W. West, consisting of money or land, furniture, stock, bonds etc. - is worth about \$15,000 ^(\$20,000), so far as can be ascertained at the date of this application; and that Cordelia M. Erwin West the widow of the said George W. West, whose residence is "The Rest" near the City of Asheville, North Carolina is the party entitled under said will to the said property.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 24th day of August, 1896.

J. L. Carthy
Clerk Superior Court of
Buncombe County North Carolina

J. E. Rankin.

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

In the matter of the will of George W. West.
A paper purporting to be the last will and testament of George W. West, deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned, Clerk of Court for said County, by J. E. Rankin and Anne E. West, executor and executrix therein mentioned, and the due execution thereof by the said George W. West is proved by oath and examination of C. W. Wilson, C. M. Parker and S. A. Lockwood, the subscribing witnesses thereto; who being duly sworn doth say, that he and she is subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown him and her purporting to be the last will and testament of George W. West, that the said George W. West, in the presence of this deponent, subscribed his name at the end of said paper-writing which now shown as aforesaid, and which bears date of the 26th day of June, 1893.

And the deponent further saith, that the said George W. West the testator as aforesaid, declared the said will at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid, declared the said paper-writing as subscribed by him and

and upon subscription his name at the end of said will as an attesting witness thereto, and at the request and in the presence of the 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 deponents subscribing his name as an attesting witness thereto, as aforesaid, the said George W. West 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 not.

Severally sworn and subscribed this 20th day of August, 1886, before me.

J. B. Cathey,
Clerk of the Superior Court
of Bamberg County South
Carolina.

C. W. Wilson
C. M. Parker
S. A. Lockwood



And at the same time a paper dated the 28th day of September, 1894, purporting to be a codicil to the said Last Will and Testament of said George W. West deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned, Clerk of Court for said County, by J. E. Rankin and Anne E. West the executor and executrix therein mentioned, and the due execution thereof by the said George W. West was duly proved by the oath and examination of C. M. Parker and S. A. Lockwood the subscribing witnesses thereto; who being duly sworn, do the depose and say, and each for himself and herself depose and saith, that he and she is subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown him and her, purporting to be the said Codicil to the last will and testament of George W. West that the said George W. West, in the presence of this deponent, subscribed his name at the end of said paper writing which now shown as aforesaid, and which bears date the 28th day of September, 1894.

And each of the deponents further saith, that the said George W. West, the testator aforesaid, did at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid, declare the said

subscribed by him and exhibited, to be a codicil to his said Last Will and Testament, and this deponent did thereupon subscribe his name at the end of said Codicil as an attesting witness thereto, and at the request and in the presence of the said testator. And this deponent further saith, that at the said time when the said testator subscribed his name to the said codicil to said last will as aforesaid, and at the time of deponents subscribing his name as an attesting witness thereto, as aforesaid, the said George W. West was of sound mind and memory, as aforesaid, the said George W. West was of sound mind and 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 not.

C. M. Parker
S. A. Lockwood



Severally sworn and subscribed
this 20th day of August, 1886,
before me,

J. B. Cathey C. C.

And at the same time a paper dated the 8th day of June 1896, purporting to be another codicil to the said Last Will and Testament of George W. West deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned, Clerk of Court for said County, by J. E. Rankin and Anne E. West the executor and executrix therein mentioned, and the due execution thereof by the said George W. West was duly proven by the oath and examination of S. A. Lockwood and Thomas A. Jones the subscribing witnesses thereto; who being duly sworn, do the depose and say, and each for himself and herself depose and saith, that he and she is subscribing witnesses to the paper writing now shown him and her purporting to be the said Codicil to said last will and testament of George W. West, that the said George W. West, in the presence of this deponent, subscribed his name at the end of said paper writing which now shown as aforesaid, and which bears

And the Deponent further saith, that the said George W. West 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 a codicil to his Last Will and Testament, and this Deponent did thereupon subscribe his name at the end of said Codicil as an attesting witness thereto, and at the request and in the presence of the said testator. And this Deponent further saith, that at the said time when the said last will as aforesaid, and at the time of Deponents subscribing his name as an attesting witness thereto, as aforesaid, the said George W. West 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 to say not

J. A. Colquhoun *Seal*
Thos. C. Jones *Seal*

Severally sworn and
subscribed this 24th day
of August, 1896, before me,
J. S. Cooney, Clerk

It is therefore considered and adjudged by the Court that the said paper-writing dated the 26th day of June A. D. 1893, and every part thereof, and the Codicil thereto dated the 28th day of September, 1894, and every part thereof, and the Codicil thereto, dated the 8th day of June A. D. 1896, is the last will and Testament of George W. West deceased, and the same with the foregoing examinations and this certificate are ordered to be recorded and filed. And thereupon the said J. E. Roudin and Anne E. West Executor and Executrix as aforesaid, each duly qualified as such by taking the oath required by law.

This the 24th day of August, A. D. 1896.

J. S. Cooney, Clerk
of the Superior Court of
Buncombe County N. C.

State of North Carolina
County of Buncombe

Known all men by these presents that I George W. West of the County and State aforesaid, do hereby, make publish, and declare the following to be my last will and Testament, to wit:

I bequeath and devise to my wife Cordelia M. Erwin West all of my property, both real and personal of every kind and description whatsoever, in case I die before she does, unconditionally and without reserve, giving her full power to dispose of any or all of it at her discretion by deed will or otherwise.

But in case my said wife Cordelia M. Erwin West should die before I die, then and in that event I bequeath and devise my property as follows. To wit: Should I survive my wife I bequeath to my daughter Cordelia Erwin West and Anne Edwards West in equal parts share & share as like all the property both real and personal that I may possess at my death and in the event as aforesaid of my surviving my wife I appoint my son George West and my daughter Anne Edwards West executor and executrix of this will with full power to act jointly or severally as they may elect and without bond.

In testimony whereof I George W. West to this my last will and Testament do hereunto set my hand and affix my seal.

This 26th day of June, 1893
George W. West *Seal*

Attestation:

The foregoing instrument was signed by George W. West the testator above named and by him declared to be his last will and Testament in presence of us the undersigned who at his request in his presence and in the presence of each other do hereunto set our hands as subscribing witnesses thereto

G. M. Parker
S. A. Lockwood

~~Not~~
Seal

Codicil to the last will & testament of me,
Geo. W. West which bears date the 26th day
of June 1893. Whereas by my said will I
have appointed my son George West to be one of
the executors thereof, and whereas, I am desirous
of revoking said appointment and substituting
another executor in his place. Now, I hereby
revoke the appointment of the said George W.
West as such executor and I hereby appoint
my daughter Cordelia Erwin West to be
~~an~~ executrix of my said will in the place of
the said George West, she to be co-executrix
with her sister Anne Edwards West; and I
declare that my said will shall be construed &
take effect as if the name of the said Cordelia
Erwin West were inserted in my said will
as executrix instead of the name of the said
George West; and all other respects I confirm
my said will.

In witness whereof I, George W. West have
subscribed my name and set my seal this
28 of September A.D. 1894,

Geo. W. West ~~Seal~~
Signed, sealed, and published by the said Geo.
W. West as a codicil to his last will and testament
in our presence, and we in his presence and
in the presence of each other have, at his
request, hereto subscribed our names as witnesses.

G. M. Parker
S. A. Lockwood.

Codicil to the last will and testament of me, George
W. West which bears date the 26th day of
June A.D. 1893, and which will and
testament has also a Codicil thereto, bearing
date the 28th day of September A.D. 1894.
Whereas by the said will I had appointed my son
George one of the executors of my said will, and
whereas by the said Codicil thereto dated the 28th
day of September A.D. 1894, I have substituted
and appointed my daughter Cordelia Erwin
West, as executrix in the place of the said George

West, and whereas I am desirous of revoking the
said appointment of my said daughter Cordelia
Erwin West and substituting my friend J.E.
Raukin of the City of Asheville, North Carolina as
executor in her place, now I hereby revoke the
appointment of the said Cordelia Erwin West
as such executrix, and I hereby appoint my
friend J.E. Raukin to be executor of my said
will and testament in the place of the said
Cordelia Erwin West, he to be co-executor
with my daughter Anne Edwards West; and
I declare that my said will, dated the 26th
day of June A.D. 1893, shall be construed and
take effect as if the name of the said J.E.
Raukin were inserted in my said will as Executor
instead of the name of the said George
West; and in all other respects I confirm
my said will.

In witness whereof I have subscribed my
name and set my seal this 8th day of
June A.D. 1896.

Geo. W. West ~~Seal~~
Signed, sealed, published and declared
by the said George W. West to be a codicil
to his last will and testament, in the
presence of us and each of us who at his
request and in his presence, and in the
presence of each other have hereto subscribed
our names as witnesses thereto.

S. A. Lockwood
Thos. A. Jones.