

I, E. Sluder of the County of Buncombe and
State of North Carolina being of sound
mind and memory do make publick and
declare this writing to be my last Will and
Testament.

Item 1st I nominate constitute and appoint my
wife Julia E. Sluder sole executrix of this
my last will and testament.

Item 2nd I desire and direct my said executrix to
pay all my indebtedness as soon as practicable
and I specify her to get the money necessary
for this purpose from certain life
insurance policies which I have on my
life or from the collection of such debts
as may be due me.

Item 3rd I direct that my said executrix, soon, as
soon as my debts are paid shall appoint
three disinterested men who shall divide
all of my estate, real and personal, re-
maining after my debts have been paid
into shares or portions equal in value,
for each of my children and my wife, and
shall deduct one share for my wife and one for
each of my children, naming the share
which each child shall take.

The share which said wife shall deduct for my
wife, I give devise and bequeath to her, my
said wife Julia E. Sluder her heirs and
assigns absolutely and forever.

Each of the shares allotted for my children
I give devise and bequeath to my said de-
cutive to be held, controlled and managed by
her in trust for the use and benefit of the
child for whom it was selected until
such child shall attain the age of twenty
five years, if in her opinion it is best
for such child for her to hold said share
so long. And I direct and empower my
said executrix to use no much of the income
arising from each share as she may deem
advisable for the support and education
of the child for whom the share is al-
located in such manner as she may deem

best. And I further authorize and empower
her in case she thinks best to sell publicly or
privately any property, real or personal held
by her in trust under this will, and take on
reinvest the proceeds of her sale, or else for
the purpose for which she may have held the
property sold, before selling. And I hereby de-
clare that her deed conveying any of the prop-
erty so held by her in trust under this
will shall be a complete bar both in law
and equity to the claims of all persons claim-
ing any of the property so conveyed, by
through or under the said title, whether they
will that in case any loss should be suf-
fered by my executrix in the honest and
agreement of her trust she shall not be
held responsible therefor.

I direct my executrix to turn over to each of
my children as they severally arrive at the
age of twenty five years, or sooner to such
of the children as she may think best, all
the property she may then hold in trust
for the child arriving at such age, dis-
posing possession of the personal property and
disposing and conveying a full simple title
to the realty.

In case any of my children should die
before arriving at the age of twenty five years
and before receiving his or her share
on shares of my estate according to the
foregoing provisions the lineal descendent
if there be any of such child or children
shall receive the share of the ancestor
per stirpes, in like manner as their an-
cestor would have received it if living.
That is to say at the time their ancestor
would have arrived at the age of twenty
five years and in the same number
In case any of my children should die
without issue before receiving his or
her share of my estate according
to the foregoing provisions I desire that
they have on shares of the child or chil-

drawn to daying shall be divided between
my children thus living and my wife
Eliza and share alike

Item 7th
I desire that any property, real or personal
all which I may give to any of my children
during my life shall be considered as
an advancement and accounted for
in the division of my property, and in
such case or cases as my executors may
think best they may convey to any of my
children a portion of their share or share
begin their arrival at twenty five years of
age and retain the remainder in trust
according to the foregoing provision.

Intestimony whereof I have hereunto set
my hand and seal to this my last will
and testament this the 23rd day of
June A.D 1883.

E. Sluder Esq.

The foregoing instrument of writing was
signed by E. Sluder and by him published
and declared to be his last will
and testament, in the presence of us,
who at his request, in his presence,
and in the presence of each other hereunto
subscribed our names as witnesses, this
23rd day of June A.D 1883.

A. G. Sumner
J. J. Van Gilder,

I, E. Sluder of the County of Buncombe and
State of North Carolina having on the 23rd day
of June A.D 1883, made and published my
last will and testament, once having done
that day changed my views as to the distribution
of a part of my estate do publish and
declare this writing to be a codicil to, and
a part of my said last will and testament,
at the same time ratifying and confirming
the provisions of my said last will and
testament of said date except so far as
the same is changed by this codicil.

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It is my desire to make another provision for
my wife Eliza A. Sluder and my daughter
Maggie E. Sluder than is contained in my
said last will and testament of said date.
And therefore I give and devise to my said
wife Eliza A. Sluder during the time of
her natural life a certain lot of land
with all its appurtenances (and in including
all the household and kitchen furniture
contained therein of all kinds) said lot
being the same on which I now live situated
in the City of Asheville and bounded on
the West by Main Street and on the east
part by Church Street and adjoining lots
of R. H. Johnston, Condie & Barnard & H.
Gudger and J. H. Herring and at and after
the death of my said wife I give and
devise said lot with all its appurtenances
including all of said household kitchen
furniture as above stated to my said daugh-
ter Maggie E. Sluder during the time of
her natural life, and at her death of the same
my said wife I desire said lot to be divided
among my several descendants per stirpes.

It is also my will that this codicil shall
in no way be construed to prevent my
said wife and said daughter from receiving
their full share of the balance of my property
after the same shall have been divided as
according to the provision of said will of 1883
June 1883. My object being to give them the
estate above devised in addition to a share
each in the balance of my property equal
to the share of each of my other children.
Intestimony whereof I have hereunto set my
hand and seal

This the 11th day of July in the year of our
Lord One thousand eight hundred and
eighty four

E. Sluder Esq.

Signed, sealed, published and declared
to be a codicil to and part of the last
will and testament of E. Sluder by
himself 1888-1899

who at his request in his presence and in
the presence of each other have sub-
scribed our names as witnesses thereto
11th day of June A D 1884

A. V. Summey
G. I. Van Gilder,

State of North Carolina Superior Court
Buncombe County 3rd Circuit & W. Henderson Clerk

In the Matter of the Probate of the Will
of E. Sluder, deceased,

Julia A. Sluder
being duly sworn says that E. Sluder
of the County of Buncombe, a resident and
citizen of said County, is dead having left
a last will and testament in writing
wherein she the said J. A. Sluder is ap-
pointed executrix.

That the value of the said testator's estate
consisting of real and personal and
chores in action is about twenty five
Thousand dollars as near as can be
ascertained.

That the parties entitled to said testator's
property under the provision of said will are
the said J. A. Sluder, Maggie J. Sluder and
M. Sluder, all of whom
reside in said County of Buncombe and that
Joseph W. Sluder Maggie J. Sluder and
Sluder are minors under twenty one years
of age and without guardians. Therefore
the said J. A. Sluder applies to the Court
to have said will admitted to probate and
that letters testamentary be issued to her
the said J. A. Sluder on said will.

Julie A. Sluder

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the
29th day of June A D 1885

E. W. Henderson
Circuit Superior Court
Buncombe Co.

Buncombe County

Before E. W. Henderson etc

In the Matter of the Probate of the Will
of E. Sluder, deceased,

A paper writing purporting
to be the last will and Testament of E. Sluder
dated the 23rd day of June A D 1883 and a
paper writing purporting to be a Codicil thereto
so dated in the body of the same the 11th day
of July A D 1884 and in the Certificate of
the witness thereunto the 11th day of August
July A D 1884, and in the Certificate of the
witness thereunto the 11th day of December A D 1884
are exhibited before E. W. Henderson Clerk of
the Superior Court for Buncombe County
for Probate by Julie A. Sluder the exec-
utor in said will mentioned and the
upon G. I. Van Gilder and A. V. Summey,
the subscribing witnesses, to said last will
and Testament, being duly sworn each for
himself says that he is a subscribing
witness to each of the said paper writings
now shown him purporting to be the last
will and Testament of E. Sluder, deceased,
and a codicil thereto, that the said E. Sluder
subscribed his name to the end of each of
said paper writings, and deposes further
that that the said E. Sluder at the time of
subscribing his name, as aforesaid, to the
said paper writing purporting to be his the said
E. Sluder, last will and Testament did then
the said paper writing so subscribe by him and
now herein exhibited as after said to be his last
will and Testament and thereupon his depend-
ent did subscribe his name at the end of said last
will and Testament in the presence of aforesaid
The request of the said E. Sluder be and that
the witness thereunto and deponents further state
that the said E. Sluder at the time of subscribing
his name to the said paper writing purporting
to be a Codicil to his last will and Testament
did subscribe his name to the said paper writing

by him and now here exhibited as a witness
to be a Codicil to his Last Will and Testament
and this deponent did thereupon as the per-
son of and at the request of the said E.
Sluder subscribe his name at the end of
said Codicil as an attesting witness
thereunto, and deponent further saith that
at the time when the said E. Sluder subscri-
bed his name to said Last Will and Testa-
ment as a witness and at the time when
deponent subscribed his name as an attesting
witness thereto as a witness and
at the time when the said E. Sluder sub-
scribed his name to the said Codicil and
at the time when deponent subscribed his
name as an attesting witness thereto the
said E. Sluder was of sound mind and
memory of full age to make a will and
was under no restraint to the knowledge
information or belief of this deponent;
and further deponent saith that said
Codicil was signed by the said E. Sluder
and by him published and declared to be
a codicil to his last will and testament
on the 11th day of July A.D. 1884 and that
deponent at the same time subscribed his
name as an attesting witness thereto and
that the date of the certificate of the
witnesses on said Codicil is a clerical
error of the draftman which was not
discovered by the deponent till said
Codicil was offered for probate and
further these deponents sayeth.

A. J. Summey
J. P. Van Gilder

Sworn and subscribed before me this 29th
day of June A.D. 1885

E. M. Henderson
Judge of Probate
Buncombe County

State of North Carolina in the Superior Court
Buncombe County, 3rd Superior Court
In the Matter of the Probate of the
Will of E. Sluder deceased,

A paper writing purporting to
be the last Will and Testament of E. Sluder
deceased dated the 23rd day of June A.D. 1884
together with another paper writing attached
and purporting to be a codicil thereto dated
in the body of said Codicil the 11th day of
July A.D. 1884, and in the Certificate of
the subscribing witnesses the 11th day of
June A.D. 1884 is exhibited this the 29th
day of June A.D. 1885 in open court
for probate by John A. Sluder the Ex-
ecutor in said will named and thereupon
comes A. J. Summey and J. P. Van Gilder
the subscribing witnesses to said will and
Codicil who being by me duly sworn and
the said last will and Testament and
Codicil thereto being exhibited to them
each severally depose and state that
that in the said A. J. Summey and J. P.
Van Gilder saw the said E. Sluder sign
and seal said last will and Testament and
Codicil and heard him declare the same
to be his last will and Testament and that he
in the presence of and at the request of the
said E. Sluder signed his name as an att-
testing witness and doth assure to the
satisfaction of the Court that the date
of the attesting clause of said Codicil is
a clerical error of the draftman and
that said Codicil was signed sealed
published and declared to be a codicil to
his last will and Testament by E. Sluder
and attested by said witnesses on the
11th day of July A.D. 1884. Now therefore
it is adjudged that the said paper
writing purporting to be the last will
and Testament of E. Sluder deceased
A.D. 1884 be rejected, disallowed and every part of

both of said grants witness to the
last will and testament of E. Shuler,
deceased, that the same has been duly
proven and the same and this order of
probate an order set to be recorded
and filed, and thereupon the said
Julia A. Shuler executing as aforesaid
said duly qualified as such testifying
the oaths required by law

E. H. Henderson
Clark Superior Court
for Buncombe County,

State of North Carolina - In the Superior Court
Buncombe County 3 before E. H. Henderson

I Julia A. Shuler do solemnly swear
that I believe this writing to be and con-
tain the last will and testament of E.
Shuler, deceased, and that I will well
and truly execute the same by first pay-
ing his debts and then his legacies as
far as the said estate shall stretch or
the law shall charge me, and that I
will well and faithfully execute the
affairs of an executed legatee to the
best and convenience before me the
and according to law; so help me God
Julia A. Shuler

Sworn to and subscribed before me this
the 29th day of June AD 1885

E. H. Henderson
Clark Superior Court

Buncombe County - In the Superior Court
The State of North Carolina

To all whom these
presents shall come greeting:

It being satisfactorily proven to
the undersigned Clerk of the Superior
Court for Buncombe County that

John W. Polk of the County of Anson
and State of North Carolina being of
sound mind do make this my last will
and testament.

1st It is my will that my funeral expenses and
all my just debts be paid.

2 I give and bequeath to my beloved wife for
life time the place wherein I now live
together with all the personal property be-
longing thereto all to remain as she may for
her own comfort and benefit.

Also five hundred dollars in money to use
as she may need and I bequeath and bequeath
my son G. E. Polk to stay with and take
care of his mother as long as she lives and
then at her death the place wherein
she lives together with all the personal
belonging to her and her legal heirs

Witness my hand and the seal of
official my office this the 29th day of June
A.D. 1885 E. H. Henderson
Clark Superior Court
Buncombe Co.

In The Name of God Amen

I Thos J. Polk of the County of Anson
and State of North Carolina being of
sound mind do make this my last will
and testament.

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all my just debts be paid.

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together with all the personal property be-
longing thereto all to remain as she may for
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as she may need and I bequeath and bequeath
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then at her death the place wherein
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belonging to her and her legal heirs