

Last Will & Testament of Laura Murphy

I Laura Murphy of Asheville Buncombe County, North Carolina, do make this my last will and testament, hereby revoking any and all wills by me at any time heretofore made.

I give bequeath and devise to my grand nephews and nieces, the children of Lee and Hannah Wilson (after all my just debts are paid) all my personal and real property of every description, and I leave this property in the hands of Mr E S Hobbes as trustee and authorize him to make letters to the land of he finds it best to dispose of it, and to invest the money for the benefit of my grand nephews and nieces,

[L.S.] W. West - Atchville N.C. March 27th 1888
Laura Murphy

L.S. Julia White

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

A paper purporting to be the last will and testament of Laura Murphy deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned Clerk of Court for said County, by E. S. Hobbes the trustee therein mentioned, and the due execution thereof by the said Laura Murphy by the oath and affirmation of W H West and Julia White the subscribing witnesses thereto: who being duly sworn, doth 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 Laura Murphy, that the said Laura Murphy 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 27th day of March 1888.

And the deponent further saith that

the said Laura Murphy, the testator aforesaid did at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid declare the said paper writing so subscribed by her and as exhibited, to be her Last Will and Testament and this deponent 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 the said testator, said 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 Laura Murphy 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 these further these deponents say not
W H West - Deed
Julia White - Deed

Swearingly sworn and
subscribed this 11th day
of Sept 1888 before me
M D Reynolds c/c
On H B Baird SC

In Re

The probate of the Will of Laura Murphy a paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Laura Murphy deceased, is this day presented to the undersigned for probate by E S Hobbes the trustee named in said will and the due execution of said will having been proven in common form by the oath and affirmation of W H West and Julia White, the subscribers being witnesses thereto. In manner and form as presented by law. It is considered and adjudged that the said paper writing is the last will and testament of Laura Murphy deceased and the same is admitted to probate and ordered to be recorded.

Sept 11th 1888
M D Reynolds c/c
On H B Baird SC