

The testator aforesaid, did at the time of subscribing his name aforesaid, declare the said paper writing so subscribed by him, and exhibited to be his last will and testament, and this defendant 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 said testator, and this defendant 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 defendant subscribing his name as an attesting witness thereto, as aforesaid, the said Rebecca Baird 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 defendant; and further this defendant says, note:

W. S. Morrison

J. H. Johnson

Sincerely sworn and subscribed before me
23rd day of May 1894

J. L. Catherly C. C.

State of North Carolina }
County of Buncombe }

I Rebecca Baird, Widow of Joseph C. Baird, and now residing at Abbeville in the State and County aforesaid, hereby revoking all others heretofore made by me, do make and publish this my last will and testament: First, I direct that my body be buried beside the grave of my husband in the cemetery at Abbeville Chapel.

Second: I give devise and bequeath all my estate, and property of every kind whatsoever to my friend Theodore H. Dobbinson, in special trust and confidence, to be owned held and employed by him for the following uses, and purposes and none other: (1) After the payment of my funeral expenses, and any debts I may owe, to purchase and erect over my grave a suitable monument or

tablet, upon which shall be engraven the date of my birth, and death and my name: (2) The net and residue of my estate shall be securely invested in such way or ways as will produce the best and most regular income, if it is found practicable & proper, and direct that the investment shall be upon real estate, security. This however I leave to the sound discretion of my trustee, herein before named, (3) The income arising from five hundred dollars, of the principal thus invested shall be annually applied to keeping in good condition the graves and monuments thereof of my husband and myself, and if after this is done there shall remain, a part of the income from the said five hundred dollars, I direct it shall be paid to the trustees or other proper persons, having charge of Abbeville Chapel for the repair support, and maintenance, of the building, endowments and appurtenances of the said Abbeville Chapel. (4) The income arising from the residue of my estate I direct shall annually be paid to the Grand Lodge of Masons of North Carolina, to be by it faithfully applied as far as it will go, to the maintenance and education of the orphan orphans of some orphan child or children of this State. Should the Grand Lodge ever fail from the management of the Grand Lodge of Masons, and it should establish or obtain an other for the same general purpose, I direct that the income hereby appropriated to the orphan asylum, shall be paid to that institution, which is under the control of said Grand Lodge of Masons; and in the event the said Grand Lodge shall ever establish a branch or independent asylum for orphans in Western North Carolina, I direct that this bequest shall be appropriated to such institution.

and I further request that as far as is practicable, the ^{other} ~~written~~ ^{written} form part of the State Parliament, from the County of Brunswick shall be the recipients of this devise.

(C) If for any reason the execution of this Will in respect to the devises to Alexander Chapel, or the Grand Lodge of Mason should fail or become impossible, I direct that the income so arriving shall be applied to the Education of some worthy and indigent child, or children of Brunswick County, to be selected by the said trustee, at such institution of learning as he may select.

I think I have appointed the said Theodore H. Davidson, the executor of this Will.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand, and seal, this the thirty first day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety. Rebecca Baid

The foregoing will was at the sole thing, signed, sealed, published and declared by the said Rebecca Baid as and for her last Will and Testament in the presence of us who at her request and in her presence, and in the presence of each other, have subscribed our names, as witnesses thereto:

T. S. Morrison.
J. M. Johnson.

North Carolina.
Brunswick County. In the Superior Court.
Now is therefore awarded, and adjudged by the Court, that the said paper writing and every part thereof is the last Will and Testament of Rebecca Baid dead, and the same with the foregoing examination and this certificate are to be recorded and filed, and thereupon Thos. H. Davidson the executor therein named is duly qualified by taking the oaths required. This 2nd day of May A.D. 1894.

J. L. Cathey
Clerk Superior Court

North Carolina. In the Superior Court.
Brunswick County.

In re the Will of Rebecca Baid, dec'd.
Thos. H. Davidson, being duly sworn says that he believes the paper writing now produced, in Court purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Rebecca Baid, dec'd, dated the 31st day of January 1890, and attested by T. S. Morrison and J. M. Johnson, to be and contain the last Will and Testament of the said Rebecca Baid, and that he will well and truly execute the same by first paying the debts and then the legacies, so far as the said estate shall extend, or the law shall charge; and that he will faithfully and honestly execute the office of executor, according to the trust and confidence reposed in him and according to law.

Thos. H. Davidson
Sworn to and Subscribed this 2nd day of May 1894
J. L. Cathey C.S.C.