

State of North Carolina } ss In the Superior Court
Perquimans County

A paper purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of R. L. F. Jones deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned, Clerk of Court for said County, by Elina Jones the executrix therein mentioned, and the due execution thereof by the said R. L. F. Jones is duly proven by the oath and examination of W. W. Crowell and J. M. Wilson the subscribing witnesses thereto: who being duly sworn, both depose and say, and each for himself depose and saith, that he is subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown him purporting to be the last will and testament of R. L. F. Jones, that the said R. L. F. Jones, 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 20th day of December, 1895.

And the Deponent further saith, that the said R. L. F. Jones 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 ^{his} 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. 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 deponent's subscribing his name as an attesting witness thereto, as aforesaid, the said, R. L. F. Jones 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.

J. M. Wilson, Clerk
Severally sworn and subscribed W. W. Crowell
this 18th day of April, 1896.
before me.

J. L. Carthey C. S. C.

State of North Carolina
Perquimans County-

Jesse Morgan, A. H. Helmet and H. C. Jones being duly sworn says each for himself that he is well acquainted with the hand writing of R. L. F. Jones having often seen him write, and he truly believes that the paper writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of R. L. F. Jones deceased, bearing date the 20th day of December 1895 and now here shown to the court and offered for probate and every part thereof and the paper writing following said last named paper writing and on the same sheet of paper and purporting to be a codicil to said last will and testament dated the 20th day of December 1895, and every part of said paper writing so purporting to be a codicil, are each and in every part in the hand writing of said R. L. F. Jones.

Jesse W. Morgan
A. H. Helmet
H. C. Jones.

Sworn to & subscribed before
me this 18th day of April 1896.

J. L. Carthey
H. C. Jones, wife of R. L. F. Jones, being
by me duly sworn says that the paper
writing above described as the Will of R. L. F.
Jones and a codicil thereto, was found by the
said R. L. F. Jones in her hands for safe
keeping. Elina J. Jones.

Sworn to & subscribed before me this the 18th
day of April 1896.

J. L. Carthey C. S. C.

upon the hearing of the within affidavits it is adjudged
that the paper writings therein referred to as the
last Will and Testament of R. L. F. Jones and
the codicil thereto, is the last Will and Testament
of R. L. F. Jones. Let the same be recorded

In the name of God Amen.
I R Lafayette Jones of the County of Buncombe, and State of North Carolina, being of sound mind and reasonably good memory (God be praised for the same) do make and publish this my last will and testament. I give and bequeath to my wife Elura J. Jones, all my real estate as long as she shall remain unmarried and my widow, but on her death or marriage the property shall be divided equally among my children or their heirs.

I also give to my wife, Elura J. Jones the right to sell such an amt. of my personal and real estate as will be absolutely necessary to discharge the debts that have been created, in a reasonable time after my death. If in case my wife Elura J. Jones remain unmarried or my widow till the youngest child of my family of children Linton is twenty one years of age, then she as my chief executrix shall divide or cause to be divided my property (real Estate) among our children save one third the home tract which she is to retain her life time, and then her interest to be divided equally among the children at her death.

I do appoint and nominate my beloved wife Elura, to be the sole executrix of this my last will and testament.

In testimony whereof, I hereunto set my hand and seal, and publish and decree this to be my last will and testament, in presence of the witnesses named below this the 26 day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety five.
Signed December 20 1895.

R. L. F. Jones.
Signed, sealed declared and published by the said R. L. F. Jones as and for his last will and testament, in presence of us, who, at his request and in his presence, and in the presence of each other have subscribed our names as witnesses here.
Dec. 20, 1895!

W. W. Crowell
J. M. Wilson

I still further desire if my wife should die before carrying out this will, that Linton B. Roberson shall succeed her and that so much as will become necessary for the education of my children the real estate may be sold to make up that deficiency. If the timber can be made available in any way that should be used first, then the real estate last at the discretion of my wife and Linton B. Roberson.
Dec 20, 1895

R. L. F. Jones.

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 R. L. F. Jones late of said County, is dead, having made a last Will and Testament, which has been admitted to Probate (a true copy whereof is herewith annexed), and Elura Jones, the Executrix named therein, having qualified as such according to law.

Now therefore I Empower the said Executrix to enter in and upon all and singular the goods and chattels, the rights and credits of the said deceased, and the same to take into possession, wheresoever be found, and all the just debts of the said deceased to pay and satisfy, and the residue of said estate to distribute according to the directions of said Will.

Witness my hand and the seal of said Court, this the 18th day of April 1896.

Official Seal

J. L. Carter
Clerk of the Superior Court.

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

I, Elura Jones, do swear (or affirm) that I believe the writing to be and contain the last Will and Testament of R. L. F. Jones deceased; and that I will well and truly execute the same by first paying

See original copy of will in old will file.

The said State of North Carolina, 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 helps me God.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 18th day of April 1896.

J. L. Cathey
Clerk Superior Court.

Elura J. Jones.

State of North Carolina,
Buncombe County.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT

A paper purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of R.L.F. Jones deceased is exhibited before me, the undersigned, Clerk of Court for said County, by Elura Jones, the executrix therein mentioned, and the due execution thereof by the said R.L.F. Jones is duly proven by the oath and examination of W.W. Crowell and Z.M. Wilson the subscribing witnesses thereto; who being duly sworn, doth depose and say, and each for himself depose and smith, that he is subscribing witness to the paper-writing now shown him, purporting to be the last will and testament of R.L.F. Jones that the said R.L.F. Jones, 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 20th day of December, 1895.

And the Deponent Further saith, That the said R.L.F. Jones 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 his 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. 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 deponent's subscribing his name as an attesting witness thereto, as aforesaid, the said R.L.F. Jones 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.

Z. M. Wilson (SEAL)
W. W. Crowell (SEAL)

Severally sworn and subscribed this 18th day of April, 1896, before me.
J. L. Cathey, C.S.C.

State of North Carolina,
Buncombe County.

says

Jesse Morgan, A.H. Felmet and H.C. Jones being duly sworn each for himself that he is well acquainted with the handwriting of R.L.F. Jones having often seen him write and he verily believes that the paper writing purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of R.L.F. Jones deceased, bearing date the 20th day of December 1895, and now here shown to the Court and offered for probate and every part thereof and the paper writing following said last named paper writing and on the same sheet of paper and purporting to be the a Codicil to said Last Will and Testament dated the 20th day of December 1895, and every part of said paper writing so purporting to be a codicil, are each and in every part in the handwriting of said R.L.F. Jones,

Jesse W. Morgan
A.H. Felmet
H.C. Jones.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 18th day of April, 1896.
J. L. Cathey, C.S.C.

Elura Jones, widow of R.L.F. Jones, being by me duly sworn says that the paper writing above described as the Will of R.L.F. Jones and a codicil thereto was delivered by the said R.L.F. Jones in her hands for safe keeping.

Elura J. Jones.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 18th day of April, 1896.
J. L. Cathey, C.S.C.

Upon the hearing of the within affidavits it is adjudged that the paper writings therein ~~subscribed~~ referred to as the Last Will and Testament of R.L.F. Jones and the codicil thereto, is the Last Will and Testament of R.L.F. Jones. Let the same be recorded as such this April, 18th, 1896.

J. L. Cathey, C.S.C.

State of North Carolina
County of Buncombe

} Superior Court

In re the last will
and Testament of Lavinia
S. Mason.

It appearing to the satisfaction of the Court from the exemplification of the aforesaid hereafter mentioned, that the last will and Testament of Lavinia S. Mason, a citizen of the County of Hudson and State of New Jersey, has been duly proved and allowed in the proper Court of probate of said County and State, according to the laws of said State, and it further appearing to the Court that the said Lavinia S. Mason, left property in the County of Buncombe and State of North Carolina, it is thereupon ordered and adjudged that the exemplification of said will and of its probate in the proper Courts of the County of Hudson, in the State of New Jersey which is now produced and exhibited here in Court, duly attested and authenticated, as required by law of this State, be allowed, filed, and recorded in this Court.

This the 18th day of May 1896.

J. L. Cathey
Clerk Superior Court

Benjamin of the County of Hudson, New Jersey.
Charles S. Mason

515, Fulton St.

Brooklyn,

N.Y.

respectfully represents that he is the Executor named in the last will and Testament of Lavinia S. Mason, dated Sept. 12th A.D. 1892, and codicil thereto dated Sept. 28/93.

That said Lavinia S. Mason, departed this life, at Asheville N.C., on the 3rd day of October A.D. 1894 being at the time of her death, resident of said County of Hudson and State of N.J. and leaving her surviving as her heirs at law, and next of kin the following named persons to wit:

Charles S. Mason, a son of said decedent