

being exhibited before me, together with the proofs of the witnesses touching the execution of the said instrument

It is therefore adjudged that the said paper writing and every part thereof is the last will and testament of the said Larue & Guttry, that the same has been duly proved, and the same, together with this order and the proofs and examinations as taken above are ordered to be recorded and filed

And therefore the said Solomon J. Luther the Executor of the said will, duly qualified as such by taking the oath required by law

C. W. Herndon
Clerk Superior Court

North Carolina } In the Superior Court
Buncombe County } Before W. J. Reynolds Clerk
of the Superior Court

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of R. W. Pulliam deceased being offered for Probate, and it appearing that the same was and is a holograph will and found among the valuable papers of the deceased, Laurence Pulliam is caused to appear in Court, and thereupon he deposes and says as follows, after having been duly sworn according to law: That the said paper writing was found by him in the safe of C. W. De Vault in the City of Asheville in a drawer in said safe, kept as a private drawer of the deceased for the purpose of keeping therein his valuable papers, and of which drawer the deceased had a right the key; and that the said paper purporting to be said last will and testament was so found by affiant among the other and valuable papers of the deceased - And that the same paper so found is the identical paper here offered for Probate

Laurence Pulliam

Sworn & subscribed before me
this 23rd Feb'y 1886

W. J. Reynolds
C. J. C.

Asheville N. C. Carolina
April 1st 1885

I R. W. Pulliam having reached, within a few days, the anniversary of my seventy seventh birth day, which will occur on the 27th day of this month and being admonished by increasing infirmities that my life must soon terminate I proceed now to execute this my last will and testament which I do in behalf of my beloved children, and for the administration of the same, I hereby appoint my son Laurence Pulliam my executor and request and hereby direct that he shall not be required to give bond with security as I have the most implicit confidence in his integrity and responsibility

First, be it known, that, many years ago, I executed a deed which was duly recorded in the Registers books for the County of Buncombe to that portion of Real Estate in the town of Asheville on which is my dwelling house the store now occupied by W. T. Weaver and the store now occupied by C. W. De Vault and Laurence Pulliam also the lot around my old wood stable East of the public square whereby the said property should become the property of my children in equal portions, share and share alike after I should have passed away. I have no disposition now to revoke or change that instrument and I hereby request and instruct my said Executor to facilitate and consummate the provisions of that instrument in a manner most agreeable to a majority of my legates with the least practicable delay and avoid all social friction or unkind feeling

The Building occupied by C. W. De Vault who is the husband of my daughter Laura, and Laurence Pulliam as a Drug Store was intended a few years ago for the purpose and in the erection provision was made that the upper story of said building be used for offices

C. W. De Vault who is the husband of my daughter Ella advanced towards its erection the sum of two thousand (\$2000) dollars, with an understanding and agreement that he have the use of the upper story for his own and other offices in lieu of interest on the said two thousand dollars whilst the said C. W. De Vault and Laurence Pulliam should use the ground floor room and basement for Drug Store purposes, they having agreed to keep said building insured for two thousand dollars and pay taxes for same amount which has been done and having been done

is regarded as full consideration and no additional rent is intended ever to be charged. It is intended by me that the outlay of the said C M McLoud of the said Two thousand dollars shall be repaid to him and to the end it may be certainly done I have executed a Deed of Trust or Mortgage upon other property, viz the Brick building on the South East Corner of the public square on land I acquired subsequent to the date of the first named instrument herein the building originally designed for a Carriage Factory and also upon a lot and house on South end of Bailey Street occupied by Mr Boardman which house and lot I purchased of Rev Joseph Miller

I desire and hereby instruct my said Executor as soon he can or with the least practicable delay after my death to sell the said Brick building and house and lot and all other property both real and personal, collect all money that may be due me and from the proceeds of such sales and collections pay the said C M McLoud the said sum of Two thousand dollars and all other legal demands against my estate

I have two notes signed by C W DeWalt and Laurence Pulliam amounting in the aggregate with interests estimated to the 1st day of March 1885 to thirteen hundred sixty three dollars and twenty five cents the same being for money advanced to them for use in their Drug business which notes I voluntarily do surrender to them for a consideration named in a separate article of agreement and I hereby instruct that no charge additional shall be made against them in the settlement of my estate. It is furthermore my desire and I hereby instruct my said Executor to use of my funds remaining in hands after payment the said C M McLoud the said Two thousand dollars and all other legal demands against my estate for his own account the sum one thousand dollars which is intended to aid him in adding another story to his dwelling house. It is intended and I hereby instruct that the said thousand dollars be not charged to him but shall be regarded by him as full compensation for his services in the settlement of my estate as executor of this my last will and testament

After the foregoing provisions and stipulations are fully complied with I desire and hereby instruct that the residue be equally divided among all my children share and share alike And now commending my soul to God through Jesus Christ I bid adieu to sublunary things and trust to meet my loved ones on the dawn of the eternal morning in the bright and better Land

R W Pulliam

North Carolina } Before W. D. Reynolds
Buncombe County } Clerk of the Superior Court

In the matter of the Probate of the last Will and Testament of the late R W Pulliam Deceased

A. J. Summey, of Aston and J. E. Reed being each duly separately sworn each for himself do say that he was well acquainted with the late R W Pulliam of the city of Asheville and that he was also well acquainted with his hand writing, having often seen him write and seen his hand writing and verily believe that the name of said R W Pulliam subscribed to the said will and the said will itself and the whole and every part thereof are in the proper handwriting of the said R W Pulliam and that the said handwriting is generally known to the friends and acquaintances of the said R W Pulliam
A. J. Summey
of Aston
J. E. Reed
Sworn & subscribed to before me
this 27th day of February 1886

It is further adjudged that the said paper writing and every part thereof is the last Will and Testament of the said R W Pulliam, that the same has been duly proved and the same together with this order, the proofs and examinations as taken in the matter of the said will are ordered to be recorded and filed

And thereupon Laurence Pulliam the Executor of the said Will as therein named duly qualified as such by taking the oath required by law