

This is the last will of Me Appleton
Oaksmith, now residing at Beaufort in the
County of Carteret State of North Carolina
in the United States of America formerly
Merchant, Master Mariner and Ship owner.

I give devise and bequeath all my
Property, real, personal and mixed, wherever
and whosoever situated, and whosoever in-
volved unto my dear wife Augusta Oaksmith (formerly
Augusta Mason); for her own use and benefit
absolutely having full confidence that she will
use the same judiciously for the benefit of me
and my children. And I hereby appoint the
said Augusta sole guardian of my daughter
Elizabeth and Corinne and my son Randolph
(children by my former unhappy marriage)
commending them to her especial tenderness
and care - but in case she dies before me I
give all my said property to my children in
equal proportion, and I appoint Ellen Mason
Appleton, only surviving sister of my wife
Augusta, now a member of my household, executrix
of this my Will and Guardian of all my
children. In case of the demise of the said
Ellen Mason I appoint my mother Mrs Elizabeth
Oaksmith of "The Willows" Patchogue L.I. in the
County of Suffolk State of New York (or wherever
she may hereafter reside) Executrix of this Will
and Guardian of all my children.

It is my desire that my beloved
children who are above specially named
should never countenance, acknowledge, or have
any communication or correspondence with
Mrs Isotta Akochini their unnatural mother
and under all circumstances I desire that
during their minority she shall not in any
manner be permitted to visit or interfere with them.

and I further desire that they will always confer
with, and be guided by the advice of my said wife
Augusta, when they shall have passed from under
her legal guardianship, as I have always felt and
now especially feel, the utmost faith in her
judgment and purity of Character.

Dated Beaufort N.C. this tenth day of March
in the year one thousand eight hundred and twenty three
Appleton Oaksmith

Signed by the said Testator
and for his last Will and
Testament in the presence of
witnesses at the same time,
that at his request, in his
presence, and in the presence
of each other, have hereunto
subscribed our names as witnesses.

Wm B Duncan Merchant of Beaufort N.C.
Benj L Perry, Merchant of Newbern N.C.

State of North Carolina
Carteret County

The foregoing
paper writing purporting to be the last Will
and Testament of Appleton Oaksmith is
submitted for Probate by Augusta Oaksmith
the devise therein named, and the execution
thereof proved by the oaths and examination of
Wm B Duncan and Benj L Perry the Subscribing
Witnesses thereto, who swear that they saw
the said Appleton Oaksmith execute the same
as his last Will and Testament; that they
witnessed it in his presence and at his
request and at the time of its execution.

the said Appleton Oaksmith was of sound mind and memory and of full age to execute a will.

The said paper containing is therefore adjudged to be the last Will and Testament of the said Appleton Oaksmith and the same is admitted to Probate and ordered to be registered. Witness my hand and official seal this 23rd day of December A.D. 1890

(L.S.)

Jon. D. Davis
Clerk Superior Court

In the name of God. Amen

I, Charles R. Thomas do make public and declare my last will and testament in manner following to wit:

I devise to my dearly beloved wife Emily Thomas, during her natural life the house and lot whereon we now reside in Raleigh as lot number one hundred and two of the plan of the City of New Bern, which lot I purchased of Mrs. Annie E. Sarracore by deed dated, April 12th 1873, and registered in Book No 74 folios 613 & 614 in the office of the Register of Deeds, of Craven County and the remainder in fee in said lot, I devise to my sons Charles James, Frederick D. John S. and Herbert R. Thomas.

I bequeath my household & kitchen furniture and miscellaneous books to my wife and my law books & office furniture to my son James Thomas

I constitute and appoint my wife Guardian of my minor children and executrix of my estate, and Charles R. Thomas & James Thomas my sons, Executors thereof

My executrix and executors or any two of them are authorized and empowered to sell any or all of the residue of my estate, and I direct that the same be divided among my children who are minors and paid to my wife as Guardian for the maintenance and education of such my sons as are under twenty one years at the death of my wife

All my just debts are first to be paid and the and the necessary expense of a plain and simple burial.

In testimony whereof I have at New Bern North Carolina signed sealed this paper December 10th 1885 in the presence of the witnesses who are requested to attest the same

C. R. Thomas (Seal)

Witness

L. S. Oile

E. C. Roberts

State of North Carolina Craven County

I W. M. Watson Clerk of the Superior Court in and for the County and State aforesaid do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full true and correct copy of the last will and testament of C. R. Thomas deceased filed and admitted to Probate in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court on the 26th day of February A.D. 1891 and recorded in Book E folio 557 of said County. Witness my hand and official seal this 26th day of February A.D. 1891

(L.S.)

W. M. Watson Clerk
Superior Court
Craven Co. N.C.