

I, William T. Gates of Carter County, North Carolina being of sound and disposing mind and memory, make publish and declare this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following, Viz:—

I give, devise and bequeath to my beloved wife Nancy T. Gates, for and during the term of her natural life, all of my real and personal property, of what kind and description, whatsoever, belonging to me at the time of my death and after her death I give, devise and bequeath the said property to my Step sons Joseph S. Morse and William A. Morse, to them and their heirs forever.

And lastly, I constitute and appoint my said wife, Executrix and said Step sons, Executors of this my last will and testament.

In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal this 18th day of August 1894

William T. Gates

Witnesses

James Willis
W. P. Adams

North Carolina
Carter County

The above foregoing writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of William T. Gates is exhibited before me and the due execution of the

same is proven by the oaths and examination of James Willis and W. P. Adams the subscribing witnesses thereto. The said paper writing is therefore adjudged to be the last will and Testament of William T. Gates and the same is admitted to probate and ordered to be registered.

Witness my hand this 11th day of January 1895

L. J. Garner

Clerk Superior Court

State of North Carolina } In the Superior Court
Carter County } Before L. J. Garner
Clerk Superior Court

In the matter of the Will of

John Hardisty

Wm. H. Bell being duly sworn deposes that Wm. Hardisty late of said County, is dead, having first made and published his last Will and Testament; and that Wm. H. Bell is the executor named therein.

Further, that the property of the said Wm. Hardisty consisting of household goods, furniture, farming utensils and stock is worth about \$310, so far as can be ascertained at the date of this application and that Julia Bell is the party entitled under said will to the said property.

Wm. H. Bell

Subscribed and sworn to and subscribed

before me, this 19th day of April 1895

L. J. Garner Clerk Superior Court