

Last Will and Testament of A. J. Abernethy

North Carolina
Catawba County

I, A. J. Abernethy do make and constitute this my last Will and Testament revoking and making of no force any former Will.

First I will and direct that all my just debts be paid together with my funeral expenses.

Then I will and bequeath to my wife Paulina S. Abernethy all of my real estate including my Gabriel Grass farm of one hundred acres adjoining John Pink and others, also an undivided half interest in another tract known as the Sicles tract adjoining Daul Rowe and others (the other half owned by A. S. Abernethy) also my six lots in the town of Hickory on one of which I now live, together with all my personal property, including notes and accounts due me or money on hand, in short all of my property real and personal of every description and kind, to be kept and used by her my said wife for her now support and maintenance, and that of our minor children, all the foregoing property I will and bequeath to my wife Paulina S. Abernethy during her life time or widowhood, should she again marry, then I will and direct that my estate be then administered and settled and divided amongst my children just as it would be under the laws of North Carolina if no will had been made.

I hereby constitute and appoint my said wife Paulina S. Abernethy my executrix of this my will and trustee for my minor children.

Witness my hand and seal this 2nd day of march, 1885.

A. J. Abernethy

Signed sealed and declared to be the last Will of the Testator and witnessed at his request and in his presence and in the presence of each other, date above written

Witness

H. C. Hamilton
Philo Hall

North Carolina } In the Superior Court.
Catawba County }

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of A. J. Abernethy, Decd. is exhibited for probate in open Court by Paulina S. Abernethy, the executrix therein named, and it is therefore proven upon the oath of P. C. Hall that H. C. Hamilton one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, is dead.

And it is further proven that the said Hall is well acquainted with the handwriting of the said deceased witness, having often seen him write, and that the name H. C. Hamilton, subscribed as a witness to said will, is the handwriting of said Hamilton.

It is therefore considered by the Court that the said name of said H. C. Hamilton was placed there by said Hamilton on said paper writing in the presence of and at the request of the said A. J. Abernethy, and it is further considered and adjudged that said paper writing is the last will and testament and each and every part thereof is the last will and testament of the said A. J. Abernethy, deceased, and the same is ordered to be recorded and filed.

This the 9th day of June, 1900.

L. H. Phillips

Clerk Superior Court.