

State of North Carolina ss In the Probate Court
Catawba County

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and
testament of Elvira E. Shuford, deceased, is exhibited
upon me the undersigned C. J. C. for said County,
by J. B. Heyman the Executor therein mentioned,
and the due execution thereof by the said Elvira
E. Shuford, is proven by the oath of James
Town of J. L. Johnson & R. P. Akin the subscribing
witness thereto; who being duly sworn, doth
depose and say And each for himself depose
and swear, that he is a subscribing witness to the
paper writing now shown him, purporting to be the
last will and testament of Elvira E. Shuford, that
the said Elvira E. Shuford in the presence of the depo-
sants, subscribed her name at the end of said paper
writing which was shown as aforesaid, and which has
date of the 28th day of February 1886.

And the deponents further swear, that the said Elvira
E. Shuford, the testatrix aforesaid, did, at the time of sub-
scribing her name as aforesaid, declare the said paper
writing to be subscribed by her and intended to be her last
will and testament; and this deponent did then
upon 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 testatrix.

And this deponent further swears, that at the
said time, when the said testatrix subscribed her
name to the said last will and testament as aforesaid
and at the time of deponents subscribing his
name as an attesting witness thereto, as aforesaid
the said Elvira E. Shuford was of sound mind and
memory, of full age to execute a will, and was not
under any restraint in the knowledge, information
or belief of the deponents; And further the
deponents say and

J. L. Johnson (sworn)
R. P. Akin (sworn)

Sworn to and Subscribed
before me this March 15th 1886

P. A. Hoyle C. J.

See other proceedings in Book of Appointment of Executors

Last Will of Elsie Maxwell

I, Elsie Maxwell Maxwell of the County of Ca-
tawba, and State of North Carolina, on this 4th
day of February in the year of our Lord 1886 do
make, ordain and publish this my last will and
testament

1st It is my will that my sister Melissa Maxwell
shall have all my property, both real and personal,
consisting of household furniture and land so long
as she may live

2nd That at her death it is my desire that
it shall be equally divided between her two sons,
Amy Maxwell and Minor Alexander

3rd I make and nominate Melissa Maxwell
my Executor.

I hereunto set my hand and seal the
day and year before written.

Signed, sealed in the presence of
Elsie Maxwell
and A. B. Miller.

Proven by M. R. Maxwell on Apr. 5th 1886 and
by A. B. Miller May 1st 1886.

See probate in full on next page
P. A. Hoyle C. J.

Portale of Eliza Howell's Last Will,

State of North Carolina } In the Superior Court
Catawba County }

A paper purporting to be the last will and testament
of Eliza Howell deceased, is exhibited before me the
undersigned C. J. for said County, by

Portale of

Eliza Howell's
Will

And the true execution by the said
Eliza Howell is proven by the oath and examination
two of W. R. Howell and J. B. Miller, the subscribing
witnesses thereto, who, being duly sworn, each depose
and say that each for himself depose and say
that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing
now shown being purporting to be the last will and
testament of Eliza Howell; And the said Eliza
Howell, in the presence of this deponent sub-
scribed hereunto at the end of said paper writing
which now shown as aforesaid, and which bears
date of 4th day of February 1863.

And the deponent further says that the said Eliza
Howell by testament aforesaid, did at the time of sub-
scribing her name as aforesaid, declare the said paper
writing to be subscribed by her and exhibited to be her last
will and testament, and this deponent did then
upon subscription his name at the end of said will as
an attesting witness thereto and at the request and
in the presence of the said testatrix.

And this deponent further says that at the
said time when the said testatrix subscribed her
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 Eliza Howell was
of sound mind and memory, of full age to execute
a will and was not under any restraint to the point
edge, information to the belief of this deponent.

And further than deponent says not.

W. R. Howell
J. B. Miller

Small sworn and subscribed
before me 3rd Apr. & 1st May 1863

R. W. Boyle C. J.

Last will and testament of James Howell.

I, James Howell, of the County of Catawba and
State of N. Carolina being of sound mind and memory,
but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence,
do make and declare this my last will and testament
in manner and form following:

First that my greater heirs in law named shall
provide for my body a decent burial and pay all
funeral expenses together with my just debts of any
out of the monies that may come into her hands as
a part or parcel of my estate.

Second, I give and devise unto my beloved wife, Call of
my property, whatever it may consist of (James H. Howell)

And lastly, I do hereby, constitute and appoint my
wife James H. Howell my lawful executor to all intents
and purposes to execute this my last will and testam-
ent according to the true meaning thereof, hereby re-
volving and declaring nothing void all other acts
by me hereafter made. In witness whereof I the said
James Howell do hereunto set my hand & seal.

This 1st day of May 1863

James Howell, Seal

Signed and sealed in the
presence of
J. Cornelius
Spencer Monday.

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scribed hereunto at the end of said paper writing
which now shown as aforesaid and which bears
date of 4th day of February 1862.

And the deponent further saith that the said Eliza
Howell by testament aforesaid, did at the time of sub-
scribing her name as aforesaid, declare the said paper
writing to be subscribed by her and exhibited to be her last
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a will and was not under any restraint to the point
edge, information to the belief of this deponent.
And further that deponent so say not.

W. R. Howell
J. B. Miller

Small sworn and subscribed
upon and 3rd Apr. & 1st May 1862

R. W. Hoyle C. J.

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volving and declaring nothing void all other acts
by me hereafter made. In witness whereof I the said
James Howell do hereunto set my hand & seal.

This the 20th of May 1862

James Howell, Seal

Signed and sealed in the
presence of
J. Cornelius
Spencer Monday.