

State of North Carolina,
Catawba County

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I, James Bonnumwell of Hickory, Catawba County, North 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 that is to say:

My executors, hereinafter named, shall provide for my body a proper burial suitable to the wishes of my relations and pay all expenses so incurred out of the monies that may first come into their hands as a part of my estate. I do hereby also pay my just debts, pay and to whomsoever owing out of the funds first in their hands.

I give and devise unto my beloved wife Mary P. Bonnumwell my dwelling house and lot in the City of Hickory, County and State aforesaid, on Main Street adjoining the railroad property of F. J. J. and along together with all the furnishings of whatever kind or character in my said residence situated, to have and to hold to her the said Mary P. Bonnumwell during the term of her natural life, if she does not remarry or while she remains my widow - and the satisfaction for and in lieu of her dower and thirds of and in my real estate. I further direct that my executors shall set apart out of the monies first available for the purpose the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5000.00) which sum they shall proceed to invest in good and safe securities at a legal rate of interest and that the interest or income arising from this fund shall be paid to my said wife Mary P. Bonnumwell for her maintenance and support in monthly installments if possible so to do during the term of her natural life if she does not remarry or while she

remains my widow. In the event of the death of my executors during the execution of this last will shall pass to such person or persons as they may have designated provided that such person or persons shall first enter into bond in the sum of ten thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) for the faithful discharge of the duties herebefore mentioned.

I give and bequeath unto each of the two sons of my son Eugene Bonnumwell by his first wife (whose maiden name was) Emily Whitbread the sum of One hundred Dollars (\$100.00) and to John N. N. son of my deceased daughter Julia N. who once lived with me the sum of One hundred Dollars (\$100.00) and this in addition to his share of my estate as one of the heirs of my said daughter Julia deceased. I direct that the three above bequests shall be paid by my executors out of the portion of my estate hereinafter given to my son Eugene Bonnumwell and that he shall also be charged by my executors with the note for One hundred Dollars (\$100.00) and interest which I hold against him.

Subject to the foregoing provision, I give and bequeath all the personal property remaining at my death as follows:

To my son George P. Bonnumwell one share; to my son Frank B. Bonnumwell one share; to my son Edward B. Bonnumwell one share; to my daughter Emma M. Shields wife of Henry M. Shields one share; to my son Eugene Bonnumwell one share; to the children of my deceased daughter Julia N. one share between them - these said shares to be equal in all respects; and when my said wife dies or remarries my will is that the property both real and personal herebefore conveyed to her shall be divided among my children and the children of my deceased daughter Julia excepting as to other personal property here bequeathed to them.

It is furthermore my will and

desire that in the event of the death of my daughter Louisa M. Shields before receiving the whole of her bequest herein, her said, portion or whatever it remains, shall be paid to her husband Edwin D. Shields and as Mabel take one of the children of my deceased daughter Julia is a minor I hereby appoint my daughter Louisa M. Shields her guardian to invest for portion of my said granddaughter Mabel for her benefit until she becomes of age.

And finally, I do hereby constitute and appoint George C. Bannum of Pickens South Carolina and Emanuel B. Bannum of Charleston Ga. my lawful executors to all intents and purposes, to execute this my last will and testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same and every part and clause thereof upon their entering into bond with good and sufficient sureties in the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) for the faithful discharge of their duties.

And I hereby revoke and declare null and void all other wills and testaments by me heretofore made.

In witness whereof, I the said James Bannum, do hereunto set my hand and seal this the 4th day of December 1893.

James Bannum Test.

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the said James Bannum to be his last will and testament in the presence of us who at his request and in his presence do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto.

W. B. Mungus
J. S. Propst.

North Carolina } In the Superior Court
Catawba County } Before the Clerk

In the matter of the Will
of James Bannum Deceased

A paper purporting to be the last will and testament of James Bannum, deceased has this day exhibited to me by Geo. C. Bannum one of the executors named in said will and he having made and certified before me the affidavit required by law the said will is therefore proven before me upon the oath and examination of W. B. Mungus and J. S. Propst the subscribing witnesses, here to who being by me duly sworn depose and say as follows to wit:

We solemnly swear that we witnessed the execution of the said will by the said James Bannum, that we witnessed the same in his presence and at his request; that at the time of the execution of the same he was of sound mind and capable of making a will and was not under any delusion or the knowledge, information and belief of these deponents that further these deponents say not.

W. B. Mungus

J. S. Propst.

Sworn to before me
This March 13th 1894.

J. F. Kernan, C. C.