

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

A paper purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of Lazarus Ditz, deceased, is exhibited, upon which the undersigned Clerk of Court for said County, viz. H. P. Ditz, son of the executor therein mentioned, and the due execution thereof by the said Lazarus Ditz is proven by the oath and examination of John Whiting and J. C. Whiting the subscribing witnesses thereto, who being duly sworn, both depose and say, and each for himself depose and swear, that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of Lazarus Ditz, in the presence of this deponent, subscribed his name at the end of said paper writing now shown, at aforesaid, and which bears the date of the 24th day of March, 1894.

And the Deponent further saith, that the said Lazarus Ditz, the testator aforesaid, did at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid, declare the said paper writing to be his Last Will and Testament, and this deponent did thereupon 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 testator. And this deponent further saith, that at the said time when the said testator subscribed his name at the end of said Will as an attesting witness thereto, and at the request and in the presence of the said testator. And

this deponent further saith, that at the said time when the said testator subscribed his 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 Lazarus Ditz was of sound mind and memory, of full age to execute a will, and was not under any restraint to the knowledge, information or belief of this deponent; and further these deponents say not.

Phil Whiting Seal
 J. C. Whiting Seal

Solemnly sworn and
 subscribed this 31st day
 of July, 1894, before me.

J. F. Hermans, C. L. C.

Statesville, N. C.
 April 20, 1894

21 J. James Brown of the County of Catawba, State of North Carolina, do hereby Will and declare this to be my Last Will and Testament. To wit:

I will and bequeath all my property in equal proportion to my children.

I hereby appoint Osborne Brown and Esther Ellen Brown as my executor and executrix of this my Last Will and Testament.

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A paper writing without being witnessed purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of James Brown deceased is exhibited for probate in

common forms, in open Court by Osborne Brown and Esther Ellen Brown the executors therein named; and it is thereupon proved by the oath and examination of Osborne Brown and Esther Ellen Brown that the said Will was found among the valuable papers and effects of said James Brown after his death. And it is further proved by the oath and examination of the competent and credible witnesses to wit: Samuel Turner J. V. Bridges and M. T. Sanders, that they are acquainted with the hand writing of the said James Brown, having before seen him write, and had other opportunities of knowing the same. And that the signature "James Brown" written in said Will and said Will itself, and every part thereof is in the handwriting of the said James Brown. And it is further proved, by the evidence of the three last named witnesses, that the said handwriting is generally known to the acquaintances of said James Brown.

It is thereupon considered by the Court that the said paper writing, it the Lat Will and Testament of the said James Brown, and the same is ordered to be recorded and filed.

Subscribed and sworn
to before me
this 5th day of
October, 1874.
J. F. Hermann, C. J. C.

Osborne Brown
Esther Ellen Brown
Samuel Turner
J. V. Bridges
M. T. Sanders