

Will of John Hawn Sen.

North Carolina, Catawba County.

I John Hawn Sen. of the County and State aforesaid being of sound mind but Considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence do make and declare this my last Will and Testament.

First  
my executors herein after named shall give my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my friends and relatives and pay all funeral expenses together with all my just debt out of the first money which may come into their hands belonging to my estate.

Second.  
That after my death all my personal property to be sold at public sale and pay all my just debts out of the same.

Third  
The remainder if any is to be equally divided among my children, namely Martha E. Bangs wife of Marcellus Bangs, Sarah S. Simon wife of Jesse Simon, John R. Hawn, Barbara J. Hawn wife of W. M. Hawn, Polly Esthawn wife of Lawson Hawn (dead), Constance M. Whiteman wife of James R. Whiteman.

Fourth  
I hereby constitute and appoint my trusty friends John R. Hawn, James R. Whiteman, Wesley M. Hawn 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 hereby revoking and declaring utterly void all other Wills and Testaments by me herefore made.

In witness whereof I the said John Hawn do hereunto set my hand and seal.

This 16<sup>th</sup> day of February 1897.

*John Hawn* (Seal)

Signed sealed published and declared by the said John Hawn 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.

Attest

S. E. Killian  
W. C. Young

State of North Carolina  
Catawba County } \$1 for the Superior Court

A paper purporting to be the last Will and Testament of John Hawn Sen. deceased is exhibited before me the undersigned, Clerk of the Superior Court for said County, by John R. Hawn James R. Whiteman Wesley M. Hawn, the executors therein mentioned, and the above execution thereof by the said John Hawn Sen. deceased by the oath and examination of S. E. Killian W. C. Young the Subscribing Witnesses thereto; who being duly sworn, doth depose and say and each for himself deposeth and saith, that, that he is a Subscribing witness to the said paper-writing now shown him, purporting to be the last Will and Testament of John Hawn Sen. That the said John Hawn Sen.

In the presence of this deponent subscribed his name at the end of said paper-writing, which is now shown as aforesaid, and which bears date of the 16<sup>th</sup> day of February 1897. And the deponent further saith, that the said John Hawn Sen. the testator aforesaid, did at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid declare the said paper-writing so subscribed by him, and exhibited 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 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 the deponents subscribing his name as an attesting witness thereto, as aforesaid, the said John Hawn Sen. 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 <sup>and</sup> further these deponents say not.

S. E. Killian  
W. C. Young

Sworn and Subscribed, this  
15<sup>th</sup> day of Dec. 1898, before me  
L. H. Phillips  
Clerk of Superior Court

North Carolina } ss. In Superior Court  
Catawba County }

It is therefore considered and adjudged by the  
Court that the said paper writing and every part thereof  
is the last Will and Testament of John Hawn sen.  
deceased. Let the said Will, together with the probate,  
be recorded and filed.

This 15<sup>th</sup> day of December 1898.

L. A. Phillips

Clerk Superior Court