

North Carolina

Catawba County

In Probate Court.

The execution of the foregoing will by Marcus Fry, this day duly proved by the oath and examination of Philip Burns & Eliza R. Cline subscribing witnesses thereto. Admitted to Probate and recorded Oct. 9th 1871.

Wiles L. Sherrill

Judge of Probate.

The last Will and Testament of Lawson Fry.

Application for letters Testamentary.

Catawba County

In the Probate Court

In the matter of the will of

Lawson Fry

By Wiles L. Sherrill

Judge of Probate

Lawson Fry
deceasedAmanda Fry
and
Eli A. Warlick,
ExecutorsTheir names
duly qualified.

Amanda Fry & E. A. Warlick being sworn doth say: That Lawson Fry, late of said County, is dead having first made and published his last will and Testament and that they are the executors named therein. Further, that the property of said Lawson Fry consisting of real and personal property is worth about-

so far as can be ascertained at the date of this application, and that Amanda Fry, Lucy Fry, Charles Laura Mary Ellen & Harry Fry are the parties entitled under said will to said property.

Sworn to and subscribed before me

this 18 day of October 1871 }
Wiles L. Sherrill }
Probate Judge

M. A. Fry

E. A. Warlick

In the name of God Amen!

I Lawson Fry, of the County of Catawba and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory, but feeble in body and being desirous of making some disposition of the worldly goods with which God has blessed me, do make ordain and publish this my last will and Testament as follows.

I will, bequeath, and devise unto my beloved wife Amanda, during her natural life or widowhood, all my real and personal property of every kind whatsoever in trust for herself and our children subject to the following restrictions and limitations, to wit, as my children become of age or marry, then my beloved wife shall give them off such portion of the property as she in her discretion may think she can spare, after the maintenance of herself and the younger children and their proper education and such child shall account for the same in the final distribution of my estate.

North Carolina }
Catawba County } In Probate Court.

The execution of the foregoing will by Marcus Fry, this day duly proved by the oath and examination of Philip Burns & Ezra D. Coline subscribing witnesses thereto. Admitted to Probate and recorded Oct. 9th 1871

Wiles L. Sherill
Judge of Probate.

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Catawba County } In the Probate Court

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Before Wiles L. Sherill
Judge of Probate

Amanda Fry & Eli A. Warlick being sworn, doth say:
That Lawson Fry, late of said County, is dead having first made and published his last will and Testament; and that they are the executors named therein. Further, that the property of said Lawson Fry, consisting of real and personal property is worth about -

so far as can be ascertained at the date of this application; and that Amanda Fry, Lucy Fry, Charles Laura Mary Ellen & Harry Fry are the parties entitled under said will to said property.
Sworn to and subscribed before me
this 18 day of October 1871 }
Wiles L. Sherill }
Probate Judge }
H. A. Fry
E. A. Warlick

In the name of God Amen!

I Lawson Fry, of the County of Catawba and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory, but feeble in body and being desirous of making some disposition of the worldly goods with which God has blessed me, do make ordain and publish this my last will and Testament as follows.

I will, bequeath, and devise unto my beloved wife Amanda, during her natural life or widowhood, all my real and personal property of every kind whatsoever in trust for herself and our children subject to the following restrictions and limitations, to wit: as my children become of age or marry, then my beloved wife shall give them off such portion of the property as she in her discretion may think she can spare, after the maintenance of herself and the younger children and their proper education and such child shall account for the same in the final distribution of my estate.

I I will and bequeath that my executors hereafter named shall pay off all my just debts and funeral expenses out of any money that may come into their hands after my decease.

III I will and direct that my executors shall carry on the mercantile business with my esteemed friend and relation Alfred Smyer or any other discreet ^{person} in the same manner as if I were living, for such length of time as they may find it to be profitable to my estate and they can agree with my said partner or with such other discreet and safe person - and to enable them to do so I authorize them to use either of my store houses and such money and effects of my estate as they may and for that purpose.

IV I will and bequeath that if my beloved wife should marry then my property shall be divided between her, and my children according to the statute of distribution and, as in case of intestacy of myself.

V I will and appoint my friend C. A. Warlick guardian of my sons Charlie and Harry.

VI I will and appoint my beloved wife Amanda guardian of my daughters Lucy, Laura and Mary Ellen.

VII I hereby appoint my beloved wife Amanda and my trusty friend Eli A. Warlick the executrix and executor of this my last will and testament.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto placed my hand and seal this 14 day of August A.D. 1871

Lawsom Fry 

Signed sealed and published in presence of us

Test A. M. Smyer

H. S. Gill

August 14th 1871.

North Carolina } In the Probate
Catawba County } Court

The execution of the foregoing paper writing was this 17th day of Oct. 1871 duly proved to be the last will and testament of Lawsom Fry dec. by the oath & examination of A. M. Smyer & H. S. Gill subscribing witnesses thereto.

Said will & certificate of Probate together with application to be recorded

Miles C. Sherrill
Judge of Probate.

The last Will and Testament of Miles Abernathy

Miles Abernathy In the name of God Amen I Miles Abernathy of the state of North Carolina and county of Catawba considering the uncertainty of ^{the mortal} life being of a sound and perfect disposing mind and memory blessed be Almighty God for the same do make and publish this my last will and testament

A. J. Whitner
And

Philip Whisenant
Executors
qualified
Jan 2nd / 1872

in manner and form following I give unto my son Ito Abernathy all my land and plantation lying on Mountain Creek in the county and state aforesaid. Next I give unto my four daughters namely Sarah Polly Patsy & Eliza all my bedding and clothing and the balance of my property is to be sold and the money to be divided between my eight sons and daughters Equally.

I do hereby Appoint A. J. Whitner and Philip Whisenant of this my last will and testament to be my Executors of this my last will and testament witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 9th day of May 1868

Miles Abernathy 

Signed sealed published and signed by above named Miles Abernathy to be his last will and testament in presence of us who have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses in the presence of the testator

A. J. Whitner

Moses B. Whitner

Wm. Whisenant

North Carolina } In the Probate Court
Catawba County }

The execution of the foregoing paper writing as the last will & testament of Miles Abernathy, was this the 2nd January 1872 duly proved by the oath and examination of A. J. Whitner and Wm. Whisenant, subscribing witnesses thereto. Admitted to Probate.

Miles C. Sherrill

Judge of Probate

A. J. Whitner & Philip Whisenant
qualified as Executors Jan 2nd / 1872.