

The last will and Testament of Letisha Wilkenson

Letisha Wilkenson of the county of Catawba and state of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory but considering the uncertainty of any earthly existence do make and declare this my last will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say First: That my Executor (hereinafter named) shall provide for my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my relations and friends, and pay all funeral expenses together with my just debts howsoever and to whomsoever owing out of the monies that may first come into his hands as a part or parcel of my estate. Then first my will and desire is that my daughter Martha Ann McCombs have all my estate consisting of household and kitchen furniture live stock money and note and whatever else I may have remaining after the payment of my debts and funeral expenses to have and to hold forever to herself and the heirs of her body given under my hand and seal this 5th day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty nine

Attest J. A. Shenill
Attest E. P. Shenill

North Carolina }
Catawba County } In the Probate Court

The execution of the foregoing paper writing exhibited before me purporting to be the last will and Testament of Letisha Wilkenson dec. is duly proved by the oath and examination of J. A. Shenill & E. P. Shenill subscribing witnesses thereto

Wm. C. Shenill
Judge of Probate

The last will and Testament of Marcus Fry

Application for letters of administration

Marcus Fry
deceased

Catawba County } In the Probate Court

Margaret Fry
Administratrix
appointed
October 2nd 1871.

In the matter of administration of the estate of } Before
Marcus Fry } Wm. C. Shenill
Judge of Probate

Margaret E. Fry, being sworn solemnly say that Marcus Fry late of said county is dead, leaving a last will & Testament and that the Margaret E. Fry is the proper person entitled to letters of administration on the estate of said Marcus Fry. Further that the said estate so far as can be ascertained at the date of this application is about \$1500 and that Margaret E. Fry entitled as heir and distributee thereof.

Sworn to and subscribed before me
this 9th day of October 1871

Margaret E. Fry
her mark

Wm. C. Shenill,

Probate Judge.

Dec. 26. 1864

In the name of God Amen. In the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty four. I considering the uncertainty of life and frailty of body and mind and when in good health and of sound mind I make this my last will in manner & form following I will to my wife Margaret E. Fry all my land two tracts joining lands of John Fry & C. Wilson to have and to hold the same during her life and at her death to her heirs and I also will to my wife all my stock of all description and all my household and kitchen furniture and all my farming utensils and all and everything which I have any claim thereto to have and to hold the same during life and at her death to her heirs and my wife to chance or control things as she sees fit. I humbly set my hand and seal the day and year first above written.

Marcus X Fry
his mark

Test Philip Burns
Eliza R. Cline.

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

Niles 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 Niles L. Sherrill
Judge of Probate

Lawson Fry
deceased

Amanda Fry
and
Eli A. Warlick,
Executors

therein named
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 }
Niles 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
feble 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
Testimony 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
shall have interest 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.