

Last Will & Testament of Noah Barringer

In the name of God, Amen!
I Noah Barringer of the County of Catawba and State of North Carolina, being of sound mind and memory, but calling to mind the uncertainty of life and being desirous of making some disposition of the worldly goods with which it has pleased God to bless me do make ordain and publish this to be my last will and testament in manner and form following, That is to say:

I will and bequeath that my executor herein after named, shall pay first all my just debts and funeral expenses.

I will unto my beloved wife Eliza Dona during her life one third of all my lands and absolutely a child's part of all my personal property and a years allowance according to law.

I will and bequeath unto my daughter Mary Jane, wife of Robert Deal one dollar as her full share of my estate.

The balance of all my estate both real and personal and mixed I will and devise unto my other children share and share alike. However should my daughter Mary Jane have any child or children at my decease, I will that said child or children altogether shall have one half of a child's part, and should said child or children die without issue then the property given to said child or children shall go to my other children besides Mary Jane.

I hereby appoint my son Henry Franklin the sole executor of this my last will and testament revoking all other wills and testaments by me heretofore made.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto placed my hand and seal this the 8th day of August 1873

Signed sealed and published in presence of us

Noah Barringer (Seal)

Jonas Bline
J.C. Clapp

State of North Carolina
Catawba County

In the Superior Court
A paper writing purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of Noah Barringer deceased is exhibited for before me the undersigned, Clerk of the Superior Court for said County by Henry Franklin Barringer the executor, the said Barringer and the execution thereof by the said Noah Barringer proved by the oath and examination of J.C. Clapp one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, the latter being read and the identification of his signature being proved and proof of same hereto appended) who being duly sworn doth depose and say, that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown him, purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Noah Barringer that the said Noah Barringer in the presence of the deponent subscribed his name at the end of said paper writing, which is now shown as aforesaid, and which bears the date of the 8th day of August 1873.

That the said Noah Barringer, the testator aforesaid, did at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid, &c. have the said paper writing so subscribed by him and exhibited to be his last Will and Testament and that 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 the deponent further saith that at the time when the said testator subscribed his name to the said last Will as aforesaid, and at the time of deponent subscribing his name as an attesting witness thereto, as aforesaid, the said Noah Barringer 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 this deponent saith not

J.C. Clapp (Seal)

J.C. Clapp being duly sworn says that the statements foregoing are true to the best of his knowledge recollection and belief

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 27th day of August 1876
J.H. Royster
Clerk