

Will of William Rhoney.

State of N.C., Catawba County.

I, William Rhoney of the County of Catawba State aforesaid being of sound mind and memory but in feeble health and considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence, do make and declare this my last will and testament in manner and form following that is to say

Item 1st That my Executor hereinafter named, shall provide for my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my relatives and friends and pay all funeral expenses, together with my just debts if there be any however and to whomsoever owing, and also to provide tombstones for my grave out of the money, that may first come into hands as a part or parcel of my estate.

Item 2nd I give and devise to my son Jacob Rhoney the sum of one dollar to be paid my Executor out of any money that may come into his hand as part of my estate.

Item 3. I give and devise to my Grand Children The children and heirs of my son Frank Rhoney the sum of one dollar to be paid them by my Executor out of any money coming into his hands.

Item 4. I give and devise to my son William Rhoney Junior the sum of one dollar also to be paid by Executor as devised in the two former Items.

Item 5. I give and devise to my daughter Mary Ann Johnson wife of Richard Johnson and my daughter Harish Goodnight wife of Joe Goodnight and my daughter Susan Martin wife John Martin and my daughter Ella Hoyle wife of Jonas Hoyle and Katie Rudicill wife of Adolphus Rudicill Each the sum of one dollar to be paid to them by my Executor out of any part or parcel of my estate that may be in his hands.

Item 6. I give and devise to my youngest son Robert Lee Rhoney all my lands that I own said land lying in Sandys Township Catawba County joining lands of D. M. Brittain D. F. Rudicill and others and known as William Rhoney's home tract Containing 120 acres more or less to have and to hold said land with all the and the improvements of every kind to him and his heirs to their only use and behoof forever.

Item 7. I farther give and devise to my said son Robert Lee Rhoney all my personal property of every kind including my household and kitchen furniture and any other property of any other name or kind that I may have and I also give and devise to the said Robert Lee Rhoney all money and notes that I have, whoever said notes may be against.

Item 8th I hereby declare all wills that I have heretofore made entirely null and void.

Item 9th I finally appoint as my Executor my friend John Cook

to execute said will and to see that said will is executed in each and every item to every intent and purpose expressed therein.

Given under my hand seal this my last will and testament This 3rd day April 1897.

Witness A. P. Carpenter { his mark
D. A. Brendle { William X Rhoney (seal)

We hereby certify that we signed this the last will and testament as witnesses in his presence and at his request The last will and testament of William Rhoney.
Witnesses

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

A paper purporting to be the last Will and Testament of William Rhoney deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned, Clerk of the Superior Court for said County, by John A. Cook, the executor therein mentioned, (see his evidence hereto appended) and the due execution thereof by the said William Rhoney proved by the oath and examination of A. P. Carpenter & D. A. Brendle the subscribing witnesses thereto; who being duly sworn, doth depose and say, and each for himself depose and saith, that he is a subscribing witness to the paper-writing now shown him, purporting to be the last Will and Testament of William Rhoney; that the said William Rhoney 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 3rd day of April, 1897.

And the deponent further saith, That the said William Rhoney the testator aforesaid, did at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid, declare the said paper-writing as 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 same time when the said testator subscribed his name to the said last Will as aforesaid, and at the time of the deponent's subscribing his name as an attesting witness thereto, as aforesaid, the said William Rhoney 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.

Generally sworn and subscribed
this 21st day of May, 1898, before me.
L. M. Phillips } A. P. Carpenter
Clerk } D. A. Brendle

North Carolina, } ss. In the 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 William Rhoney, deceased. Let the said Will, together with the probate be recorded and filed.

This 7th day of April, 1900.

L. H. Phillips,
Clerk Superior Court.

The heirs at law and devisees of William Rhoney need with the exception of Robt. Lee Rhoney, Susan Martin, Jacob Rhoney, through L. L. Witherspoon their Atty. object to the probate of the said paper writing as being the last Will and Testament of William Rhoney

This March 21st 1900.

L. H. Phillips C. S. C.

North Carolina,
Catawba County,
May 15th 1897.

I, Daniel Hefner of the County of Catawba and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory, but considering my earthly existence, I make and declare this to be my last will and testament in manner and form as follows, to wit,

Item 1st I will, bequeath and devise to my trusty and worthy friend W. Pierce Deal all of my real estate, and all of my personal property, except my bedding, bedsteads and our clothing, which is to be equally divided among my girls.

Item 2nd. W. Pierce Deal is to be responsible for all of my just debts. He is to furnish me and my wife with food, and clothing, or anything that we may need during our life time.

Item 3rd He is to keep us plenty of fire wood.

Item 4th. He is to keep some one to wait on us during our life time.

Item 5th He is to have all the rents raised during the year 1897.

Item 6th He is to bury us decently and to pay all expenses.

Item 7th I do hereby revoke all former wills.

Item 8th I now hereby appoint my trusty friend W. Pierce Deal my lawful executor to all intents and meaning of this my last will and testament.

Whereof I hereunto affix my hand and seal

This the 15th day of May 1897.

Witness

C. S. Little }
L. M. Holler }

Daniel Hefner *Seals*

This will is to be held by L. M. Hollar.