

upon my death, go to and be divided among my children, who may then be living and the representatives of such as may be dead, other than the said one daughter.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal, this 12<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1924

Emma J. Nelson *Em*

Signed, Sealed, published and declared to be the last Will and Testament of Emma J. Nelson in the presence of us, who in her presence and at her instance and request, and in the presence of each other, hereunto subscribe our names as witnesses the day and year above written.

E. O. Christopher *E. O. Christopher*  
Dorothy Hunsley *Dorothy Hunsley*

Recorded April 27, 1928.

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

A paper writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of J. K. Bryson, deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned, clerk of the Superior Court for said county, by J. L. Rose the executor therein mentioned, and the due execution thereof by the said J. K. Bryson, is proved by the oath and examination of D. M. Birchfield and Ralph Moody, two of 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 J. K. Bryson; that the said J. K. Bryson, 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 20<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1927.

And this deponent further saith, that the said J. K. Bryson 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 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 attesting witness thereto, as aforesaid, the said J. K. Bryson 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

severally sworn and subscribed, this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of May, 1928, before me. } D. M. Birchfield  
Ralph Moody  
R. L. Hyatt, clerk Superior Court.

North Carolina } ss. In the Superior Court  
Cherokee County.

It is therefore considered and adjudged by the court that the said paper writing and part

Thereof is the last Will and Testament of J. K. Bryson, deceased.  
Let said Will, together with the probate, be recorded and filed.  
This 2<sup>nd</sup> day of May, 1928.

P. G. Hyatt  
Clerk Superior Court.

North Carolina,  
Cherokee County.

I, J. K. Bryson, of Unaka, Cherokee County, North Carolina, being of sound mind and memory but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence, do make and declare this my last will and testament in manner and form following, hereby revoking all former wills at any time made by me.

First: I will and devise unto my brother Golman Bryson the tract of land on which I now live and reside. The same being about 30 acres more or less, and lying and being in Beaverdam Township, Cherokee County, and being known as the Oscar Rose place; said tract of land having been purchased by me from Oscar Rose and the deed to same being of record in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Cherokee County, North Carolina. It is my will, desire and purpose that my brother Golman Bryson shall have this tract of land in fee simple with the full use and enjoyment and right to dispose of same.

Second: I give, devise, will, and bequeath unto my brother Golman Bryson all of my personal property of whatever kind and description, the same consisting of household and kitchen furniture, beds, quilts, bedding, cook stove, and all cooking and kitchen utensils, and any and all articles and property that are now in my house where I live at this time; said personal property also including one mare about four years old, one milk cow, one 12<sup>ga</sup> gauge, L. & Smith shot gun, one .38 S&W pistol, and all the personal property that I now have, it being my purpose to give my brother Golman Bryson every piece and article of personal property

that I own and possess, and shall own and possess at the time of my death.

Third: I give, devise, will and bequeath to my wife Mary Bryson the sum of ten (\$10.00) Dollars and I direct my executor to pay this sum out of any moneys that I may have on hands at the time of my death or to sell any of my personal property in order to pay said sum to my wife if the same shall be necessary.

Fourth: I nominate and appoint my friend J. L. Rose to be the executor of my will and I direct him to see that all provisions of this will are faithfully carried out as I give to my executor full power to do any and all things necessary to carry out the provisions of this will, and it is my will and desire that J. L. Rose shall serve as my executor without making or giving the bond required by law.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal on this, the 20<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1927.

J. K. Bryson (Seal)

signed, sealed, published and declared by the said J. K. Bryson as and for his last will and testament in the presence of us who at his request and in his presence and in the presence of one another hereby subscribe our names as witnesses.

D. M. Birchfield  
Murphy, N. C.  
J. U. Farmer.  
Grandview N. C.  
Ralph Moody  
Murphy, N. C.

Probated May 2, 1928.  
Recorded May 2, 1928.