

Murphy N.C. August 31st - 1905
North Carolina 3
Chowan County

The foregoing certificate of W.M. Ross Clerk of the Superior Court for the County of North in the said State of North Carolina, attested by his office seal is adjudged to be sufficient to give the Will of Virginia B. Y. Thompson is recorded and filed.

Witness my hand on this the 31st day of August 1905.

A. J. Reeves, Esq.
Deputy Sheriff.

North Carolina — Chowan County.

I, D. H. Watts of said County and State being of sound mind but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence do make and declare this my last will and testament:

First: My executors herein after named shall give my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my friends and relations, and pay all funeral expenses together with all my just debts out of the first moneys which may come into his hands belonging to my estate.

Second: I give and devise to my beloved wife, Cordelia all of my lands or lots in the town of Bellview amounting to about four acres more or less bounded by the lands of John Simpson on the East R.H. Anderson on the North, Isaac Hudson on the West, J.B. Lee's Land and the Street on the South and special reference is hereby had to the deed for a full description of said property. To have and to hold in fee simple to her and her heirs and assigns forever.

Third: I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Cordelia all of the moneys, & all fees which are or may become due me in the Superior Court Clerk's office and all other moneys or goods of whatever description.

Fourth: I hereby constitute and appoint my trustee friend R. H. Hyatt my lawful executor to all intents and purposes, to execute this my last will and testament.

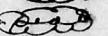
In witness whereof, I the said D. H. Watts do hereby set my hand and seal, this the 27th day of August, 1897. (Signed) D. H. Watts. Dated
Signed sealed and delivered in presence of
declared by the said D. H. Watts to be his Last Will and Testament in the presence of us, who at his request did in his presence and in our names as witnesses thereto

(Signed) Ben Penny
J. P. Avery

(Over)

State of North Carolina, }
Cherokee County, }
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A paper writing purporting to be the Last Will &
testament of D.L. Watts deceased, is exhibited
before me by R. H. Hyatt the Executor thereon
mentioned & the due execution thereof by the
said D.L. Watts is proved by the oath & examination
of Ben Penny & F.P. Alley the Subscribing witnesses
thereto, who bring due sworn depositions &
say and swear for themselves, deponents and
each that he is a subscribing witness to the
paper writing now shown him purporting to
be the Last Will & Testament of D.L. Watts
that the said D.L. Watts in the presence of
these deponents, subscribed his name at
the end of said paper writing now shown as
aforesaid, and which bears date of the 27th
day of August 1897, and these deponents
further say that the said D.L. Watts the
testator aforesaid did at the time of sub-
scribing his name as aforesaid declare the
said paper writing to be his Last Will & Testament
and these deponents did therefore subscribe
their names at the end of said will as
attesting witnesses thereto and at the request
and in the presence of said testator.

And the deponent further sayeth that at the
time when the said testator subscribed his
name to the said Last Will & Testament aforesaid
the said D.L. Watts was of sound mind and
memory of full age to execute will & was
not under any restraint to the knowledge
information and belief of this deponent,
further these deponents doth not.

(Signed) Ben Penny 
 " F.P. Alley 

Sincerely Subscribed and sworn to before
me this the 1st day of February AD 1898.

(Signed) D.W. Brewster
Clerk Superior Court

(over)

North Carolina }
Cherokee County } In the Superior Court
It is before considered and adjudged by the Court
that the said paper writing and copy heretofore
is the Last Will and Testament of D.L. Watts dead
and the same with the foregoing examination and
his certificate are ordered to be recorded & filed
This the 4th day of February 1898.
(Signed) D.W. Brewster
Clerk Superior Court.

Recorded in Book "A" of Wills at page 299
& say, on this October 24th 1905.

M.J. Brewster.

Clerk Superior Court.