

and say, and each for himself deposited and said, that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown him, purporting to be the last Will and Testament of J. S. Mercury Jr. that the said J. S. Mercury Jr. in the presence of this deposit, subscribed his name at the end of said paper writing now shown as aforesaid and which bears date of June 28th, 1909.

And deposit further said that he said J. S. Mercury Jr. the testator aforesaid, did, at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid dictated the said paper writing so subscribed by him and dictated, to be his last Will and Testament, and this deposit did then 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 deposit further said that at the said time when the said testator subscribed his name to the said last will and testament as aforesaid, and at the time of the deposit subscribing his name as attesting witness thereto, as aforesaid, the said J. S. Mercury Jr. was of sound mind and memory, of full age to execute a Will, and was not under any restraint, to his knowledge, in form or manner or drafting of the deposit. And further this deposit says not.

P. E. Bleam (sd)
Willard M. Atley (sd)

Genuinely subscribed and sworn to before me this the 13th day of July 1909.

All Fair
Clark Superior Court.

North Carolina
Chester County J. S. Stephen Parker, of the County and State aforesaid, being of sound mind, last considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence, do make and declare this my last Will and Testament.

All Fair
Clark Superior Court.

First, my executors herein after named, shall give my body a decent burial, suitable to the wishes of my friends and relatives, and pay all funeral expenses together with all just debts.

Second, I give and devise to my beloved wife J. F. Parker the lot of land on which I now reside, including the dwelling house, barn, and other buildings together with the garden and a portion of the land adjoining the garden on the west, down to a line beginning at the North West corner of the Waldeeps lot and running Northwest parallel with the garden fence to the Railroad, for the term of her natural life, in satisfaction of her desire and third in all my lands.

Third, I also give and bequeath to my said beloved wife all the household goods, furniture, tables, utensils of all kinds, and my back store of all kinds for her natural life.

Fourth, my will and desire is that at the death of my wife all the property herein bequeathed to her shall be sold and the proceeds equally divided among all my children, then and then alive.

Fifth, my will and desire is that the residue of my estate shall be sold and the proceeds to my children, and the surplus over and above my funeral expenses and other debts be paid to all my children then and then alive.

Sixth, I hereby constitute and appoint my trustee James A. Parker, my lawful attorney to all intents and purposes, to execute this my last will and testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same and every part and clause thereof, first giving a good and sufficient bond in the sum of \$1,000.00 to be approved by the Clerk of the Superior Court of Chester County - In witness whereof J. Stephen Parker

Do hereby humbly set my hand and seal,
this day of 1909.

S. Parker (Signed)

Signed, sealed, published and
Declar'd by the said Stephen Parker to be
his last Will and Testam'nt in the
presence of us, who, at his request and
in his presence, and in the presence of each
other, do subscribe our names as witness
thereto.

R. G. Webb
W. B. Fisher

North Carolina
Chowan County

In the Superior Court
Before the Clerk

A paper writing purporting to be the
last Will and Testam'nt of Stephen Parker, deceased,
is produced before me, the undersigned Clerk
of the Superior Court for said County, by James A.
Parker the testator's known name; and the
due execution thereof by the said Stephen Parker
is proved by the oath and examination of
R. G. Webb and W. B. Fisher, the subscribing
witnesses thereto, who, being duly sworn, doth
depose and say, and each for himself depoget
and saith, that he is a subscribing witness to
the paper writing now shown him, purporting
to be the last Will and Testam'nt of Stephen
Parker, deceased, that the said Stephen Parker
in the presence of this deponent subscribed his
name at the end of said paper writing now shown
as aforesaid, and when bears date of 1909.

And deponent further saith, that the said
Stephen Parker the testator aforesaid, did, at
the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid
declare the said paper writing so subscribed
by him and testam'nt, to be his last will
and testam'nt, and this deponent did then
subscribe his name at the end of said will
as an attesting witness thereto, and at its request
and in the presence of said testator.

And this deponent further saith, that at the
said time when the said testator subscribed his

name to the said last will as aforesaid, and at
the time of the deponent subscribing his name as
attesting witness thereto, as aforesaid, the said
Stephen Parker 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 sayeth,

B. G. Webb
W. B. Fisher

Humbly sworn to and subscribed before me on
the 1st day August, 1909.

A. L. Fair
Clerk Superior Court.

North Carolina
Chowan County

In the Superior Court.

It is therefore considered and
adjudged by the Court, that the said paper writing
and in every part thereof, is the last Will and
Testam'nt of Stephen Parker, deceased, and the
same with the foregoing examination and this
certificate an order is made to be recorded and filed,
This the 1st day August, 1909.

A. L. Fair
Clerk Superior Court.