

State of North Carolina  
Cherokee County

Personally appeared before me  
a Justice of the Peace in and for said  
State and County, Rasmus Robinson  
and acknowledged the foregoing in-  
strument for the purpose therein  
contained.

Witness my hand and seal this  
22nd day of January 1916,

J. M. Moore  
Justice of the Peace

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

A paper writing purporting to be the  
last will and testament of Victoria James  
deceased, is exhibited to me, the undersigned  
Clerk of the Superior Court. The said Court  
by Harry James its executor therein men-  
tioned and its due execution being by the  
said Victoria James by its act and ex-  
amination of P. E. Nelson and Jessie Mae  
Michelson its subscribing witnesses who  
who being duly sworn, doth depose and  
say, and each for himself depose and  
swear, that he is a subscribing witness  
to the paper writing now shown him  
as he purporting to be the last will  
and testament of Victoria James; that  
the said Victoria James in the presence  
of these deponents subscribed her name  
at the end of said paper writing which  
is now shown as opened and which  
has been in the 8th day of June 1914.

And the deponent further saith, that the  
said Victoria James the testator opened  
it at the time of subscribing her name  
as opened because the said paper-  
writing as subscribed by her and exhibited  
to the last will and testament, and  
the deponent did thereupon subscribe  
to and her 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 same time when the said  
testator subscribed her name to the said  
last will as opened and at the time  
of the deponent subscribing to and her  
name as an attesting witness thereto  
as opened, the said Victoria James was  
of sound mind and memory, of full  
age & exercise a will, and was not  
under any restraint, to the knowledge  
reputation & belief of the deponent.

And further these documents may not.

P.E. Nelson

advised, sworn  
and submitted, this  
20th day of Sept. 1916

H. A. Tarr

Chas. Superior Court

Jessie Mae McNeel

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

It is therefore considered and  
advised that the said paper writing  
and every part thereof is the last  
will and testament of Victoria James  
deceased. Let it be said with legal  
effect the said will be recorded and filed.  
the 20th day of Sept. 1916

H. A. Tarr

Chas. Superior Court

North Carolina.

Cherokee County.

I, Victoria James, of Cherokee County,  
and state being of sound mind and  
consciousness, do hereby make and  
declare this my last will and  
testament.

First. My Executor hereinafter named shall  
give my body a decent burial  
according to the wishes of my friends  
and relatives and pay all funeral  
expenses, together with all my just  
debts and with the first money coming  
into the land hereafter to my Estate.

2nd. I give and devise to my son Harry  
James the wife the James and their  
heirs in fee simple, my house and  
lot now on the Bishop lot on  
Proctor's street in the town of Murphy  
N.C., also one hundred acres more or less  
of land lying adjacent to the land of  
Washington and others in Murphy  
township, Cherokee County N.C. and

known as the Bone Tavern land, also  
all my personal belongings such as  
household and kitchen furniture and all  
money on hand at the time of my death.

Third.

I give and bequeath to my daughter  
Florence, wife of James Moore the same  
of one dollar to be paid by my Executor  
within two years from the date of  
my death out of money belonging to my  
estate, not otherwise disposed of (which  
sum together with the advancement she  
had from me at the time of her  
marriage and sundry small ad-  
vancements since that time, will make  
her a fair and equitable portion ac-  
cording to the value of my personal  
estate).

Fourth.

I hereby constitute and appoint my  
beloved son Harry James my lawful  
executor 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. Harry morning and evening  
reading said all other wills and testaments  
by me herebefore made.

In witness whereof I do say  
Victoria James do hereunto set my  
hand and seal this 8th day of  
June 1914.

Victoria James

Signed, Sealed, Published and declared  
by the said Victoria James to her last  
will and testament in the presence of  
us who at her request and in her  
presence, (and in the presence of each  
other) do subscribe our names as  
Witness thereto.

P.E. Nelson

Jessie Mae McNeel

Norik Carolina

Chosen, Council

1. B. A. Chasium 7 lbs of assaid  
coming and silver being 7 second mixed  
but considering its uncertainty 7 my  
early existence, do more and more  
the my last wife and Thomas.

My esteemed Benjamin would, should  
give my boy a decent burial, burial  
to the wishes of my friends and relations  
and pay all funeral expenses, together  
with all my just debts, and of the  
first moneys which may come into  
his Land belonging to my wife.

4.  
I give and divide to my niece, Lucy  
Chatham and her heirs, in fee  
simple, one lot 7 and No. 31, the  
lot 7 & a Half in Sec. Town. Long 41.  
from Harbours in District No. 3  
Murphy Township, Chas. Cunniff,  
offering the land of Williams,  
Harbours, Turner, Rogers, Mearns and  
others, it being one lot 7 and the  
noted town.

III.  
19 June and divide L. T. A. Chastain  
and Diffitt Harvey and their heirs  
in the scirpus, the remaining two  
thirds interest in the stone mountain  
land.

my wife and child, is also. the  
other land be divided between the  
other named parties, so also the  
said George Chesnut's portion be  
added as to include the dwelling  
house in which I now reside

V

It is very rare and scarce it is.  
very peculiar. *Agaveae* *undulata*  
de *punctata* *undulata* *undulata* or a  
monocotyledonous and close same as very

murder and suicides from who are buried at Ancient Bury in Union County, Virginia

I give and <sup>VI</sup>bequeath to my wife, Lucy  
Chas. and Eliza Harvey a wagon  
and two bay horses, Lucy the horse  
brown one; also my moving machines  
and all other farming tools owned by  
me.

VII

I give and bequeath to my wife, Lucy  
Cheslain, all my household and  
kitchen furniture.

III.  
I give and Leguesia & my nephew  
Eliab Shedd, \$100.00 in souvenir  
7 & 80.00 more and interest. Given  
by me to his father some years ago.

My will and mine is that all 7 sh  
value of my estate, if any, other  
being out its debts and legacies  
to be mentioned, shall be sold by  
my executor, or his successor, and  
the debt owing to me covered, and  
if there should be any surplus over  
and above its payments of debts, &c. given  
and legacies its said surplus shall  
be equally divided and paid over to  
my heirs.

X

I hardly conceive and oppose. my  
honest friend J. M. Vaughan, my brother  
to remain & while in the interest and purposes  
to remain in his very best will and  
interest. according to its true interest  
and meaning of its name, and every  
part and clause thereof, truly meaning  
and meaning being void in other words  
and meanings by the language used  
in writing thereof, its said B. P. Chaslar  
to remain at my hand and seal, this the 1st  
day of June 1914. B. P. Chaslar

signed, sealed, published and declared  
by the said B. P. Chatham & to the end  
will and testament. in the presence of  
us who at his request. and in his  
presence and in the presence of some  
other do subscribe our name as  
witness thereto

A. M. D. Harshaw  
A. L. Martin

State of North Carolina } ss In the  
Chancery } Superior Court.

A paper writing purporting to be the  
last will and testament of B. P. Chatham  
deceased, is exhibited to me, the  
undersigned Clerk of the Superior Court  
for said County by J. M. Venable the ex-  
ecutor thereof named, and the due  
execution thereof by the said B. P.  
Chatham by the said and ex-affidavit  
of A. M. D. Harshaw and A. L. Martin the  
subscribing witnesses thereto, who being  
duly sworn, doth depose and say,  
and each for himself 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  
B. P. Chatham; that the said B. P.  
Chatham in the presence of the deponent  
subscribed his name to the said paper  
writing, which is now shown  
as aforesaid, and which bears date  
9th day of June 1914

And the deponent further saith that  
the said B. P. Chatham the testator  
aforesaid, did at the time of subscribing  
the same to aforesaid declare the said  
paper writing to be subscribed by him and  
exhibited to the last will and  
testament, and the deponent did there  
upon subscribe his name to the said  
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 same time when the said deponent  
subscribed his name to an attesting  
witness thereto, as aforesaid the said  
B. P. Chatham was of sound mind and  
memory, of full age to execute a will  
and was not under any restrictions, to the  
knowledge, information & belief of the  
deponent; and further the deponent  
says not.

subscribed sworn  
and subscribed the  
19th day of August;  
1916, before me.

H. H. Fair  
Clerk Superior Court.

A. M. D. Harshaw  
A. L. Martin

North Carolina } ss In the Superior Court  
Chancery }

It is there considered and adjudged  
by the Court that the said paper writing  
and every part thereof is the last  
will and testament of B. P. Chatham  
deceased. Let the said will together  
with the process, be recorded and filed  
this 19th day of August 1916

H. H. Fair  
Clerk Superior Court.