

if he shall survive her during his natural life and upon the death of the survivor of said Mary C. Mebane & of her said husband, Giles Mebane, to transfer deliver & convey absolutely said stock and bonds or the interests into which they may have been converted, to said Mrs. E. C. Mebane, Fanny Y. Smith & DeBarnis Y. Mebane, equally, share and share alike, their executors administrators & assigns.

I give and bequeath absolutely two thousand two Dollars (\$2000.00) (face value) of the stock now owned by me in the Commercial & Farmers Bank of Raleigh N.C. to my niece Mrs. Emma C. Mebane her daughter Annie C. Mebane, both of Greensboro N.C., equally share and share alike.

I also give & bequeath one thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$1000.00) (face value) of the stock now owned by me in said Commercial and Farmers Bank and also two thousand & 00/100 (\$2000.00) (face value) of the bonds of the Virginia Cotton Mills, Womance County N.C. now owned by me to said Abby Lee Baker to be by her held upon the trusts and for the following uses & purposes to wit: During the natural life of my grand niece Mary Eliza Mebane (now Parker) of Graham N.C. to collect the dividends upon said stock & the coupons upon said bonds at the maturity of said bonds to collect the principal thereof and reinvest said principal in such manner as he deems best & collect the income from said investments & to pay and divide coupon & income money to said Mary Eliza Mebane (now Parker) during her natural life & at her death said stock bonds or investments into which they may have been converted shall be transferred delivered and conveyed absolutely by the trustee to such child or children to said Mary Eliza shall leave her surviving, but if said Mary Eliza shall not leave any child or children surviving her, then at her death said stock bonds or investments shall be delivered transferred and conveyed absolutely by the trustee to said Annie C. Mebane.

I give and bequeath my two bonds (numbered 126 and 127) of the City of Greensboro N.C. each for \$500.00 to said Fannie Y. Smith, absolutely.

I give and bequeath two thousand Dollars (\$2000.00) (face value) of the stock now owned by me in

Item 3.

Item 4.

Item 5.

North Carolina
Wake County
City of Raleigh

I, Virginia B. Derpenn of the State, County & City above named being of sound mind and disposing mind and memory but feeling the uncertainty of this mortal life do hereby make public and declare the following to be my last will & testament, to wit:

Item 1.

I hereby nominate, constitute & appoint Abby Lee Baker of Raleigh N.C. the Executor of this my last will and testament & direct him to pay all my just & honest debts and my funeral expenses (including the cost of the inscription on the monument herein-after referred to and also the cost of putting in good condition, at the time of my death my burial lot in Oakwood Cemetery, near Raleigh N.C.

Item 2.

I give and bequeath six thousand Dollars (\$6,000.00) (face value) of the stock now owned by me in the First National Bank of Charlotte N.C. and also two thousand Dollars (\$2000.00) (face value) of the bonds of the Virginia Cotton Mills, Womance County N.C. now owned by me to said Abby Lee Baker in trust for my sister, Mrs. Mary C. Mebane of Cornwell County N.C. her husband Giles Mebane, my niece Mrs. E. C. Mebane, of Greensboro N.C., my niece Mrs. Fannie Y. Smith, of Smithville Charlotte County Virginia and my nephew, DeBarnis Y. Mebane of Cornwell County N.C. as follows:

Centric the death of both my said sister, Mary C. Mebane and of her said husband, Giles Mebane to collect the dividends on said stock and the coupons on said bonds and after income therefrom, & at the maturity of said bonds to collect the principal of the same and re-invest said principal in such manner as he deems best & to collect the income from such investments & to pay said dividends, coupon and income money to said Mary C. Mebane, during her natural life (to be used by her as she sees fit.) & upon the death of said Mary C. Mebane to said Giles Mebane

North Carolina Railroad Company, to my said nephew De Bernier Y. Mebane and to his daughter Virginia Es. Mebane (now McGary) to be by them held in the following proportions & upon the following terms and conditions to wit:

Until the death of said De Bernier Y. Mebane he shall receive have and use as he sees fit the dividends on said Stock & other income therefrom but at his death the said stock shall belong to & be held absolutely by said Virginia Es. Mebane (now McGary) her executors, administrators or assigns.

Item 6.

I give and bequeath Two Thousand & No (\$2000.00) (face value) of the bonds of the Virginia Cotton Mills, Alamance County N.C. now owned by me to said Abby Lee Baker to be by her held upon the trusts and for the following uses and purposes to wit:

To collect the Coupons upon the same until the maturity of said bonds & to pay said Collections to Miss Namie & Medane of Greensboro N.C. & M. B. L. G. Long of Mecklenburg County N.C. equally there and there alike their executors administrators or assigns and at the maturity of said bonds to deliver same and convey the same absolutely to said Namie G. Mebane & L. G. Long equally there and there alike, their executors, administrators or assigns.

I also give and bequeath Two Thousand and no/100 Dollars (\$2000.00) (face value) of said bonds to Abby Lee Baker to be by her held upon the trusts and for the following uses & purposes to wit:

To collect the Coupons upon the same until the maturity of said bonds & to pay said Collections to the two daughters (Eva & Kate) of Mrs E. P. McArthur deceased, both of Caswell County N.C. & at the maturity of said bonds to transfer & convey the said bonds absolutely to said Eva & Kate & heirs.

If either the said Eva or Kate shall die before the maturity of said bonds leaving a child or children surviving her then such child or children shall stand in the place of their deceased mother and receive the same benefits from this legacy as their mother would have received: if either the

said Eva or Kate shall die before the maturity of said bonds without leaving any child or children surviving her then her share in this legacy shall go and belong to her surviving sister. If both the said Eva & Kate shall die before the maturity of said bonds without leaving any child or children surviving them, then & in that event said bonds shall go as a part of the residuum of my estate and be disposed of in the manner provided in item 27 hereof for the disposition of said residuum.

Item 7.

I give and bequeath Six Thousand Dollars (\$6000.00) (face value) of the Stock now owned by me in the First National Bank of Charlotte N.C. and also three thousand Dollars (\$3000.00) (face value) of the bonds of the Virginia Cotton Mills, Alamance County N.C. now owned by me to Abby Lee Baker in trust for my sister Mrs. Ann E. P. Womack, of Caswell County N.C., my niece Mrs. Namie G. Mebane of Greensboro N.C., my nephew J. P. Womack of Mecklenburg County N.C., my niece Mrs. Lillie H. Wiggins of Caswell County N.C., and such child or children as said Lillie H. Wiggins may have be surviving, as follows:

Until the death of my sister Ann E. P. Womack to collect the dividends on said stock and the coupons on said bonds and other income therefrom & at the maturity of said bonds to collect the principal of the same and interest and principal in such manner as to keep intact and to collect the income from such investments and to pay said dividend coupon & income money to said Ann E. P. Womack during her natural life (to be used by her as she sees fit) and upon the death of said Ann E. P. Womack two-thirds (2/3) of said stock and bonds or its in nature into which they may have been converted shall be transferred delivered and conveyed by said trustee, absolutely to said Namie G. Mebane and J. P. Womack equally there and there alike, their executors administrators or assigns, & the remaining one-third (1/3) thereof shall be held by the said Baker in trust for the following uses and purposes to wit:

Until the death of said Lillie H. Wiggins to receive the dividend coupon and other income money therefrom and to pay such dividend coupon & income money to the said Lillie H. Wiggins during her natural life.

to be used by her as she sees fit and at the death of said
 Lillie H. Wiggins if she shall leave any child or chil-
 dren surviving her said one third of said Bank Stock
 and Cotton Mills bonds or the instruments into which
 they may have been converted shall be delivered
 transferred and conveyed by the trustee absolutely to
 such child or children equally share and share
 alike, but if the said Lillie H. Wiggins shall
 not have any child or children surviving her then
 and in that event at the death of said Lillie H. Wig-
 gins said one third of the said Bank Stock and Cotton
 Mills bonds, or the instruments into which they may
 have been converted, shall be transferred delivered &
 conveyed by said trustee absolutely to said T. P.
 Monroë & Nannie G. Neal equally share and
 share alike, their executors administrators or assigns.

Item 8. I give and bequeath Two Thousand Dollars
 (\$2000.00) (face value) of the bonds of the Northern
 North Carolina Railway Company, now owned by
 me, to said Abby Lee Butler in trust for said
 T. P. Monroë, Nannie G. Neal, Lillie H. Wiggins,
 and such child or children as said Lillie H.
 Wiggins may have surviving her as follows:

To hold use and dispose of the same & the in-
 come therefrom and the instruments into which they
 may be converted in the same manner upon the
 same trusts and for the same uses & purposes
 as is prescribed in item 7 hereof for the holding
 using and disposing, at the death of Ann B. H.
 Monroë of the remaining one-third of the
 bank stock and bonds therein referred to, for
 the benefit of said Monroë, Neal, Wiggins and
 her children.

Item 9. I give and bequeath to said Nannie G. Neal, abso-
 lutely the Five Thousand Dollars (\$5000.00) (face value)
 of 5% bonds and the Southern Hundred Dollars
 (\$100.00) (face value) of preferred stock of the
 Southern Railway Company, received by me in
 exchange for the Five Thousand Dollars (\$5000.00)
 (face value) of bonds of the Charlotte, Columbia
 and Augusta Railway Company heretofore owned
 by me.

Item 10. I give and bequeath to said Nannie G. Neal
 & Abby Lee Butler all my jewelry, clothing,

plate, silverware, pictures, carpets, beds, bed clothes, house-
 hold and kitchen furniture, utensils, appliances etc. I
 request that the use and dispose of the same in the
 manner indicated in a private letter addressed by me to
 them, which will be found in my private desk.

Item 11. I give and bequeath absolutely to Dr. John H. McAden
 of Charlotte N.C. Two Thousand Dollars (\$2000.00) (face
 value) of the stock now owned by me in the Mechanics
 and Farmers National Bank of Charlotte N.C.

Item 12. I give and bequeath the note from McAden Mills
 of Gaston County N.C. endorsed by Dr. John H. McAden
 payable to me for Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) to
 said Dr. John H. McAden in trust for the use & benefit
 of his three daughters, Fanny Fanny McAden, Eliza J.
 McAden, and Lillie J. McAden equally share &
 share alike.

Item 13. I give and bequeath Three Thousand Dollars
 (\$3000.00) face value of the bonds of the Virginia
 Cotton Mills, Albemarle County N.C., now owned by me
 to said Abby Lee Butler to be held by him in trust
 for the following uses & purposes to wit:
 To collect the coupons on said bonds or the income
 from the instruments into which they may be converted
 and to pay such coupon & income money directly to
 Bennie V. McAden of Raleigh N.C. and not to be paid
 or else to spend it for her benefit during her life up to
 the time of her arrival at the age of twenty one years at
 which time said bonds or the instruments into which
 they may be converted, shall be transferred delivered &
 conveyed absolutely by said trustee to said Bennie
 V. McAden, if the said Bennie V. McAden shall
 die before arriving at the age of twenty one years
 leaving a child or children surviving her then &
 from the time of such death said trustee shall
 pay said coupon and income money to such child
 or children or the survivors of them until the arrival
 at the age of twenty one years of all such children or
 of the survivors of them at which time said bonds or
 the instruments into which they may be converted
 shall be transferred delivered & conveyed absolute-
 ly by the trustee to such child or children or the
 survivors of them; but if the said Bennie V. McAden
 shall die before arriving at the age of twenty-one
 years without leaving any child or children surviving

for the Iron Turnpike Bonds (\$1000.00) (face value) of the bonds of the Spartanburg, Lexington & Columbia Railroad Company, heretofore owned by me, and also two thousand dollars (\$2000.00) (face value) of the stock borrowed by me in the North Carolina Railroad Company; and also ten thousand dollars (\$10000.00) (face value) of the bonds of the Virginia Cotton Mills, Alamance County, N.C. now owned by me, and also the thirty five hundred dollar (\$3500.00) note from W.B. Lefebvre to me, together with the collateral certificate to said Ashby Lee Baker to be by him held upon the following trusts to wit:

To collect and receive the money paid for the Coupons on said bonds and dividends on said stock and also the interest upon said note & other income from said bonds, stock and note or from the investments into which they may have been converted & to pay such coupon, dividend, interest and income money to the Trustees of Wake Forest College & their successors in office, to be used by them in defraying the cost of educating at Wake Forest College young men intending to study for the ministry in the Baptist denomination the beneficiaries hereunder to be selected by the faculty of said College.

I give and bequeath the sum of twenty five hundred dollars (\$2500.00) in money to said Ashby Lee Baker in trust for the benefit of the Baptist Female University of North Carolina as follows: To invest the same in such manner as he deems best and to collect the income from said investments and to pay such income to the said the Baptist Female University of North Carolina to be used for the support and maintenance of said University for the advancement of its purposes, objects and work of the same.

I give and bequeath absolutely the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) in money to the Board of Trustees of the Baptist Orphanage, Thomasville to be used for the support & maintenance said Orphanage for the advancement of its purposes, objects and work of the same.

I also give and bequeath One thousand dollars (\$1000.00) (face value) of the bonds of

the Virginia Cotton Mills, Alamance County, N.C. now owned by me to said Ashby Lee Baker in trust for the benefit of the Board of Trustees of the Baptist Orphanage, Thomasville as follows: To collect the Coupons upon said bonds and at the maturity of said bonds to collect the principal thereof and re-invest said principal in such manner as he sees fit and to collect the income from such investments and to pay said coupon & income money to said the Board of Trustees of the Baptist Orphanage, Thomasville, to be used for the support & maintenance of said orphanage for the advancement of its purposes, objects and work of the same.

Item 23

I give and bequeath my two bonds (matured 1900) of the town of Statesville N.C. each for \$500.00, to the Trustees of the First Baptist Church of Raleigh N.C. in trust for the benefit of the Woman's Missionary Society of said Church as follows: To collect the Coupons upon said bonds or to sell and convey said bonds & reinvest the proceeds of such sale in such manner as they deem best & to collect the income from such investments and to pay such income & coupon money to said Society to be spent for the advancement of its purposes, objects and work of the said Society.

Item 24

I give and bequeath two thousand dollars (\$2000.00) (face value) of the bonds of the Virginia Cotton Mills, Alamance County, N.C. now owned by me, to said Ashby Lee Baker to be by him held upon the following trusts to wit: To collect the Coupons upon said bonds and at the maturity of said bonds to collect the principal thereof & re-invest said principal in such manner as he deems best & to collect the income from said investments & to pay said coupon and income money to the Trustees of the Southville Baptist Church in Alamance County, N.C. or their successors in office to be by them used in keeping said Church in repair.

Item 25

I give and bequeath One thousand dollars (\$1000.00) (face value) of the bonds of the Virginia Cotton Mills, Alamance County, N.C. now owned by me to said Ashby Lee Baker to be by him held upon the following trusts to wit: To collect the Coupons upon said bonds and at the maturity of said bonds to collect the principal thereof & to reinvest said principal in such manner as he deems best

and to collect the income from said investments and to use said Corpus & income money in keeping in repair and good condition my house lot in Oakwood Cemetery near Raleigh N.C.

If at the time of my death there shall not be an amount belonging to my estate, cash money enough to pay the personal expenses, debts, costs of settling my estate and money legacies hereinbefore provided for, then and in that event it is my wish and I so direct that my executor shall collect or sell and convey so much of the residue of my estate, referred to in paragraph 27 hereof, as will be sufficient to produce the money enough to pay off said expenses, debts, costs and legacies in full.

I direct that my executor shall divide into nine (9) equal shares all the real and residue of the property and estate --- real, personal or mixed, --- of whatsoever nature and wheresoever the same may be (including the remainder after the death of said Lucy Johnson in the \$500.00 or the property into which it may have been converted, referred to in item 18 hereof, and including also the contingent interest in the one and half shares \$2000.00 Virginia Cotton Mills bonds or the property into which they may have been converted, referred to in item 6 hereof) belonging to me at the time of my death and not hereinbefore disposed, and which may be left after paying said expenses, debts, costs and money legacies. For the purposes of making said division my executor is authorized to collect or sell and convey any portion or all of said residue.

I give devise and bequeath said nine (9) shares as follows: One share to my said sister Mary C. Mebane absolutely & in fee simple.

One share to my said sister, Ann E. Y. Hornack absolutely and in fee simple.

One share to my said nephew Le Bonnier Y. Mebane, absolutely and in fee simple.

One (1) share to my said grand niece Virginia George Mebane (now McGary) absolutely and in fee simple.

One share to my said niece, Nannie G. Neal, absolutely and in fee simple.

Three (3) shares to said Abby Lee Baker in trust for the benefit of the Baptist Female Seminary of North Carolina, as follows: To collect the income from the same or from the investments into which it may be converted and to pay such income to said the Baptist Female Seminary of North Carolina to be used by it the support and maintenance of said Seminary for the advancement of its purposes, objects and work of the same.

One (1) share to said Abby Lee Baker in trust for said J. P. Hornack, Nannie G. Neal, Lottie H. Higgins and such child or children as said Higgins may have surviving her as follows: To hold use and dispose of the same & the income therefrom & its investments into which it may be converted in the same manner, upon the same trusts & for the same uses & purposes as is prescribed in item 7 hereof for holding using & disposing at the death of Ann E. Y. Hornack of the remaining one-third (1/3) of the Bond Stock and bonds therein referred to for the benefit of said Hornack, Neal, Higgins and her children.

Item 28

If the said Baker shall survive me but shall be unwilling or unable to carry out the trusts imposed upon him as Trustee in this Will, then and in that event the said Baker may by deed or will duly executed & recorded appoint such person, persons or corporation as he sees fit, as Trustee in his place and stead for the purposes of carrying out said trusts, and for that purpose I direct that the Trustee or appointee shall have (and I do hereby give, devise and bequeath to said Trustee) all the powers, and that said Trustee shall be subject to all the duties and liabilities provided in this Will for said Baker as such Trustee.

Notwithstanding in this Will property or estate is given or devised to a party or parties in trust such Trustee or those who may hereafter be appointed in this deed may if they deem it necessary, collect or sell and convey the property or estate so bequeathed or devised in trust, but such Trustee shall at once invest the proceeds of such collecting or selling in said

man as they deem best & the instrument so made shall retain the character of the property or estate so collected or sold, and shall be held by said trustee in the same manner & upon the same trusts as the property or estate so collected or sold. And said trustee is expressly authorized before distributing the income from the trust property to pay out of said income all the costs of executing said trust, including tax es.

Item 29.

All the debts due by the estate of my late husband, Geo. H. Durson have been paid or arranged.

I have omitted from this will certain parties who are near kin to me. This is done not because I have forgotten them nor yet because they are not dear to me. Nearly all of them are already well provided for in this world's goods, & in making this will it has been my purpose to dispose of my property in a way that it will, as I believe accomplish the most good.

Item 30

It is my wish that I be buried by the side of my dear husband, in my burial lot in Oakwood Cemetery, near Raleigh N.C. It is my further wish that on the same day and just below my husband's inscription, upon the monument on said lot, there shall be engraved the words, "His beloved and devoted wife, Virginia Bertlett Yancey, born in Caswell County, N.C., November 2nd 1826, Died ———— (here insert place and date of death). I wish engraved upon the die on the side of the monument, opposite the die above referred to, the words: "Married by the Rev. John P. Pritchard of the Baptist Denomination, at Ocotump in Caswell County, N.C. Nov. 23rd 1842." The words: "Trusting in Jesus for Salvation, Engraved upon said monument apply to both my husband and myself, and I wish no other words engraved upon said monument.

Item 31.

I hereby expressly revoke all other wills & testaments, hereafter made by me, & declare this to be my last will and testament.

In testimony of all of which I have hereunto set my hand and official my seal at Raleigh N.C. this 14th day of August 1897. (Signed) Virginia B. Durson (Read)

Signed, Read, published and declared as her last will and Testament by Virginia B. Durson, in the presence of us, who at her request, in her presence & in the presence of each other, have this 14th day of August, 1897, subscribed our names as attesting witnesses thereto.

(Signed)

Thebert H. Haysroof

B. D. Johnson

Ernest Haysroof

North Carolina, Wake County, City of Raleigh.
Codified, to the last will & Testament of one, Virginia B. Durson thereto on record and which bears date August 4th, 1897.

Whereas, by my last will and Testament I have made sundry bequests & devises to my sister Ann E. Y. Homan and whereas since the making of said last will and Testament the said Ann E. Y. Homan has died, Now Therefore:

I hereby revoke the bequest and devise to Ann E. Y. Homan contained in item 27 of said last will and Testament of one share (1/2) of the residue of my estate, and do hereby give devise & bequest the said one share (1/2) of said residue absolute by and in fee simple to my nephew Thomas P. Homan, but it is my wish that out of the same he shall as long as he lives keep in repair and good condition the old Bartlett Yancey family grove yard on the old Bartlett Yancey home place situated about two miles from Yanceyville in Caswell County N.C. in which place he now resides, and said bequest & devise is hereby changed with keeping said grove yard in repair and condition as aforesaid.

And in all other respects except as changed by this Codicil I do hereby ratify and confirm my last will and Testament of which this Codicil is hereby declared to be a part. In testimony of all of which, I, the said Virginia B. Durson have hereunto set my hand and official my seal at Raleigh N.C. this 6th day of October 1900.

(Signed) V. B. Durson (Read)

Signed Read, published, and declared as a Codicil to or part of her last will and Testament by Virginia B. Durson, in the presence of us who at her request in her presence & in the presence of each

Lower this 6th day of October, 1900 through and
 divided our names as attesting witnesses thereto,
 (Sigs.) Ernest Haywood.

" Chas S. Roberts.

North Carolina, Wake County, In the Superior Court
 Before W. M. Rues, Clerk.

In the matter of the Probate of the Last Will and
 Testament of Virginia B. G. Simpson, deceased,
 May 17th 1901.

The annexed paper writing, with subscribing wit-
 nesses, dated August 4th 1897 and purporting to be
 the Last Will and Testament of Virginia B. G. Simp-
 son deceased, late a citizen of and resident in
 Wake County N.C. is on this 17th day of May 1901
 exhibited and pronounced for probate in open
 Court, before me, W. M. Rues, Clerk of the Superior
 Court for Wake County North Carolina by Colby
 Lee Barber, the sole executor therein named, &
 thereupon the due execution of said paper writing
 as such Last Will & Testament, by Virginia B. G.
 Simpson is duly proven as follows:

It is proved by the oath and examination of
 Hubert Haywood one of the subscribing witnesses
 thereto (and the said Hubert Haywood, being
 duly sworn deposes and says) (that he is a
 subscribing witness to said paper writing
 now shown him, purporting to be the Last Will
 and Testament of said Virginia B. G. Simpson
 that the said Virginia B. G. Simpson in the presence
 of this Dependent and of B. D. Jarman & Ernest
 Haywood, the other subscribing witnesses to said
 paper writing subscribed her name at the end
 of said paper writing which is now shown as
 aforesaid and which bears date on the 4th day of
 August 1897; and further that the said Virginia
 B. G. Simpson, Testatrix as aforesaid did at the
 time of subscribing her name as aforesaid declare
 the said paper-writing to be subscribed by her and
 here exhibited to be her Last Will and Testament
 and this Dependent and the said B. D. Jarman and
 Ernest Haywood, the other subscribing witnesses to
 said paper-writing did thereupon subscribe
 their names at the end of said paper-writing

as attesting witnesses thereto and at the request of and
 in the presence of said Testatrix and in the presence of each
 other. And further, that at said time, when said Testatrix
 subscribed her name to the said Last Will & Testament as
 aforesaid and at the time this Dependent, and said Jarman
 and said Ernest Haywood subscribed their names as attes-
 ting witnesses thereto as aforesaid the said Virginia B. G.
 Simpson was of sound and disposing mind & memory
 of the full age of twenty one years, fully capable of making
 a will and was not under any restraint or undue
 influence to the knowledge, information or belief of
 this Dependent.

It is proved by the oath and examination of B. D.
 Jarman one of the subscribing witnesses thereto (and
 the said B. D. Jarman being duly sworn deposes and says)
 that he is a subscribing witness to said paper writing
 now shown him, purporting to be the Last Will and
 Testament of said Virginia B. G. Simpson, that the
 said Virginia B. G. Simpson in the presence of this
 Dependent, and of Hubert Haywood & Ernest Haywood,
 the other subscribing witnesses to said paper writing
 subscribed her name at the end of said paper writing
 which is now shown as aforesaid and which bears
 date on the 4th day of August, 1897, and further
 that the said Virginia B. G. Simpson, Testatrix
 as aforesaid did at the time of subscribing her
 name as aforesaid declare the said paper-writing
 to be subscribed by her & here exhibited to be the Last
 Will and Testament and this Dependent & the said
 Hubert Haywood and Ernest Haywood the other
 subscribing witnesses to said paper-writing
 did thereupon subscribe their names at the end of
 said paper-writing as attesting witnesses thereto,
 and at the request of and in the presence of said
 Testatrix and in the presence of each other.

And further that at said time when said Testatrix
 subscribed her name to the said Last Will & Testament
 as aforesaid and at the time this Dependent & said
 Hubert Haywood & Ernest Haywood subscribed their
 names as attesting witnesses thereto as aforesaid, the
 said Virginia B. G. Simpson was of sound mind and
 of disposing mind & memory of the full age of
 twenty one years, fully capable of making a will and
 was not under any restraint or undue influence to the

Knowledge information or belief of this deponent.
It is proved by the oath and examination of Ernest Haywood one of the subscribing witnesses thereto (and the said Ernest Haywood being duly sworn deposes and says, that he is a subscribing witness to said paper writing now shown him purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of said Virginia B. Y. Simpson, and that the said Virginia B. Y. Simpson in the presence of this deponent & of Herbert Haywood and B. D. Jernan the other subscribing witnesses to said paper writing subscribed her name at the end of said paper writing which is now shown as aforesaid & which bears date on that day of August 1897, & further that the said Virginia B. Y. Simpson Testatrix as aforesaid did at the time of subscribing her name as aforesaid declare the said paper writing as subscribed by her and here exhibited to be her Last Will and Testament, & this deponent & the said Herbert Haywood & B. D. Jernan the other subscribing witnesses to said paper writing did thereupon subscribe their names at the end of said paper writing as attesting witnesses thereto and at the request of and in the presence of said Testatrix and in the presence of each other.
And further that at said time when said Testatrix subscribed her name to the said Last Will and Testament as aforesaid, and at the time this deponent and said Herbert Haywood & said Jernan subscribed their names as attesting witnesses thereto as aforesaid the said Virginia B. Y. Simpson was of sound and disposing mind and memory, of the full age of twenty-one years fully capable of making a will and was not under any restraint or undue influence to the knowledge, information or belief of this deponent.
It is proved by the oath & examination of Ashby Lee Barker (and the said Ashby Lee Barker, being duly sworn says,)

First:— That said Virginia B. Y. Simpson is dead and at the time of her death was a citizen of and resident in Wake County, N.C. That said paper writing as her Last Will and Testament, that he, the said Barker is interested in the estate of said

Virginia B. Y. Simpson, being one of the devisees & legatees named in said Last Will & Testament and is also the sole executor therein named, and that said paper writing is in his possession.

Second:— That as near as can be ascertained at present, the value of the personal property of the Testatrix is about \$100,000.00 and consists of stocks, bonds, notes, land and other furniture, &c.

Third:— That the parties entitled to the property of said Testatrix are the devisees and legatees named in said Last Will and Testament, and the Executor thereto, that the devisees and legatees named in said Last Will and Testament and Executor are as follows:

Ashby Lee Barker, Master residing in Raleigh N.C.,
Mrs Emma C. Mebane, residing in Greensboro N.C.,
Fannie G. Mebane residing in Greensboro N.C.,
Denny Y. Smith residing in Smithville Charlotte County, Virginia, DeBorah Y. Mebane residing in Milton N.C. Virginia George Mebane (now McCray) residing in Blount N.C. Fannie G. Neal residing in Yorkville, N.C., Ashby Lee Barker residing in Raleigh N.C., Dr. John H. McAden, residing in Charlotte N.C. Dr. John H. McAden Master residing in Charlotte N.C. Mrs Harriet Andrews residing in Raleigh N.C. Charles Cardwell residing in Raleigh N.C. Felix Johnson residing in Raleigh N.C. Thos. H. Johnson residing in Raleigh N.C. Bessie Cardwell residing in Raleigh N.C. Mary Cardwell residing in Raleigh N.C. Board of Trustees of Baptist Epiphany at Thomsonlee. Masters of the First Baptist Church at Raleigh N.C. Mary C. Mebane (now Barker) residing in Knoxville Tennessee, all of said parties being above the age of twenty-one years.

This 17th day of May 1901.
Sincerely subscribed (Signed) Herbert Haywood
and sworn to before me this 17th day of May 1901
" B. D. Jernan
" Ernest Haywood
" Ashby Lee Barker.

(Signed)

W. M. Hines.
Clerk Superior Court for Wake County N.C.

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 the

Virginia B. G. Simpson, deceased, was sufficient to pass both real and personal property.

And it is further ordered and adjudged by the Court that the said Last Will & Testament together with the foregoing examination, affidavits, this certificate order and probate be recorded and filed.

This 17th day of May, 1901.

(Signed) W. M. Rouse, Clerk

of the Superior Court for Wake County, N.C.

North Carolina. In the Superior Court
Wake County. Before W. M. Rouse, Clerk.

In the Matter of the Probate of the Last
Will and Testament of Virginia B. G. Simpson, deceased.
May 17th 1901.

The annexed paper writing with subscribing witnesses dated October 6th 1900 & purporting to be a Codicil to the Last Will & Testament dated August 4th 1877, of Virginia B. G. Simpson, deceased, late a citizen & resident in Wake County North Carolina, is on this the 17th day of May 1901 exhibited and propounded for probate in open Court before me W. M. Rouse Clerk of the Superior Court for Wake County North Carolina by Abby Lee Baker the sole Executor thereof & thereupon the due execution of said paper writing as a Codicil to said Last Will and Testament by Virginia B. G. Simpson was duly proven as follows:

It is proved by the oral Examination of Ernest Haywood one of the subscribing witnesses thereto (and the said Ernest Haywood being duly sworn deposes and says) that he is a subscribing witness to said paper writing now shown him purporting to be a Codicil to the Last Will & Testament of said Virginia B. G. Simpson: that the said V. B. G. Simpson in the presence of this deponent & of Chas. D. Roberts, the other subscribing witness to said paper writing, subscribed her name at the end of said paper writing which is now shown as aforesaid and which bears date on the 6th day of October, 1900, & further that the said Virginia B. G. Simpson, testatrix as aforesaid did at the time of subscribing her name as aforesaid declare the said paper writing

to be her Last Will & Testament and this deponent & the said Chas. D. Roberts, the other subscribing witness to said paper writing did thereupon subscribe their names at the end of said paper writing as attesting witnesses thereto and at the request of and in the presence of said testatrix and in the presence of each other. And further that at said time when the said testatrix subscribed her name to the said Codicil as aforesaid & at the time this deponent and said Roberts subscribed their names as attesting witnesses thereto as aforesaid, the said Virginia B. G. Simpson was of sound and disposing mind & memory of the full age of twenty one years fully capable of making a will, and was not under any restraint or undue influence to the knowledge information or belief of this deponent.

It is proved by the oral Examination of Chas. D. Roberts one of the subscribing witnesses thereto (and the said Chas. D. Roberts being duly sworn, deposes & says) that he is a subscribing witness to said paper writing now shown him purporting to be a Codicil to the Last Will and Testament of said Virginia B. G. Simpson in the presence of this deponent & of Ernest Haywood the other subscribing witness to said paper writing subscribed her name at the end of said paper writing which is now shown as aforesaid and which bears date on the 6th day of October, 1900, and further that the said Virginia B. G. Simpson, testatrix as aforesaid did at the time of subscribing her name as aforesaid declare the said paper writing to be her Last Will & Testament and this deponent & the said Ernest Haywood the other subscribing witness to said paper writing did thereupon subscribe their names at the end of said paper writing as attesting witnesses thereto & at the request of and in the presence of said testatrix and in the presence of each other. And further, that at said time when said testatrix subscribed her name to the said Codicil as aforesaid and at the time this deponent and said Haywood subscribed their names as attesting witnesses thereto as aforesaid, the said Virginia B. G. Simpson was of sound and disposing mind and memory of the full age of twenty one

fully capable of making a will and was not under any restraint or undue influence to the knowledge, information or belief of this deponent.

It is proved by the oath & examination of Robby Lee Baker, (And the said Robby Lee Baker, being duly sworn says):

First:— That the said Virginia B. Y. Simpson is dead and at the time of her death was a citizen of & resided in Wake County, N.C. & had left a Last Will & Testament and also said paper-writing or Codicil thereto that he the said Baker is interested in the estate of said Virginia B. Y. Simpson being one of the devisees & legatees named in said Last Will & Testament & Codicil and is also the sole executor therein named & that said paper writings are in his possession.

Second:— That as near as can be ascertained at present the value of the personal property of the Testatrix is about \$100,000.00, and consists of Stocks, Bonds, Notes Household &c., & other furniture etc.

Third:— That the parties entitled to the property of said Testatrix are the devisees & legatees named in said Last Will & Testament & in said Codicil; that the devisees and legatees named in said Last Will and Testament & in said Codicil are as follows: Robby Lee Baker Master, residing in Raleigh N.C. M. & Emma C. Melane, residing in Greensboro N.C. Annie G. Melane, residing in Greensboro N.C.

Sammy H. Smith residing in Smithville Charlotte County Virginia, Dr. James G. Melane, residing in Milton N.C., Virginia Mary Melane, (now McCary) residing in Chapel N.C. Annie G. Melan residing in Greensville N.C. Robby Lee Baker residing in Raleigh N.C. Dr. John H. McClen residing in Charlotte N.C. Dr. John H. McClen Master residing in Charlotte N.C. Mrs. Harriet Anderson residing in Raleigh N.C. Chas. Candwell, residing in Raleigh N.C. Felix Johnson, residing in Raleigh N.C. Hiramite Johnson residing in Raleigh N.C. Dallas Candwell, residing in Raleigh N.C. Mary Candwell, residing in Raleigh N.C. (Brood of Master of the Prop. Dist. Appraiser at Knoxville, Tenn. & at High Point N.C. & at

of Raleigh N.C. Mary C. Melane (now Parker) residing in Knoxville Tennessee, all of said parties being above the age of twenty one year, this the 17th day of May 1901.

(Signed)

Ernest Thompson,

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Robby Lee Baker.

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Chas. D. Robertson.

Personally Subscribed and sworn to before me this 17th day of May 1901. (Signed) W. M. Russ. Clerk

Superior Court for Wake County, N.C.

It is therefore considered and adjudged by the Court that the said paper writings & every part thereof and the Last Will and Testament and the Codicil to the Last Will and Testament of the said Virginia B. Y. Simpson deceased and are sufficient to pass both real and personal property.

It is further ordered and adjudged by the Court that the said Last Will & Testament & Codicil together with the foregoing examination, affidavits, this certificate or do and probate be recorded and filed. This May 17th 1901.

Signed W. M. Russ. Clerk

Superior Court for Wake County, N.C.

North Carolina & In the Superior Court
Wake County & Before W. M. Russ. Clerk.

In the matter of the Last Will & Application for
Testament of Virginia B. Y. Simpson deceased,
Simpson, deceased,

Robby Lee Baker being duly sworn deposes & says: That Virginia B. Simpson is dead, and at the time of her death was a citizen of and resided in Wake County, N.C., and had first made published and declared and left her Last Will & Testament with a Codicil thereto that he the said Baker is named as sole executor therein, that he is of the full age of twenty one year and resides in the City of Raleigh, N.C. and that he is the proper person entitled to letters testamentary upon the estate of said Virginia B. Y. Simpson deceased. That as near as can be ascertained at present the personal property of said Testatrix, Virginia B. Y. Simpson is of the value of about \$100,000.00, and consists of Stocks, Bonds, Notes Household and Kitchen furniture etc. That the parties entitled to the property of the said Testatrix are the devisees & legatees named in

Last Will and Testament of Adeline's Will, that the devisees and legatees named therein are as follows; Abby Lee Baker, daughter residing in Raleigh N.C. Mrs Emma C. Mcbane, residing in Greensboro N.C. Nanie G. Mcbane residing in Greensboro N.C. Fanny J. Smith residing in Smithville, Charlotte County, Virginia; Arthur W. Mcbane residing in Milton N.C. Virginia George Mcbane (now M^{rs} Gary) residing in Blum N.C. Nanie G. Neal residing in Greensboro N.C. Abby Lee Baker residing in Raleigh N.C. Dr. John H. McAden, residing in Charlotte N.C. Dr. John H. McAden Justice residing in Charlotte N.C. Mrs H. Harriet Adkins residing in Raleigh N.C. Charles Candurell residing in Raleigh N.C. Felix Johnson residing in Raleigh N.C. Hiramette Johnson residing in Raleigh N.C. Dallis Candurell residing in Raleigh N.C. Mary Candurell, residing in Raleigh N.C. Board of Trustees of the Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville, Trustees of the First Baptist Church of Raleigh N.C., Mary C. Mcbane, (now Parker) residing in Knoxville Tennessee, all of said parties being above the age of twenty one years. Said Abby Lee Baker therefore applies for letters Testamentary upon the estate of Virginia B. G. Burpore dead, this 17th day of May 1901. (Signed) Abby Lee Baker, Debtor and comes to before me this 17th day of May 1901.

(Signed) W. M. Russ.
Clerk Superior Court for Wake County, N.C.

Wake County - In the Superior Court.
State of North Carolina.

It is shown that there are - Finding -
It being satisfactorily proven to the undersigned Clerk of the Superior Court for Wake County that Virginia B. G. Burpore late of said County is dead having made last will and testament which has been admitted to probate (a true copy whereof is hereto annexed) and Abby Lee Baker the Executor named therein having qualified as such according to law.
Now these are the contents and substance of

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said Executor to enter in and upon all and singular the goods and chattels, the rights and credits of the said deceased and to come to take into possession whereunto he is found and all the just debts of the said deceased to pay and satisfy and the residue of said estate to distribute according to the directions of said Will.

Witness my hand and the seal of said Court this the 17th day of May, 1901. (Signed) W. M. Russ.
Clerk of the Superior Court.

State of North Carolina
County of Wake } ss.
Superior Court

I, W. M. Russ, Clerk of the Superior Court of the County of Wake, in the State of North Carolina (the same being a Court of record, and having a seal) do hereby certify that the papers books and records of said Court are kept in my office and that I am the keeper of the same; that the foregoing contains a full true and perfect transcript of the record of the last Will & Testament and of the Adeline's Will of Virginia B. G. Burpore, deceased, late a resident and domiciled in said County, also of the probate of the same lately pending before the Clerk of said Court & in said Court and of the Application for letters Testamentary by Abby Lee Baker, and of the letters Testamentary issued to said Baker as Executor & of all other proceedings in regard thereto as appears from the originals thereof on file in my office in the City of Raleigh North Carolina, that the said Will & Testament and Adeline's Will duly enforced to the laws of said State in form and in manner of its execution, that by & under the laws of said State exclusive original jurisdiction of the probate of Wills & Testaments & of granting letters Testamentary & of administration thereon in said County was on the 17th day of May 1901, and ever since then has been and is now held in the Clerk of said Superior Court.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & the seal of said Court at my office in the City of Raleigh N.C. on this the 18th day of October 1901.
(Signed) W. M. Russ, Clerk
Superior Court, North Carolina

(Seal of
C. Sup. Court)

(Seal of
the Court of
Wake Co.)

(over)

North Carolina
Cherokee County

Murphy N.C. August 31st - 1905

The foregoing certificate of N.M. Rupp Clerk of the Superior Court for the County of Wake in the said State of North Carolina, attested by his official seal is adjudged to be sufficient therefore the Will of Virginia B.Y. Simpson is recorded and filed.

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

N. J. Freeman, Clerk
Superior Court.

North Carolina — Cherokee County.

I, D.L. 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 executor hereafter 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 Ballou's amounting to about four acres more or less bounded by the lands of John Simpson and the land R.H. Anderson on the North. I leave known on the West, J.B. Lee's land and the street on the South and special reference is hereby had to the deeds 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, and 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 trusty 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.L. Watts do hereby set my hand and seal, this the 27th day of August 1897. (Signed) D.L. Watts.

Signed sealed and delivered subscribed & declared by the said D.L. Watts to be his last will and testament in the presence of us, who at his request & in his presence do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto

(Signed) Ben Poney
J.P. Hiley

(Over)