

Gaston County - In the Superior Court.

In the Matter of the Will } Before,

of A. W. Carpenter }

J. B. White C.S.C.

B. B. Carpenter, being duly sworn, doth say:

That A. W. Carpenter, late of said County is dead having first made and published his last Will and Testament; and that B. B. Carpenter and L. A. Carpenter are the executors named therein.

Further, that the property of the said A. W. Carpenter consisting of United States Bonds, Money on hand Personal and Real property is worth about \$4000, so far as can be ascertained at the date of this application; and that L. A. Carpenter, widow of said deceased, and Andrew Franklin Carpenter, Eva Carpenter, and Ella Carpenter his children, who are minors and without Guardians,

are the parties entitled under said Will to the said property, sworn and subscribed before me, } B. B. Carpenter.

This 12th day of March 1884. }

J. B. White C.S.C.

A. W. Carpenter

Sept, 28, 1883. This is to show what I want done with my property Real and Personal at my death. I give Andrew Franklin Carpenter the home place 300 acres of land more or less, and Eva Carpenter and Ella Carpenter to have the Sifford place, and my personal property to be divided equal with them all when they become of age.

Last Will & Testament of Susan B.

and Ella Carpenter to have the Sifford place, and my personal property to be divided equal with them all when they become of age, And my wife S. A. Carpenter to have a life interest in all the property, I appoint L. A. Carpenter Administrator, and B. B. Carpenter Administrators,
A. W. Carpenter.

State of North Carolina, } In the Superior Court,
Gaston County }

A paper-writing without subscribing witnesses purporting to be the last Will and Testament of A. W. Carpenter deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned Clerk of the Superior Court for said County, by B. B. Carpenter one of the executors therein named. It is thereupon proved by the oath and examination of B. B. Carpenter that the said Will was found among the valuable papers and effects of the said A. W. Carpenter, after his death. And it is further proved by the oath and examination of three Competent and Credible witnesses, to wit: B. B. Carpenter, M. S. Mason and M. Alice Mason, that they are acquainted with the handwriting of the said A. W. Carpenter, having often seen him write, and verily believe that the name of the said A. W. Carpenter subscribed to the said Will, and the said Will itself, and every part thereof are in the handwriting of the said A. W. Carpenter. It is therefore considered by the Court that the said paper-writing is the last Will and Testament of the said A. W. Carpenter, and the same is recorded and filed. And thereupon the said L. A. Carpenter the executor and B. B. Carpenter the executor therein named, duly qualify as such by taking and subscribing to the oath required by law, and taking Letters Testamentary upon the estate of said testator.
This 12th day of March 1884,
J. B. White Clerk Superior Court.

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