

Gaston County - In the Superior Court.

In the Matter of the Will } Before J.B. White C.S.C.
of David Aderholdt }
J.A.G. Aderholdt and John McRhodes being duly sworn, doth say;
that David Aderholdt late of said County, is dead, having first
made & published his last Will & Testament; And that J.A.G.
Aderholdt and John McRhodes are the executors named therein;
Further, that the property of the said David Aderholdt consisting
of four hundred & fifty five acres of land
is worth about \$2750 so far as can
be ascertained at the date of this application, and that
Sarah Aderholdt (widow) & M Aderholdt, J.A.G Aderholdt,
Sarah Gloringer wife of J.S. Gloringer, M.L.C. Rhodes wife of
J McRhodes, M.C. Roddill, J.D. Andisill, Mary Blonk wife of J.S. Blonk,
Margaret Manney, wife of Samuel Manney, Fannie Carpenter, wife of
Marcus Carpenter, Frances Sackey, wife of Aderson Sackey, Amanda
Kerrick, wife of W. Kendrick, Margaret Aderholdt &
two last named are minors without guardian. Are the entitled under said Will to the said property.

Swear to & Subscribed before me
this 11th day of March 1884

J.B. White L.S.C.

J.A.G. Aderholdt
John McRhodes

State of North Carolina,
County of Gaston.

I, David Aderholdt of the County and State aforesaid,
being of sound [&] disposing mind [&] memory, but feeling
the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death, do hereby make
and declare this to be my last Will [&] Testament in manner [&]
form as follows, to wit:

1st I Will [&] devise to my beloved wife Sarah Aderholdt all the
land that I now own, including the tract known as the
"Home Place", on which I now live, containing about One Hundred
and Twenty five (125) Acres, And that tract situated near
Chempville. Known as the "Cansler place" containing Three
Hundred (300) Acres. More or less. To have [&] hold said tracts
of land together with all the improvements [&] appurtenances thereto
belonging to my said wife Sarah Aderholdt, for [&] during the term
of her natural life. And at her death, I hereby direct that said
lands be disposed of as follows: That my son John A. F. Aderholdt
have the first chance of my "Home place", on which I now live.
at the sum of Six Hundred Dollars (\$600.); And provided
That he is not willing to take said land at said price, then
and in that event, I Will that my executors of this my last Will and
Testament dispose of the said tract of land by public Auction
or upon such terms as they may think best; And that the

in that event, I will that my executors of this my last Will and Testament dispose of the said tract of land by public auction or upon such terms as they may think best; And that the Other or "Bassler Tract" be sold by my executors at public auction as a whole or divided ^{and} upon such terms as they may think best:

- 2nd I. Will that all personal property on hand at the time of my death except the Household & Kitchen furniture, be sold at public auction by my executors.
- 3rd I. Will that my beloved wife shall have the use of all the Household and Kitchen furniture during the term of her Natural life, and at her death to be disposed of in the same manner as the personal property herein before mentioned.
- 4th I. Will that at the death of my beloved wife, when all the Real & personal property shall have been disposed of as directed, that the proceeds shall be equally divided between my children, or their heirs, except my son W^m M. Aderholdt, he having received his share heretofore.
- 5th I. Will ^{and} bequeath to my son W^m M. Aderholdt, the sum of one dollar (\$1.) he having heretofore received his share of my estate as above stated.
- 6th I. hereby constitute ^{and} appoint my son John A. F. Aderholdt ^{and} my son-in-law John M. Rhodes, my legal executors of this my last Will ^{and} Testament.
- In Testimony whereof, I hereunto set my hand ^{and} seal, this 23. day of January A. D. 1882.

Attest

W. S. Crouse

A. C. Mullins

David Aderholdt 

State of North Carolina } In the Superior Court
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A paper writing purporting to be the Last Will & Testament of David Aderholdt, deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned Clerk of the Superior Court for Said County, by J. A. G. Aderholdt and John M. Rhodes the executors therein mentioned, And the due execution thereof by the said David Aderholdt was proven by the oath and examination of W. L. Brumse & A. C. Mullins the subscribing witnesses thereto, Who being duly sworn, doth depose & say, each for himself deposes & saith that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown him purporting to be the Last Will & Testament of David Aderholdt that the said David Aderholdt in the presence of this deponent subscribed his name at the end of said paper writing which is now shown as aforesaid, & which bears date of the 23rd day of January 1882,

And the deponent further saith, That the said David Aderholdt the testator aforesaid, did at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid, declare said paper writing so subscribed by him and exhibited to be his last Will & Testament, And this deponent did therewith subscribe his name at the end of said will as an attesting witness thereto, & at the request & in the presence of the said testator, And this deponent further saith that at the said testator, And this deponent further saith that at the

the testator aforesaid, did at the time of subscribing his name
as aforesaid, declare said paper-writing so subscribed by him
and exhibited to be his last Will and Testament. And this defendant
did therewith subscribe his name at the end of said Will
as an Attesting Witness thereto, and at the request ^{of} in the presence of the
said testator. And this defendant 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 defendants
subscribing his name as an Attesting Witness thereto, as aforesaid,
the said David Aderholdt 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 defendant
It is therefore considered by the Court, that the said paper-writing
and every part thereof is the last Will and Testament of the said
David Aderholdt, deceased, and the same is recorded and filed.
And therewith the said J. A. F. Aderholdt and John McRhodes the
executors named in said Will as aforesaid, duly qualifies as
such by taking and subscribing to the oath required by law,
and taking letters testamentary upon the estate of said testator.
This 10th day of March 1884.

J. B. White Clerk
Superior Court.