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State of North Carolina. In the Superior Court.
Gaston County.

Will of
Florence M.
Cole. Deceased

A paper-writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Florence M. Cole, deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned Clerk of the Superior Court for said County, by C. C. Cornwall the Executor therein mentioned, and the due execution thereof by the said Florence M. Cole by the oath and examination of John C. Rankin and D. W. Padgett. The subscribing witnesses thereto, who, being duly sworn, doth depose and say each for himself depose and saith that he is a subscribing witness to the paper-writing now shown him purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Florence M. Cole, that the said Florence M. Cole in the presence of this deponent, subscribed her name at the end of said paper-writing, now shown as aforesaid, and which bears date of the 19th day of January 1898.

And the deponent further saith, that the said Florence M. Cole the testator aforesaid, did, at the time of subscribing her name as aforesaid, declare the said paper-writing so subscribed by her and exhibited to be her last Will and Testament, and this deponent did

M. Cole the testator aforesaid, did, at the request of, and
describing her name as aforesaid, declare the said paper
writing so subscribed by her and exhibited to be her
last Will and Testament, and this deponent did
then upon subscribe his name at the end of said Will
as an attesting witness thereto, and at the request
and in the presence of the said testator. And this
deponent further saith, that at the said time
when the said testator subscribed her name to the
said last Will as aforesaid, and at the time
of deponent's subscribing his name as an attest-
ing witness thereto, as aforesaid, the said
Florence M. Cole 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 these deponents
say not.

John C. Rankin,
D. W. Padgett.

Severally sworn and subscribed this 14th day
of April 1898, before me

J. H. Davis
Clerk Superior Court.

North Carolina
Gaston County.

I Florence M. Cole of the aforesaid County and State,
being of a sound mind, but considering the uncer-
tainty of my earthly existence do make and declare
this my last will and testament.

1st My executor hereinafter named shall give my
body a decent burial and pay all funeral ex-
penses together with all my just debts out of
any money he may have in his hands. Belong-
ing to my estate.

2nd I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary Mena
Cole all the moneys, goods and chattels of
every description belonging to my own and
my husbands estate.

3rd And whereas my said daughter Mary Mena
Cole is a minor of the age of about five years;
Now, therefore my will and desire is that C. C.
Cornwell be and he is hereby constituted and ap-
pointed guardian of said Mary Mena Cole to have
and to hold the custody of her estate until the said
Mary Mena Cole shall arrive at the age of twenty
one years.

pointed guardian of said Mary Mena Cole to have and to hold the custody of her estate until the said Mary Mena Cole shall arrive at the age of twenty one years.

I hereby constitute and appoint C. C. Cornwall my lawful executor to all intents and purposes to execute this my last will and testament according to the true intent and meaning of same and every part and clause thereof hereby revoking and declaring utterly void all other wills and testaments by me heretofore made.

In witness whereof I, the said Florence M. Cole do hereunto set my hand and seal, this 19th day of January 1898

Florence M. Cole Seal

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the said Florence M. Cole to be her last will and testament in the presence of us, who, at her request and in her presence, do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto

John A. Paulkin.
J. H. Sadgett.

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In the matter of the last Will of Florence M. Cole,
Appearing to the Court by the oath and examination
of John O. Rankin and D W Sadgett the subscribing
witnesses thereto, that the paper writing propounded
by the Executor therein named, is the last Will and
testament of Florence M. Cole and that the same
was duly executed by said Florence M. Cole in the
presence of said witnesses and that at the time of
signing the same the said Florence M. Cole was
of sound mind. It is thereupon adjudged that
the said paper writing be admitted to probate as
the last Will and testament of the said Florence
M. Cole and the Executor therein named qualify
as such.

This the 14th day of April 1898.
J. H. Davis, Clerk Superior Court.