

State of North Carolina } Before E. L. Wilson
Gaston County } Clerk Superior Court.

In the matter of the last Will of }
John J. Mandenhall }

N. D. Glenn being duly sworn doth say:
that John J. Mandenhall late of the said County is dead, having
first made and published his last Will and Testament, and
that the affiant N. D. Glenn is the Executor named
therein. Further, that the property of the said
John J. Mandenhall, consisting of about 80 acres of land
2 mules. One cow and calf, One Wagon 3 hogs, 2 Sheep. Household
and Kitchen furniture is worth about 750⁰⁰. so far as can
be ascertained at the date of this application, and that
Fannie C. Bell, Sallie C. Kennedy, Mary M. Bell and
Elmira McIntosh, wife of William McIntosh, all of Gaston
County, & all of full age except Mary M. Bell, are the
parties entitled under said Will to the said property.

N. D. Glenn
Sworn to and Subscribed before me, the 9th
day of November 1891.

E. L. Wilson
Clerk Superior Court.

Witness

J. J. Mendenhall's
Will.

North Carolina

Gaston County } September 28th 1887.

I know all men by these presents that I John J. Mendenhall of the above County and State being of sound and disposing mind and memory but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence do make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following. Viz.

Item 1st

I will and devise that my executors hereinafter named shall sell all my personal property of every kind except such as may be hereinafter otherwise disposed of and collect all debts due me and out of the first money that may come into their hands pay all my just debts and funeral expenses and put up at my grave a suitable tombstone.

" 2nd

I give and bequeath to Harriet E. Bell, who now lives with me, all my land on which I now live, adjoining lands of W. D. Glimm, W. J. Torrence and others together with all rents, issues and profits of the same for and during her natural life and I will that at her death the said land shall descend to her two daughters Sallie E. Kennedy and Mary M. Bell, the latter now living with me.

" 3rd

living with me.
I will and bequeath to the said Mary M. Bell, all the
house hold and Kitchen furniture that may be on hand
and belonging to me at the time of my death also One cow
and calf, her choice.

" 4th

I give and bequeath to Harriet E. Bell all the corn, wheat
and other grain and provisions that may be on hand at
the time of my death. Also all the growing crops that
may be on my lands at the same time.

" 5th

I will and devise that the One third part of the net proceeds of sale
of personal property shall be given to my sister Elmira M. Antosh
if living, and the other two thirds shall be given to Mary M. Bell
above named, and if Elmira M. Antosh shall be dead, then the
part that she would have received, if living, shall be given to
Mary M. Bell. Item 6th I will and devise that all other of my

" 7th

Brothers, sisters and relatives shall not receive anything.
I do hereby appoint W. D. Glenn & E. L. Wilson my executors
to execute this will. I hereby revoking all other will her-
etofore made by me. Signed in presence of us, who at his
request have witnessed the same, date above.

Witnesses

W. D. Glenn

E. L. Wilson

W. M. Nolen, Jr.

John J. Mendenhall

State of North Carolina } In the Superior Court
 Gaston County }
 A paper writing purporting to be the last Will
 and Testament of John J. Mendenhall Deceased
 is exhibited before me the undersigned, Clerk
 of the Superior Court for said County by W. D. Glenn
 One of the executors therein named and the due
 execution thereof by the said John J. Mendenhall is
 proved by the oath and examination of W. D. Glenn
 and W. M. Nolan 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 John J. Mendenhall,
 that the said John J. Mendenhall in the presence of
 this deponent, subscribed his name at the end of
 said paper writing now shown as afore said and
 which bears date of the 28th day of September 1887.
 And the deponent further says, that the said John J. Mendenhall
 the testator aforesaid, did at the time of subscribing

And the deponent further saith, That the said John J. Mendenhall the testator aforesaid, did at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid, declare the said paper writing so subscribed and exhibited, to be his 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 testator subscribed his name to the said last Will as aforesaid and at the time of deponent's subscribing his name as an attesting witness thereto as aforesaid, the said John J. Mendenhall 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.

W. D. Glenn

W. M. Nolan

Solemnly Sworn and Subscribed this 9th day of November 1891, before me,

E. L. Wilson
Clerk Superior Court.

Last Will
Mary A. To