

Being in infirm health and knowing the uncertainty of life.
I, Lodema Jenkins of Gaston County, North Carolina, do make
and establish this to be my Last Will and Testament in respect
of all my worldly property, to wit:

First.

I will and direct that my Executors hereinafter named, shall
sell all the real estate I own in the City of Charlotte, North Carolina,
consisting of two lots known as the Dr Fox lots on Trade Street, and
one lot on the same street, opposite the Court House conveyed to me
by Esquire Todd. My said Executors shall also sell any and all
other estate, real and personal I may own, any where, at my death,
and the proceeds of said sales, and all moneys I may have
on hand or due me, I dispose of as follows: viz:

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The same to be equally divided, share and share alike, between
my following named children, to wit: Aaron, William, James,
David H. Laben, Elmira Hoffman, and Martha Jane Hoffman, with
the following limitations & provisions, as to the share of Laben & Elmira, to wit:
The share of Laben to be invested in United States bonds, bearing four
per cent interest, or in other good & safe interest bearing securities, as may
be most advantageous. My said son to have the use & benefit of the
income of said fund, under the control and management of my
Executors, until his age of twenty one, at which time the said legacy
is to be his absolutely. But in case my said son dies before his age of
twenty one, unmarried, or dies before twenty one married and leaving

is to be his absolutely. But in case my said son dies before his age of twenty one, unmarried, or dies before twenty one Married and leaving no lawful issue of said marriage living at his death. then his said legacy is to revert and be equally divided between my Children hereinbefore named and provided for. Subject to the limitations & provisions hereafter stated. The Share of Elmina Wife of W. H. Hoffman is to be invested in the same way & manner, as is directed herein. as to the Share of my son Laban, with this further provision, to wit: My said daughter & her Husband Dr. W. H. Hoffman, are to have the use & benefit of the income of said sum or investment during their joint lives & during the life of the survivor of them. And at the death of the survivor, the principal of the sum so invested, shall go to the issue of the said Elmina.

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In Consideration of the Careful Attention of Fanny Allen, to me in my long illness & of my gratitude for her services, I give and bequeath to the said Fanny Allen the sum of Three Hundred and fifty dollars, over and above her wages; the said sum is given upon the Condition that said Fanny shall remain with me until my death & bestow upon me the same care and attention. The said legacy to be paid before the residuary legacies hereinbefore given to my before named Children. In respect of the lots in the City of Charlotte, before directed to be sold, it is understood and so declared hereby, that they are disposed of as herein before directed. Subject to the life estate therein, of my husband, Dr. A. Jenkins, as tenant by the Curtesy, in case he survives me. Revoking all former Wills & declaring this to be my last Will & Testament, I appoint my son Aaron D. Jenkins and W. B. Byrum the Executors thereof. - Jan 11, 1880.

Signed, published & declared to be
the last Will & Testament of Lodema
Jenkins, by her in our presence &
witnessed by us & signed in her
presence & witnessed by us at her
request in the presence of each other
J. H. Byssoux
J. B. Robinson
Fanny Allen

Lodema Jenkins Seal

State of North Carolina } In the Probate Court
Gaston County } November 1st 1881.

A paper-writing purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of Lodema Jenkins deceased is exhibited before me, the undersigned Judge of Probate for said County, by D. A. Jenkins. And the due execution thereof by the said Lodema Jenkins, is duly proven by the Oath and examination of J. R. Robinson and J. M. Haysoux 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 Lodema Jenkins deceased. That the said Lodema Jenkins in the presence of this deponent subscribed her name, at the end of said paper-writing, which is now shown as aforesaid, and which bears date of the 11th day of January 1880. And these deponents further say, that the said Lodema Jenkins the testatrix aforesaid, did at the time of subscribing her name as aforesaid, declare the said paper-writing to be subscribed by her and exhibited, to be her Last Will and Testament, and these deponents did thereupon subscribe their names at the end of said Will as attesting Witnesses thereto, and at the request and in the presence of the said testatrix. And these deponents further say that at the said time when the said testatrix subscribed her name to the said last Will as aforesaid, and at the time of these deponents subscribing their names as attesting Witnesses thereto, as aforesaid, the said Lodema Jenkins 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 these deponents.

It is the duty of the Court that the said paper-writing and every

the knowledge, information or belief of these deponents.
It is therefore considered by the Court, that the said
Last Testament is the Last Will and Testament of the said
same is ordered to be recorded and filed. A D Jenkins
the executors named in said Last Will and Testament aforesaid
And undertake any of the burdens of said office
And thereupon W. A. Jenkins is duly appointed and qualifies as
Administrator with the Will annexed, after giving Bond, by taking Oath
subscribing to the Oath required by law. J. J. White Probate Judge

Gaston County:- In the Probate Court.
In the Matter of the Will of Lodema Jenkins.
A. A. Jenkins being sworn, doth say, That Lodema Jenkins
is dead, having first made and published her Last Will and Testament.
That the property of the said Lodema Jenkins consisted of real estate
worth about \$3,000, so far as can be ascertained at the date of this Application, and
the children of said Lodema Jenkins are the parties entitled under said Will
to said property.

Subscribed before me,
J. J. White Probate Judge.

Before J. J. White Judge of Probate
Lodema Jenkins, late of said County,
Last Will and Testament. And that

A. A. Jenkins