

North Carolina, Gaston County.

I, Marion Hord, of the aforesaid County and State, being of sound mind but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence do make and declare this my last will and testament.

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Second- I give and devise to my sister Martha Guyton all of my real estate, containing 129 1/4 acres ^{Lying} and being in Cherryville Township, Gaston County, adjoining lands of Larken Thornburg, Wesley Mauney and others or the remainder of money if any after all debts is paid.

Third- I give to my cousin Mrs Naomi Mauney Twenty five Dollars out of my real estate. All of my expenses, doctor bills and nursing and caring for me to be paid out of property and the remainder to go to my sister Martha Guyton and her heirs as my Executor hereinafter named thinks best to dispose of said property.

I hereby appoint my trusty friend Philetus Borders my lawful Executor to all intents and purposes to execute this my last will and testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same and every part and clause thereof.

Seal this 14th day of April, 1909.

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Signed, sealed, published and declared by the said Marion Hord to be his last Will and testament in the presense of us who at his request and in his presence of

each other) do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto.

Attest:

J. L. Thornburg

S. L. Kiser, J. P.

S. A. Mauney

State of North Carolina,

In the Superior Court.

Gaston County.

In the Matter of the last Will of M. F. Hord-

It appearing to the Court by the oath and examination of J. L. Thornburg and S. A. Mauney the subscribing witnesses thereto, that the paper writing propounded by the Executor therein named, is the last will and testament of M. F. Hord and that the same was duly executed by said M. F. Hord in the presence of said witnesses and that at the time of signing the same the said M. F. Hord 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 M. F. Hord and the Executor therein named qualify as such.

This the 17th day of May, 1909.

C. C. Cornwell, Clerk Superior Court.