

In the name of God" Amen.

I M. S. P. Costner of Gaston County state of North Carolina, being of sound mind and in reasonable health but in view of the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death, do declare this to be my last will and testament.

First at the time of my death all of my just debts shall be paid and a suitable amount of my assets be used to pay my funeral expenses.

Secondly it is my desire at the time of my death that my beloved wife Bettie Costner, shall have all of my property both real and personal so long as she remains my widow to have and control the same and at her death said property to be given to my three children Clayton, Archie and BEverly Costner. And lastly at the time of the death of my wife, should it become nessessary to have an administration. It is my will that my son Clayton shall enter and see that this my will is duly executed.

To all of which I set my hand and seal and acknowledge this to be my last will and testament and signed and acknowledged in the presence of

W. L. Stowe

This Dec. 18th 1907.

A. P. H. Rhyne

M. S. P. Costner (Seal).

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M. S. P. Costner (Seal).

State of North Carolina,

In the Superior Court.

Gaston County.

In the Matter of the last Will of M. S. P. Costner.

It appearing to the Court by the oath and examination of W. L. Stowe and A. P. H. Rhyne the subscribing witnesses thereto, that the paper writing propounded by the Executor therein named, is the last will and testament of M. S. P. Costner and that the same was duly executed by said M. S. P. Costner in the presence of said witnesses and that at the time of signing the same the said M. S. P. Costner was of sound mind. It is thereupon adjudged that the said paper writing be admitted to prove as the last will and testament of the said M. S. P. Costner.

This 31st day of March 1908.

C. C. Cornwell,

Clerk Superior Court.