

State of North Carolina,

Gaston County.

I, William H. Spencer, of the county of Gaston and state of North Carolina, being of sound mind and disposing memory, but realizing the uncertainty of my earthly existence, do make, publish and declare this my Last Will and Testament, in manner and form following, that-is-to-say:

1. It Is My Will that my executor hereinafter named shall pay all my just debts, if any, including the funeral expenses of myself and my wife, out of any moneys that may come into his hands from my estate, if any funds are found, otherwise my sons hereinafter named shall pay such debts out of the property willed to them.

2. It Is My Will, that my daughter, Etta Alexander, shall not pay any part of the expenses incurred in settling my estate, nor any part of any of the debts due or funeral expenses above mentioned.

3. I Give and devise to my son W. Oscar Spencer, my Home Place, where I now live, in said county of Gaston, containing 46 acres- more or less- adjoining the lands of Luther Bess, Davis Rhyne and Ephraim Holland; to have and hold same to him and his heirs forever. This devise is charged with the sum of \$150.00 for the use and benefit of my said daughter, Etta Alexander, without expense to her.

4. I give and devise to my son, Hartwell S. Spencer, my tract of land, containing 30 acres, more or less- adjoining the lands of Jonas

and devise to my son, Hartwell S. Spencer, my tract of land, containing 30 acres, more or less- adjoining the lands of Jonas Jenkins, Alberty Jenkins, Grier Jenkins and others, in said county of Gaston; to have and hold same to him and his heirs forever. This tract is also charged with \$150.00 for the use and benefit of my said daughter, Etta Alexander without expense to her.

5. The said two tracts of land above described are hereby further charged with the support of myself and my wife, Sarah Spencer, during our natural lives, to be paid pro-rata by my said sons.

6. I will, give and devise to my said sons, each, equally, my one acre tract of land lying and being on Long Creek, in said county, adjoining the lands of E. S. Saunders, Ambrose Rhyne and others: to have and to hold the same to them and their heirs forever.

7. I give and bequeath to my said sons, equally, my Reaper and my Mower, to have and hold forever. All the rest of my personal property except live stock and farming implements, I will to be disposed of at the death of myself and my said wife, and the proceeds divided equally among my said children. The said live-stock and farming implements are hereby given and bequeathed to my son, W. Oscar Spencer, to have and to hold forever.

8. I hereby name and appoint my said son W. Oscar Spencer, my executor to give effect to this my last will and testament.

In Testimony whereof, I the said William H. Spencer, have hereunto set my hand and seal, this the \_\_\_\_ day of Dec. A. D., 190\_\_

W. H. Spencer (Seal)

Signed, sealed, published and xdeclared by the said William H. Spencer to be his last will and testament in the presence of us, who at his request ins and in his presence do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto.

J. Q. Holland,

J. M. Parker.

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In the Matter of the Last Will of W. H. Spencer.

It appearing to the Court by the oath and examination of J. M. Parker and J. Q. Holland, the subscribing witnesses thereto, that the paper writing propounded by the Executor therein named, is the last will and testament of W. H. Spencer and that the same was duly exeuted by said W. H. Spencer in the presence of said witnesses and that at the time of signing the same the said W. H. Spencer was of sound mind. It is thereupon ad udged that the said paper writing be admitted to probate as the last will and testament of the said W. H. Spencer and the ExeCutor therein named qualify as such.

This the 18th day of May, 1908.

C. C. Cornwell,

Clerk Superior Court.