

Gaston County - In the Probate Court

In the Matter of the Will { Before J. G. White Judge of Probate
of W. T. Whitesides }

Margaret Whitesides being sworn, doth say:

That W. T. Whitesides late of Said County, is dead, having first made and published his last Will and Testament; and that Margaret Whitesides is the Executrix named therein.

Further, that the property of the said W. T. Whitesides consisting of Real Estate and Personal property is worth about \$3000. so far as can be ascertained at the date of this application. And that his widow Margaret Whitesides and his children, to wit: Samuel J., Laura E., Mary H. and William H. Whitesides are the parties entitled under said Will to the said property.

Sworn to and subscribed before me.) (Signed) Margaret J. Whitesides
this 5th day of April 1882)

J. G. White Probate Judge }

Know all men by these presents, that Wm T. Whitesides of the County of Gaston and State of North Carolina being in feeble health, but of sound mind & memory, do make

this 5th day of April 1882
J. G. White Probate Judge

Know all men by these presents, that Wm T. Whitesides
of the County of Gaston and State of North Carolina being
in feeble health, but of sound mind & memory, do make
this my last Will and Testament, viz: First that my
Executor herein after appointed arrange with my
creditors for the payment of all my just debts.

2nd that after the 1st item of my will is complied with
that all my property both Real & Personal be & remain
under the care and management of my dear wife Margaret
during her natural life or widowhood, for the common
use and support of herself and children.

I hereby appoint my wife Margaret Executor of this
my last Will and testament, to execute and fulfill the same.

Signed & sealed this 5th day of Apr 1881,

In presence of {
Thos Wilson
James McCarson
Wm Wilson

(Signed) W. T. Whitesides Seal

State of North Carolina } In the Probate Court
Gaston County } April 5th 1882.

A paper-writing purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of W. T. Whitesides deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned Judge of Probate for said County, by Margaret Whitesides the Executrix therein mentioned, and the due execution thereof by the said W. T. Whitesides was proved by the Oath and examination of Thos Wilson and James McLean two of the Subscribing Witnesses thereto who being duly sworn doth depose and say and each for himself deposeth and saith, that he is a Subscribing Witness to the paper-writing now shown him purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of W. T. Whitesides, that the said W. T. Whitesides in the presence of this deponent subscribed his name at the end of said paper-writing, which is now shown as aforesaid, and which bears date of the 3rd day of November 1881.

And the Deponent further saith, That the said W. T. Whitesides the testator aforesaid, did at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid, declare the said paper-writing so subscribed by him and exhibited to be his Last Will and Testament, And this deponent did thereupon 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

as aforesaid. He declare the said paper-writing so subscribed
by him and exhibited to be his Last Will and Testament. And
this deponent did therupon 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 said testator
subscribed his name to the said last Will as aforesaid, and
at the time of the deponent's subscribing his name as an Attesting
Witness thereto the said W. T. Whitesides 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.

It is therefore Considered by the Court, that the said
paper-writing and every part thereof is the last Will and Testament
of the said W. T. Whitesides deceased. And the same is
ordered to be recorded and filed.

And therupon Margaret Whitesides the Executrix therein
named as aforesaid duly qualifies as such by taking and
subscribing to the Oath required by law. And Letters testamentary
thereto.

This 5th day of April 1882.

J. B. White Probate Judge.