

I Grace Case of the County of Greene and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and Memory but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence, do make and declare this my last Will and Testament, in manner form following, that is to say:

First: That my estate hereinafter named shall provide for my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my relatives and friends, and pay all funeral expenses, together with my just debts, however and to whomsoever owing of the Money that may first come into her hands as a part or parcel of my estate.

Item

I give and devise to my beloved daughter S. M. Case one of the tract of land on which I now live in fee simple, to his own use and behoof forever.

Item I give to Mary Heath, my daughter one bed.

Item I give to Laura Smith my daughter one bed.

Item I give to Martha Keen my daughter one bed.

Item I give to Elizabeth Johnson my daughter one bed which is already in her possession, having been placed there by me at birth, but considering mine to do as I desire.

Item I give to Geo. A. Case my son one bed which is already in his possession, but having been placed there by me to do as I desire with-

Item I give to Hugh Case my grandson one bed known as the bed of A. H. Case deceased.

Item I give to S. M. Case all other personal property in fee simple.

And lastly I do constitute and appoint my beloved daughter S. M. Case my lawful executor to all intents and purposes to execute this my last Will and Testament according to the true intent and meaning thereof, hereby revoking and declaring utterly null and void all other wills and testaments by me heretofore made.

In witness whereof the said Grace Case has hereunto set my hand and seal the 17 day of Nov- 1896-

Grace Case (Seal)
Signed, sealed, published and declared by the said Grace Case to be her last will and testament in the presence of us at

her request and in her presence do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto
Thomas M. Jordan
George W. Hart

North Carolina } In the Superior Court
Greene County } Before J. R. Daell, Clerk.

In the matter of the }
probate of the last } Commission to take the
Will and testament } Deposition of T. M. Jordan
of Mrs. Grace Case } one of the witnesses to said will

The State of North Carolina to W^m M. Rees Esq. Prothonotary, do authorize and empower you to cause Thomas M. Jordan to appear before you at such time and place as you may appoint and him on oath to examine touching all such matters and things as he shall know of and concerning the execution by Mrs. Grace Case of the paper writing purporting to be her last Will and testament which is heretofore made and to which the name of said Thomas M. Jordan is subscribed as witness thereto.

And the deposition in writing, by you so taken, to be sent to transmit, sealed with your seal, to our Superior Court for said County of Greene. In witness whereof I John R. Daell, Clerk of the Superior Court for Greene County, have hereunto set my hand and official my official seal, this 11th day of March, A.D. 1905.

(Seal)

John R. Daell
Clerk of the Superior Court
for Greene County

North Carolina }
Greene County }

Pursuant to the Commission to me then and hereunto attached, at the Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of this County, on the 15th day of March 1905, proceeded to take the deposition of Thomas M. Jordan the witness named in said Commission and to me then and

Thomas M. Jordan being duly sworn,
in answer to interrogatories deposes as follows:

Question: What is your name, age and residence?
Answer: Thomas M. Jordan, aged 48 yrs., residence Raleigh, N.C.

Question: Examine the paper writing presented you, purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Grace Caswell, dated Nov. 17, 1896, to which your name is subscribed as an attesting witness.
State whether or not you subscribed your name as an attesting witness thereto, at the request and in the presence of the Testatrix.

Answer: I subscribed my name as an attesting witness thereto, at her request and in her presence.

Question: Do you swear that at the time the Testatrix signed the same, (by making her mark) and at the time it was subscribed by you as an attesting witness, that the Testatrix Grace Caswell was, of full age to make an executed will, of sound mind and memory, and under no restraint to your knowledge or belief.

Answer: I do.

Thomas M. Jordan

The foregoing deposition was duly taken, sworn to and subscribed before me

Witness my hand and Office seal this 15th day of March, A.D. 1905.

Seal

W. M. Russ
Clerk Superior Court

State of North Carolina, } s.d. In the Superior Court,
Greene County.

A paper purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Grace Caswell deceased, is exhibited before me, thereunto signed, Clerk of the Superior Court for said County, by T. M. Case, the executrix therein mentioned, and the due execution thereof by the said Grace Caswell by the oath & examination of Geo. W. Host, the subscribing witness thereto, who being duly sworn, did depose and say, and each for himself depose and swear, that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown him, purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Grace Caswell, that the said Grace Caswell in the presence of this deponent subscribed her name at the end of said paper writing, which is now shown as aforesaid, and which Grace Caswell died of the 17th day of Nov. 1896.

And the Deponent further saith, That the said Grace Caswell the testatrix aforesaid, did at the time of subscribing her name as aforesaid declare the said paper writing as subscribed by her, and exhibited to be her 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 said testatrix. And the Deponent further saith, that at the same time when the said testatrix 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, as aforesaid, the said Grace Caswell 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; And further these deponents say, that

Geo. W. Host

Sworn to and subscribed,
this 18th day of April 1905, before me,
John B. Dail Clerk Superior Court.

North Carolina, } s.d. In the Superior Court,
Greene County.

It is the unanimous and adjudged by the Court, that the said paper writing and each part thereof is the last Will and Testament of Grace Caswell deceased. Let the said Will, together with the probate, be recorded and filed.

This 18th day of April, 1905

John B. Dail Clerk Superior Court

North Carolina Greene County
 I Daniel Artis considering the uncertainty of
 this life being in feeble health but of sound mind
 and memory I wish to dispose of my estate
 among my children and thing here I do
 therefore make and declare this to be my
 last will and testament in manner &
 form following to wit: hereby ~~making~~ ^{making} entirely
 void and of no effect all other wills they were
 heretofore made.
 Item 1

I give and devise to my daughter Clara
 Edwors wife of Henry Edwors her hirs the
 interest I have in the lands of Henry Edwors
 purchased from Debs Cook adjoining the lands
 on which I live the said interest belonging to
 me is the value of one hundred and twenty
 two dollars which sum was paid by me to
 said Cook and for which it was agreed by
 said Henry Edwors I should have land for
 said amt at same rate per acre that he paid
 for same but needed for same has ever been
 allotted to me by said Henry Edwors
 for same as was agreed.

Item 2. I give and devise to my son Henry
 Artis his hirs forty acres of land including
 the dwelling house where I now live.

Item 3. I give and devise to the children of my son
 Tobias Artis his wife Mandy & their hirs forty
 acres of land being the land that said Tobias
 resided on at the time of his death including
 all buildings thereon.

Item 4. I give and devise to the children of my
 daughter Piss Art & their hirs forty acres of
 land and the buildings thereon being some
 that William Thompson lives on.

Item 5. Devise and desire, that whatever amt
 it may be found by a Committee of
 disinterested parties that may be needed in
 making the share of my daughter Clara equal
 to the other share of my said children & their
 hirs as desired in Item 2. 3 & 4 each lot
 shall pay to her next amt as shall be
 assessed by said Committee to make her

share equal with the other share - the ~~same~~ ^{same} to
 be paid within 2 years after my death.
 Item 6 -

I give and desire that each lot of land
 devised by me to my said children and their hirs
 in Item 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 shall be taxed with the payment
 to my daughter Maria Swinsant twelve & one half
 dollars making for the four shares a total of fifty
 dollars to be paid to the said Maria Swinsant
 wife of Jess Swinsant or her hirs - my purpose
 is to divide my lands equally between my said
 children and the legal representatives those who had
 and I do hereby make all other wills by me
 heretofore made void and declare this to be my last
 will and testament.

In witness I hereunto set my hand and seal
 on this the 17th day of January 1908.
 Daniel ^{Artis} ~~Artis~~ ^{Artis}
 Testes
 Theo Edwors to signature

We the undersigned the subscribing
 witnesses here to have witnessed the
 instrument at the request of Daniel
 Artis the testator that the same
 was executed in our presence
 and declared by the said
 Daniel Artis to be his last will
 and testament and that the same
 was signed by us in his presence
 and the presence of each other.
 H. S. Hawtham
 Theo Edwors

State of North Carolina S. S. In the Superior Court
 Greene County
 A paper purporting to be the last will and
 testament of Daniel Artis deceased, is exhibited
 before me, the undersigned, Clerk of the Superior
 Court for said County, by Henry Artis one
 of the distributees therein, & I have read
 the execution thereof by the said Daniel Artis
 by the oath & affirmation of Theo Edwors & H. S.
 Hawtham, the subscribing witnesses thereto, who
 being duly sworn, doth depose and say and