

State of North Carolina,
Greene County
In Re Estate
of Joseph F. Moore, deceased
In Superior Court,
Before J. P. Hail Clerk.
Order for Probate of Will.

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of Joseph F. Moore, dead, is exhibited in open Court for probate by Nancy Jane Moore, Executrix therein named; and the due execution thereof by the said Joseph F. Moore, dead, is duly proven by the oath and examination of J. W. Bynum and R. B. Bynum subscribing witnesses thereto and it is further shown to the satisfaction of the Court by said witnesses that the said Joseph F. Moore was at the time of making said will of sound mind and memory, of full age to execute a will and under no restraint to their knowledge, information or belief.

It is thereupon considered, adjudged and decreed, that said proof is sufficient and according to law and that said paper writing is and contains the last will and Testament of Joseph F. Moore, dead. And on Motion it is ordered that said will be admitted to probate and recorded in the Book of Wills of Greene County and as such filed as provided by law in the office of the Clerk of Superior Court of said County.

It is further ordered that said Nancy Jane Moore be allowed to qualify as executrix as provided by law and enter upon the discharge of the duties imposed by said trust. Dated this 21st day of April 1899.

J. P. Hail
Clerk of Superior Court.

North Carolina?
Greene County? In the name of God, amen,
I James H. Cobb of the State and County above named being of sound mind and memory but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence do make and declare my last will and Testament in manner and form followings to Wit:

- First: My Executors hereafter named shall provide for my body a decent burial according to wishes of my relatives and friends and pay all funeral expenses together with all of my just debts out of the first money which shall come into their hands belonging to my estate.
- Second: I give and devise to my son James M. Cobb all of my entire interest in and to that certain tract of land in Greene County known as the Deborah Cobb land adjoining the land of G. B. Britt John H. Taylor and others, but in case the same James M. Cobb should die without leaving any living child or lawful issue of any child then and in that event I give and devise the said land to my nephew Edgar E. Cobb son of my brother E. H. Cobb and his heirs forever.
- Third: I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Mallie Cobb and my said son James M. Cobb all of my household and kitchen furniture, provisions and poultry of every description to be equally divided between them.
- Fourth: My will and desire is that all the residue of my estate if any, both real and personal after taking out the debts and legacies above mentioned be sold and converted into money by my executors, hereafter named including all my crops now growing on said lands, and the proceeds applied to the payment of my just debts, and in case there should be any excess in their hands after payment of all my debts and the costs and charges of administration my will and desire is that my executors shall pay the same to my said wife and my said son to be equally divided between them.
- Fifth: In the event that my personal estate should not be sufficient for payment of all my debts then and in that event it is my will and desire that all of my real estate above mentioned shall remain in the control

and under the management of my executors hereinafter named and the rents thereof applied to the payment of said debts until all of said debts shall be fully paid,

And whereas my said son James M. Cobb is a minor under the age of Twenty one years: now therefore my will and desire is that my brother Edgar G. Cobb be and he is hereby constituted and appointed Guardian of said James M. Cobb to have and to hold the custody of his estate until the said James M. Cobb shall arrive at the full age of Twenty one years.

It is of course my will and desire that my beloved wife Mollie Cobb shall have and enjoy the dower in my lands allowed her by law, and I desire that my executors shall see to it that said dower is duly allotted to her as provided by law.

I hereby constitute and appoint my brother Edgar G. Cobb and my truly friend J. M. Lynch my lawful executors 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. hereby revoking and declaring utterly void all other wills and Testaments by me heretofore made.

J. M. Cobb (Seal)

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the said James M. Cobb to be his last will and Testament, in the presence of us who in his presence and at his request do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto.

B. M. Edwards
L. V. Merrill,

North Carolina }
Greene County } In the Superior Court

A Paper writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of James M. Cobb deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned, Clerk of the Superior Court, for said by J. M. Lynch and E. G. Cobb the executors therein mentioned, and the due execution thereof by the said Jas. M. Cobb by the oath and examination of B. M. Edwards and L. V. Merrill the subscribing witnesses thereto: Who being duly sworn, both depose and say and each for himself depose and say that he is a

subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown him purporting to be the last will and Testament of Jas. M. Cobb, that said James M. Cobb in the presence of this deponent, subscribed his name at the end of said paper writing, now shown as aforesaid and which bears the date of the 5th day of August 1899.

And the deponent further saith, that said James M. Cobb the Testator aforesaid, at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid, declared the said paper writing so subscribed by him and exhibited, to be the 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 further saith that at the time when the said Testator subscribed his name to the said last will as aforesaid, and at the time of deponent's subscribing his name as an attesting witness thereto as aforesaid, the said Jas. M. Cobb 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 not

B. M. Edwards (Seal)
L. V. Merrill (Seal)

Personally subscribed
and sworn this 14th
day of October 1899
before me

J. John R. Dail
Clerk Superior Court

North Carolina }
Greene County } In the Superior Court
Before John R. Dail Clerk

For Re. Estate }
Jas. M. Cobb deceased } Order for probate of will
A Paper writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of Jas. M. Cobb, died, is exhibited in open court for probate by J. M. Lynch & E. G. Cobb Executors therein named: and the due execution thereof by the said Jas. M. Cobb is duly proven by the oath

and examination of B. H. Edwards and J. V. Murrell
 subscribing witnesses thereto and it is further shown
 to the ^{fact} Court by said witnesses that the said Jas. H. Cobb
 was at the time of making said Will of sound mind
 and memory, of full age to execute a will and under
 no restraint to their knowledge, information or belief
 It is thereupon considered, adjudged and decreed, that said
 proof is sufficient and according to law and the said
 paper writing is and contains the last will and testament
 of Jas. H. Cobb dec'd and on motion it is ordered
 that said will be admitted to probate and recorded
 in the Book of Wills of Greene County and as such probate
 as provided by law in the office of the Clerk of the
 Superior Court of said County. It is further ordered
 that said J. H. Lynch & C. B. Cobb be allowed to
 qualify as Executors provided by law and enter upon
 the discharge of their duties imposed by this trust
 dated this the 14th day of October 1888

John R. Dail ckt

North Carolina
 Greene County

I Sarah Eliza Grimsley, wife of John D. Grimsley
 of Greene County, North Carolina, do make and publish
 my last Will and Testament in manner and form
 following, that is to say:

I desire and direct that all my just debts
 be paid out of my estate as soon after my decease
 as may be practicable.

Item 1st I hereby give and devise unto my beloved
 husband John D. Grimsley and his heirs all of my
 lands, tenements, and hereditaments, including all of
 my Town Lots in the Town of Snow Hill, and all
 my other lands in Greene County, and all real estate
 whatsoever owned by me at the time of my decease
 wheresoever the same may be situate, upon, to and
 for ^{the} several uses ends, intents and purposes hereinafter
 expressed and declared of and concerning the same
 that is to say: in trust to pay and apply the rents issues
 & profits of the same for and towards the maintenance
 and education now and benefit of all and every of the child-
 ren that are or shall be the issue of our marriage
 in equal proportions share and share alike after deducting
 all proper and necessary charges and outgoings attending

the same, including a reasonable charge for the
 trouble and services incident to the performance
 of the trust herein declared and that if any of said
 children shall die without issue the survivors or
 survivors shall take the share which would have
 been such deceased child's if the same had lived;
 and in trust further more, and he is hereby given
 power and authority, that at any time before the coming
 of full age of the youngest living of our said children
 he the said trustee may sell any of the said land
 tenements & hereditaments on such terms and in such
 manner and way as to him may seem most advanta-
 geous to said children, and invest the proceeds of
 such sale or sales in land or other property as he may
 think for their best interest, and hold and manage the
 proceeds aforesaid or the property in which he has so
 invested the same in trust for the said children equally
 for their use and benefit and that of the lawful heirs
 of such of them as may have died leaving issue
 subject to the charges and outgoings as herebefore
 mentioned. And in trust furthermore, that at any time
 before the happening of said event, to wit, the coming
 of full age of such youngest child, the said trustee
 in his discretion may, ^{and} upon the happening of
 said event, he the said trustee shall convey by deed
 absolutely and in fee simple to such of said children
 as may be living and the lawful heirs of such of
 them as may be deceased the said lands and real estate
 and the property representing such thereof as may have
 been sold or invested as aforesaid he the trustee, in so
 conveying to them the same, having power and authority
 to give and convey the same in such proportions
 or shares as his own best judgment may dictate, I
 having and reposing full confidence in his fatherly affec-
 tion and wise discretion in making such dispositions
 but if within six months after the said youngest
 child shall attain full age the said conveyances
 shall not have been executed, or if the said trustee
 John D. Grimsley shall die without having executed
 the same then, in either event, it is my will
 and I do hereby direct that our said children and
 the issue aforesaid thereupon take, hold and enjoy
 absolutely and in fee simple the said lands and
 property (including that so substituted as aforesaid)