

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set  
my hand and affixed my seal. This the 15<sup>th</sup>  
day of January A.D 1883

Mobius, Edward Wiggins (seal)  
S. E. Perry  
J. C. Hay

Power of  
Executor.

State of North Carolina } On the Probate Court  
Lenoir County }  
I Alexander Wiggins do solemnly swear that  
that I believe this writing to bear contain  
the last Will and Testament of Edward  
Wiggins deceased; and that I will well and truly  
execute the same by first paying her debts and  
then her legacies, as far as the said estate shall  
extend, or the law will charge me and that  
I will well & faithfully execute the office of  
an executor agreeable to the trust and confidence  
reposed in me, and according to law, so help  
me God.

I sworne and subscribed before me, this 8<sup>th</sup>  
day of April 1883.

W. W. Dunn,  
Probate Judge

Alexander Wiggins  
mark

Letter  
Testamentary.

State of North Carolina } On the Probate Court  
Lenoir County }  
I call upon these presents shall come greeting:  
It being satisfactorily proven to the undersigned,  
Judge of Probate for Lenoir County, that  
Edward Wiggins  
late of said County, is dead, having made his  
last Will and Testament, which has been admitted  
to Probate. (a true copy whereof is hereto  
annexed,) and Alexander Wiggins, the Executor  
named therein, having qualified as such according  
to law.

Now there are therefore to empower the said Executor  
or to enter in and upon all and singular  
the goods and chattels, rights and credits  
of the said deceased, and the same to take into  
possession, wheresoever to be found, and all

the just debts of the said deceased to pay and satisfy,  
and the residue of said estate to distribute accord-  
ing to the directions of said Will

Witness my hand and seal before said Court the  
3<sup>rd</sup> day of April 1883

W. W. Dunn  
Probate Judge.

Recorded in the Office of the Superior Court Clerk  
of Lenoir County July 25<sup>th</sup> 1883

W. W. Dunn C. S. C.

E. B. Kennedy.

Application, by  
J. L. Kennedy,  
for  
Letters Testamentary.

In the matter of the will } Before W. W. Dunn,  
of E. B. Kennedy. } Judge of Probate

J. L. Kennedy, being duly sworn, doth say:  
That E. B. Kennedy, late of said County is dead,  
having first made and published his last will and tes-  
tament; and that J. L. Kennedy is the executor named there-  
in.

Further, that the property of the said E. B. Kennedy, con-  
sisting of real and personal estate is worth about \$5000,  
so far as can be ascertained at the date of this application,  
and that Jesse L. Kennedy is the party entitled under  
said will to the said property.

Sworn to and subscribed,  
before me this day of  
October, 1883.

W. W. Dunn,  
Probate Judge.

J. L. Kennedy.

Examination  
of  
Witnesses.

State of North Carolina, } In the Probate Court.  
Lenoir County.

A paper purporting to be the last will and testament of E. B.  
Kennedy, deceased, is exhibited before me, he undersigned, Judge  
of Probate for said County, by Jesse L. Kennedy, the executor  
named therein, and the due execution thereof by the said  
E. B. Kennedy by the oath and examination of B. L. Taylor  
and F. D. Taylor, the subscribing witnesses thereto: who, being  
duly sworn, doth depose and say, and each for himself  
deposes and saith that he is a subscribing witness to the  
paper writing now shown him, purporting to be the

last will and testament of E. B. Kennedy; that the said E. B. Kennedy, in the presence of his defendant, subscribed his name at the end of said paper writing, which is now shown as aforesaid, and which bears date of the 11th day of July, 1883.

And the defendant further saith, that the said E. B. Kennedy, 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 defendant, 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 defendant further saith, that at the said time of defendant's subscribing his name as an attesting witness thereto, as aforesaid, the said E. B. Kennedy was of sound mind and memory, of full age to execute a will, and was not, any restraint to his knowledge, information or belief of this defendant.

And further these defendants say not.

B. L. Taylor (Seal)  
J. B. Loftin (Seal)

Severally sworn and subscribed  
this 11th day of October, 1883, be-  
fore me.

M. H. Dunn,  
Probate Judge.

Hill.

I, E. B. Kennedy, of the State of North Carolina, and County of Lenoir, 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 and form following.

That is to say,

First. That my executor hereinafter to be named, shall provide for my body a decent burial according to the wishes of my relatives and friends and pay all funeral expenses together with my just debts however and to whomsoever owing out of the first money that may first come into his hands as a part or part of my estate.

Item. I give, devise and bequeath to my beloved brother Jesse L. Kennedy all the rest and residue of my estate real, personal and mixed to have and

to hold to him and his heirs in fee simple forever.

And I do hereby constitute and appoint my said brother Jesse L. Kennedy my lawful executor 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 heretofore made by me.

And, lastly, I desire and know it will be the pleasure of my said brother Jesse L. Kennedy, executor above named to cause to be erected over my grave a suitable tombstone within a reasonable time after my death.

In witness whereof I, the said E. B. Kennedy, do hereby set my hand and affix my seal this 11th day of July, one thousand, eight hundred and eighty-three.

E. B. Kennedy (Seal)

Signed, sealed, published and declared by said E. B. Kennedy to be his last will and testament in the presence of us, who, at his request, and in his presence, and in the presence of each other subscribe our names as witnesses thereto.

July 11th, 1883.

B. L. Taylor  
J. B. Loftin.

Probate.

State of North Carolina, } Superior Court,  
Lenoir County. } October 30, 1883.

The foregoing paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of E. B. Kennedy, deceased, is exhibited for Probate before the undersigned by Jesse L. Kennedy, the Executor herein named, and the execution thereof by the said E. B. Kennedy is proved by the oath and examination of B. L. Taylor and J. B. Loftin, the subscribing witnesses thereto. It is therefore ordered and adjudged by the Court, that the said paper writing and every part thereof is the last will and testament of the said E. B. Kennedy, deceased, and the same is ordered to be recorded and filed. Jesse L. Kennedy, the executor aforesaid duly qualifies as such by taking the oaths required by law.

Letters with copy of said last Will and Testament

issued.

J. H. Dunn,  
Superior Court Clerk.

Death of  
Executor.

State of North Carolina, } In the Probate Court.  
Lenoir County.

I, Jessie L. Kennedy, do solemnly swear that I believe this writing to be and contain the last will and testament of E. B. Kennedy, deceased, and that I will well and truly execute the same by first paying his debts and then his legacies, as far as the said estate shall extend or the law charge me; and that I will well and faithfully execute the office of an executor agreeable to the trust and confidence reposed in me, and according to law: so help me God.

J. L. Kennedy

Sworn and subscribed  
before me this 30th day }  
of October, 1883.

J. H. Dunn,  
Probate Judge.

Letter  
Testamentary.

State of North Carolina, } In the Probate Court.  
Lenoir County.

To all whom these presents shall come: Greeting: It being satisfactorily proven to the undersigned, Judge of Probate for Lenoir County, that E. B. Kennedy, late of said County, is dead, having made his last will and testament, which has been admitted to probate (a true copy of which is hereto annexed) and Jessie L. Kennedy, the executor named therein, having qualified as such according to law:

Now these are therefore to empower the said Executor to enter in and upon all and singular the goods and chattels, rights and credits of the said deceased, and to cause to take into possession, wheresoever to be found, and all the just debts of the said deceased to pay and to satisfy, and the residue of said estate to distribute according to the directions of said Will.

Witness my hand and the seal of said Court this the 30th day of Oct. 1883.

J. H. Dunn, Probate Judge

Recorded in the office of the Superior Court Clerk of Lenoir County, November 2, 1883.

W. W. Dunn, C.S.C.

John Sutton Hardy

Application by  
D. W. Patrick  
for  
Letters Testamentary

Lenoir County: In the Probate Court.

In the matter of the will of John Sutton Hardy, Before W. H. Dunn, Judge of Probate.

D. W. Patrick, being duly sworn, doth say:

That J. S. Hardy, late of said County, is dead, having first made and published his last will and testament; and that A. W. Patrick is the executor named therein.

Further, that the property of the said J. S. Hardy, consisting of personal property and real estate is worth about \$750, so far as can be ascertained at the date of this application; and that B. H. Hardy, L. C. Hardy, T. J. Phillips, Emma Patrick, and J. C. Hardy are the parties entitled under said will to the said property.

A. W. Patrick

Sworn to and subscribed  
before me, this 24th day }  
of October, 1883.

J. H. Dunn,  
Probate Judge.

State of North Carolina, } In the Probate Court.  
Lenoir County.

A paper purporting to be the last will and testament of John Sutton Hardy, deceased, is exhibited before me the undersigned, Judge of Probate for said County by Daniel W. Patrick, the Executor thereto named, and the execution thereof by the said John Sutton Hardy by the oath and examination of John Sylvester and M. P. Compton, the subscribing witnesses thereto: who, being duly sworn, doth depose and say, and each for himself deposes and saith that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown him, purporting to be the last will and testament of John Sutton Hardy; that the said John Sutton Hardy in the presence of this deponent, subscribed his name at the