

Edwin Taylor.

Senio County— In the Probate Court.
In the matter of the will of } Before Mr. W. H. Hunter,
Edwin Taylor. } Judge of Probate.

Edwin Taylor, Jr., being sworn, doth say:

That Edwin Taylor, late of said County, is dead having first made and published his last will and testament; and that Edwin Taylor, Junr. is the executor named therein. Further, that the property of the said Edwin Taylor, consisting of money, land, and some household furniture, is worth about \$1200.00 so far as can be ascertained at the date of this application; and that Catharine Whaley, John Taylor's lawful children, Edwin Taylor, Junr., James Taylor & Sophrona Smith are the parties entitled under said will to the said property.

Sworn to and subscribed before me
this 25th day of Sept., 1876.

W. H. Hunter,
Probate Judge.

Edwin Taylor, Jr.

State of North Carolina.

Senio County. } ss. In the Probate Court.
A paper purporting to be the last will and testament of Edwin Taylor, deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned, Judge of Probate for said county, by Edwin Taylor, Junr., the executor therein named, and the due execution thereof by the said Edwin Taylor is proved by the oath and examination of James Davis and Mr. Elmore, the subscribing witnesses thereto: who being duly sworn, doth depose and say, and each for himself depose and oath, that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown him, purporting to be the last will and testament of Edwin Taylor, that the said Edwin Taylor, in the presence of this deponent subscribed his name at the end of said paper writing, which is now shown him as aforesaid, and which bears date of the 5th day of Sept., 1874.

And the deponent further saith, That the said Edwin Taylor, the testator aforesaid, did at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid, declare the said paper writing as 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 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, as aforesaid, the said Edwin Taylor 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.

James Davis, (Seal)
Mr. Elmore, (Seal)

Severally sworn and subscribed
this 25th day of Sept., 1876, before me
W. H. Hunter,
Probate Judge.

Senio County— Probate Court. Sept. 25, 1876.

On reading and considering the application of Edwin Taylor, Junr., to admit a paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Edwin Taylor, Sr., dec'd., to probate, and to be qualified as Executor thereof, according to the appointment thereby made, and having examined on oath James Davis and Mr. Elmore, the two subscribing witnesses thereto, as to the execution thereof:

It is adjudged that the said paper writing and every part thereof, is the last will and testament of the said Edwin Taylor, Sr., deceased, and the same, as such, is ordered to be recorded and filed; and, thereupon, the said Edwin Taylor, Junr., the Executor as aforesaid, and takes and subscribes the following oath:

State of North Carolina.

Senio County. } ss. In the Probate Court.

I, Edwin Taylor, Jr., do solemnly swear that I believe this writing to be and contain the last will and testament of Edwin Taylor, Sr., 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 will charge one; 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, as help me God.

Sworn and subscribed before me,
this 25th day of September, 1876.
W. H. Hunter,
Probate Judge.

Edwin Taylor, Jr.