

Huldah I. Kennedy } North Carolina } In the Probate Court
 Senoir County } Dec 1881

Applications
 to prove will

In the matter of the
 Last Will and Testament
 of Huldah I. Kennedy dec'd } Applications
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Oscar H. Kennedy being duly sworn deposes and says, That Huldah I. Kennedy late of said County is dead, having made and published her last Will and Testament the 27th day of Oct 1881 and that she thereby appointed this deponent her Executor, and that deponent desires to qualify as Executor of said last Will and Testament.

That the Value of the personal estate so far as can be ascertained is about Four Hundred Dollars. That the legacies named in said Will are Oscar H. Kennedy and Brist Kennedy

Wherefore deponent asks that said Will be admitted to probate according to Law and that he be permitted to qualify as Executor Sworn and Subscribed
 before me Feb 6th 1882

W. W. Hunter, C. J. C.

O. H. Kennedy

Examination
 of Witnesses

North Carolina } Probate Court
 Senoir County } Dec 1881

In the matter of the
 Last Will and Testament
 of Huldah I. Kennedy dec'd } Oaths of
 Witnesses

A paper writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Huldah I. Kennedy dec'd is exhibited before me the undersigned Judge of Probate for said County, by Oscar H. Kennedy the Executor therein named and the due execution thereof by the said Huldah I. Kennedy is proved by the oath and examination of J. B. Lofton and E. L. Sutton the subscribing witnesses thereto, who being duly sworn doth depose and say and each for himself deposes and says, that

he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown him purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Huldah I. Kennedy dec'd, that the said Huldah I. Kennedy in the presence of this deponent subscribed her name at the end of said paper writing which is now shown as aforesaid and which bears date of Oct 27th 1881

And these deponents further sayeth that said Huldah I. Kennedy the testatrix aforesaid did at the time aforesaid declare the said paper writing so subscribed by her and exhibited to be her last Will and Testament and these deponents did thereupon subscribe their names at the end of said Will as an attesting witness thereto and at the request and in the presence of said Testatrix

And these deponents sayeth that at the time when the said Testatrix subscribed her name to said last Will and Testament as aforesaid and at the time of the deponents subscribing his name as an attesting witness thereto as aforesaid, the said Huldah I. Kennedy 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 these deponents, and further these deponents sayeth over

Solemnly sworn and subscribed
 to before me this 13th day Jan'y 1882

W. W. Hunter.

Probate Judge

J. B. Lofton.
 E. L. Sutton.

Will

I, Huldah I. Kennedy of the State of North Carolina and County of Senoir, being of sound mind and memory, but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence, do make and declare this my last Will and Testament, that is to say:

First, That my executor (herein after 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 howsoever and to whomsoever owing out of the moneys that may first come into his hands as a part or parcel of my estate. Item, I give and devise to my beloved son Oscar H. Kennedy a one half interest in the following tract or lot of land adjoining the lands of Benjamin

J Parrott, J. O. Sutton, and others. Beginning at two ash trees on or near the run of Gum Swamp and runs S 24 E 137 1/2 poles to a stake, thence S 81 W. 13 1/2 poles to a pine, thence N 87 1/2 W. 19 1/2 poles to a pine, thence N 87 1/2 W. 16 1/2 poles to a stake thence S 86 W 48 poles to a stake, thence N. 76 W. 60 1/2 poles to Jones ditch, thence down the same S. 8 W. E. 29 1/2 poles to the run of Gum Swamp, thence running up the run of the said Gum Swamp to the beginning, containing 100 acres, more or less. Known as lot No. 8. in the divisions of the lands Wm Sutton, to have and to hold to him and his heirs in fee simple forever.

Item. I give and bequeath to my beloved son Oscar H. Kennedy, my horse and buggy, household and kitchen furniture, together with all the rest and residue of my personal property of every description to him and his assigns forever.

Item— I give and bequeath to my beloved son Bright Kennedy a one half interest in the above described tract of land for and during the term of his natural life and at his death the same shall go and descend to each of the heirs of his body as he shall leave him surviving, and should the said Bright Kennedy leave no children then it is my will and desire that the above lands devised to him shall go and descend to my beloved son Oscar H. Kennedy, to him and his heirs in fee simple forever, and.

Lastly, I do hereby constitute my beloved son Oscar H. 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 of the same hereby revoking and declaring utterly void all other wills by me heretofore made.

In witness whereof I the said Huldah I Kennedy do hereunto set my hand and seal
This 27th day of Oct 1881

Signed sealed published and declared
by said Huldah I Kennedy to be her last
Will and Testament in the presence of us who
at her request and in her presence do subscribe
our names as witnesses,
J. B. Loftis.
E. L. Sutton.

Probate of
will

State of North Carolina } Probate Court
Lenoir County } Feb. 6. 1882

The foregoing paper writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Huldah I Kennedy is exhibited before the undersigned for probate by Oscar H. Kennedy, the Executor therein named and the due execution thereof by the said Huldah I Kennedy is proved by the oath and examination of J. B. Loftis, and E. L. Sutton, 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 Huldah I Kennedy, and the same is ordered to be recorded and filed, Oscar H. Kennedy, the Executor aforesaid duly qualifies as such by taking the oath required by Law, Letters Testamentary, with copy of said last will and testament issued.

M. W. Hunter.

Probate Judge.

Date of
Executors

North Carolina } Probate Court
Lenoir County } Jan 1882

In the matter of the last
Will and Testament of Huldah
I Kennedy decd } Date of the
Executor

I Oscar H. Kennedy do solemnly swear this paper writing to be and contain the last Will and Testament of Huldah I Kennedy decd, and that I will well and truly execute the same by first paying her debts and then her legacies as far as the said said will permits, and that I will well and truly execute the Office of Executor agreeable to the trust reposed in me according to Law so help me God

Sworn and Subscribed before
Me this 6th day of Feb 1882

M. W. Hunter

Probate Judge

O. H. Kennedy

Letters
Testamentary

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

To all whom these presents shall come
Greeting. It being satisfactorily proven to the

underground, Judge of Probate for Lenoir County, that Shudak Kennedy late of said County, is dead, having made his last Will and Testament, which has been admitted to Probate (a true which is hereto annexed) and Oscar W. Kennedy the Executor named therein, having qualified as such according to law:

Now, there 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 the same to take into possession whenever to be found, and all the just debts of the said deceased to pay and satisfy, and the residue of said estate to distribute according to the directions of said Will.

Witness my hand the seal of said Court this 26th day of Feb. 1883

M. W. Hunter
Probate Judge

Recorded in office of the Superior Court
Clerk of Lenoir County July 21st 1883
W. W. Dunn
C. S. C.

Wiley Rouse
Application to
prove Will

Lenoir County... In the Probate Court.
In the matter of the Will of Wiley Rouse dec'd
Judge of Probate
James Herring being duly sworn, doth say:
That Wiley Rouse, late of said County, is dead, having first made and published his last will and Testament; and that James Herring is the executor named therein.
Further, that the property of the said Wiley Rouse dec'd consisting of personal property is worth about \$500, so far as can be ascertained at the date of this application; and that Elizabeth Rouse is the party entitled under said will to the said property.
Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 7th day of May, 1883
W. W. Dunn } James Herring
Probate Judge

Renunciation
of
James Herring
as Executor

Kinston N. C. May 7th 1883
To the Probate Judge of Lenoir County,
Sir I here by renounce all right and title to qualify as Executor of the last Will and Testament of Wiley Rouse dec'd
James Herring

Examination
of Witnesses
to Will

State of North Carolina } In the Probate Court
Lenoir County
A paper purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Wiley Rouse deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned, Judge of Probate for said County by James Herring, the executor therein mentioned, and the executor thereof by the said Wiley Rouse by the oath and examination of N. B. Whitfield and John H. Smith the subscribing witnesses thereto: who being duly sworn, doth depose and say, and each for himself depose and saith, that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown him purporting to be the last will and Testament of Wiley Rouse that the said Wiley Rouse 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 5th day of January 1883. And the Deponent says