

and testament of said deceased probated, and having examined on oath John L. Mooten, and John H. Noonce, the two subscribing witnesses thereto as to the execution thereof, it is adjudged by the Court,

That the said paper writing is the last will and testament of the said John Hawkins, and the same is ordered to be recorded and filed, and thereupon the said J. L. Kennedy, comes forward and enters into bond in the sum of _____ Dollars, with John L. Mooten as surety, and takes and subscribes the following oaths:

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

I, J. L. Kennedy, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I believe this writing to be and contain the last will and testament of John Hawkins, 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 me; and that I will well and faithfully execute the office of administrator with the will annexed, agreeable to the trust and confidence reposed in the Executor therein named, and according to law, so help me God.

Sworn and subscribed before
me, this 28th day of April,
1873.

J. L. Kennedy.

W. H. Hunter,
Probate Judge.

Whereupon, Letters of Administration with the will annexed are issued to the said J. L. Kennedy.

W. H. Hunter,
Probate Judge.

Recorded in the office of the Probate Judge, and Clerk of the Superior Court in Lenoir County, North Carolina, the 24th day of April, 1873.

W. H. Hunter,
Judge & Clerk.

Nancy Elott.

Lenoir County, — In the Probate Court.
In the matter of the will } Before W. H. Hunter,
of Nancy Elott } Judge of Probate.

John H. Aldridge & Thos. M. Aldridge being sworn, do say: That Nancy Elott, late of said county, is dead, having first made and published her last will and testament; and that John H. Aldridge is the executor named therein.

Further, that the property of the said Nancy Elott consisting of one mare, 2 oxen, house hold and kitchen furniture, & interest in grazing crop on her dower is worth about \$2000 as far as can be ascertained at the date of this application; and that R. M. Aldridge heirs, viz: Eliza, Betsy, Thos. Mary S. Nancy, Rachel, John and Richard — the three latter of whom are minors without guardian, Martha Higgins, Francis S. Aldridge, & Nancy S. Bassett, who live in Lenoir Co., N.C., Smiley, Mooming & Jno. Mooming, who are minors without guardian, supposed to reside in Pamlico County, Thomas Herring, Alexander Herring, Joseph Herring, & James Herring, all of whom are 21 years old except Joseph Herring who is without guardian, and all live in Lenoir County, are the parties entitled under said will to the said property.

Sworn to and subscribed
before me, this 1st day of
August, 1873.
W. H. Hunter,
Probate Judge.

John H. Aldridge,
S. M. Aldridge.

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

A paper purporting to be the last will and testament of Nancy Elott, deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned Judge of Probate for said county, by John H. Aldridge, the executor therein named, and the due execution thereof by the said Nancy Elott, by the oath and examination of John H. Aldridge and Thomas M. Aldridge, the subscribing witnesses thereto, who being duly sworn, doth 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 Nancy Elott, that the said Nancy Elott 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 the 28th day of June, 1870.

And the deponent further swears, that the said Nancy Elott the testatrix aforesaid, did at the time of subscribing her name