

Examination
of
Witness

North Carolina } in the Superior Court
Crawford County }

A paper writing, purporting to be the last will and Testament of Mary Ann Bridger deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned Clerk of the Superior Court in and for said County, by Jacob Bridger, by his Atty. N. C. Whitcomb, the executor therein named, and the due execution thereof by the said Mary Ann Bridger proved by the oath and examination of Nellie J. Deast and Nellie J. Taylor one of the subscribing witnesses thereto: who being duly sworn, doth depose and say, that she is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown her purporting to be the last will and Testament of Mary Ann Bridger. That the said Mary Ann Bridger, 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 on the 12th day of April 1874, (or did in the presence of this deponent acknowledge the signing the said paper writing.

And the deponent further saith, that the said Mary Ann Bridger, the testatrix aforesaid, did at the time of subscribing her name as aforesaid, declare the said paper writing so subscribed by her and exhibited to be her last will and testament, and this deponent did thereupon subscribe her 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 her name to the said last will as aforesaid, and at the time of the deponent's subscribing her name as an attesting witness thereto, as aforesaid, the said Mary Ann Bridger 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 this deponent says not.

Sincerely sworn and
subscribed, this 22nd day of
June 1889, before me,
(P.S.) Est. Carpenter R.C.C.
Crawford Co. N.C.

Nellie J. Deast
Nellie J. Taylor

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State of North Carolina }
Crawford County } ss. in the Superior Court

A paper purporting to be the last will and testament of Mary Ann Bridger deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned, Clerk of the Superior Court for said County, by James S. Bridger the executor therein named, and the due execution thereof by the said Mary Ann Bridger by the oath and examination of Lydia V. Archball nee Lydia V. Whitcomb one of the subscribing witnesses thereto: who, being duly sworn, doth depose and say, that she is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown her, purporting to be the last will and testament of Mary Ann Bridger; that the said Mary Ann Bridger, 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 12th day of April 1874.

And this deponent further saith, that the said Mary Ann Bridger the testator aforesaid, did, at the time of subscribing her name as aforesaid, declare the said paper writing so subscribed by her and exhibited, to be her last will and testament, and this deponent did thereupon subscribe her 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 her name to the said last will as aforesaid, and at the time of deponent's subscribing her name as an attesting witness thereto, as aforesaid, the said Mary Ann Bridger 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.

L. V. Archball Seal

Done and subscribed
this 25th day of June 1889,
before me.

Est. Pizzell
Clerk Superior Court

The
Will

In the name of God Amen.

I, Mary Ann Pridgen wife of James A. Pridgen being in good health, and of sound and disposing mind, and memory, and being desirous to settle my worldly affairs, while I have strength and capacity, do make, and publish this my last will and testament.

I hereby constitute and appoint my husband James A. Pridgen executor of this my last will and testament. After payment of my just debts, and charges, I dispose of my estate as follows: I give and devise all my lands and tenements, including the house and lot situated in Winston Superior County North Carolina on the corner of Queen and Gordon Streets and occupied now by myself and husband as a residence, unto my said husband James A. Pridgen and his heirs forever.

The testimony whereof I the said Mary Ann Pridgen, wife of James A. Pridgen have hereunto set my hand and seal, this the 12th day of April 1874.

Mary Ann Pridgen

Signed sealed published and declared by the said Mary Ann Pridgen wife of James A. Pridgen as her last will and testament in the presence of us, who in her presence and at her request have hereunto set our names as witnesses.

Lydia W. Whitcomb
Attie J. Taylor

Probate

State of North Carolina } in Superior Court
Superior County }

In the matter of the last will of Mary Ann Pridgen

It appearing to the Court by the oath and examination of Attie J. Taylor and Lydia W. Whitcomb the subscribing witnesses thereto, that the paper writing for proved to be the Executor therein named, is the last will and

testament of Mary Ann Pridgen and that the same was duly executed by said Mary Ann Pridgen in the presence of said witnesses and that at the time of signing the same the said Mary Ann Pridgen was of sound mind.

It is therefore adjudged that the said paper writing be admitted to probate as the last will and testament of the said Mary Ann Pridgen and the Executor therein named qualify as such.

It is ordered that the said Will, with the foregoing proceedings thereof, be recorded and filed and that Letters Testamentary issue.

This the 25th day of June 1889.

E. H. Bizzell
Clerk Superior Court

Recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Superior County State of North Carolina this 28th day of June 1889

E. H. Bizzell
Clerk