

Fannie Davis.
Will.

In the name of God, Amen! I, Fannie Davis of Lenoir Co., N.C., being of sound mind and memory, do make this my last will and testament as follows:

1. I give, devise and bequeath all of my estate and property of every kind, to E. Davis, Phebe Davis, Phillis Davis (my children) and Chelly, Lula, Fannie and Leabell & soonest my grand children and Lucia Edmundson, child of my daughter Sidney. To have and to hold to them forever, to share and share alike to be divided equally among them.

2. I appoint my friend M. A. Gray my executor to execute this my last will and testament.

In testimony whereof I hereto set my hand and seal this Dec. 21st, 1883.

Signed by Fannie Davis
as her last will and testa-
ment in the presence of us
who at her request and in
her presence have sub-
scribed our names as
witnesses hereto.

This Dec. 21, 1883.

Thomas B. Holloway
Samuel Edmundson
Henry Hicks.

State of North Carolina, } Superior Court,
Lenoir County. } Dec. 20, 1883.

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Fannie Davis, dec'd, is exhibited before me, the undersigned, clerk of the Superior Court of said County, by M. A. Gray, the executor named therein, and the due execution thereof by the said Fannie Davis is proved by the oath and examination of Thomas B. Holloway, Samuel Edmundson and Henry Hicks, the subscribing witnesses thereto. It is therefore considered and adjudged that the said paper writing, and every part thereof, is the last will and testament of the said Fannie Davis and the same is ordered to be recorded and filed. And therefore the said M. A. Gray, Executor, as aforesaid, comes forwards and qualifies as such according to Law.

W. H. Hume, C.S.C.

Recorded in the office of the Superior Court Clerk of Lenoir County the 3rd day of January, 1884.

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Richard J. Williams

Application

of

D. H. Patrick, Esq.,

for

Letters Testamentary

Lenoir County: In the Superior Court,

In the matter of the will } Before W. H. Hume, C.S.C.
of Richard J. Williams. }

E. D. Little being duly sworn, doth say
That Richard J. Williams, late of Greene County, is dead, having first made and published his last will and Testament, and that D. H. Patrick is the executor named therein.

Further, that the property of the said Richard J. Williams, consisting of personal property and real estate, is worth about \$1000.00 so far as can be ascertained at the date of this application; and that Bettie Williams, Martha Taylor, Martha Taylor, Leonelia Jones and Dorcas Jones are the parties entitled under said will to the said property.

Sworn to and subscribed
before me this 7th day of
April, 1884.

W. H. Hume,
C.S.C.

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

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Richard J. Williams, deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned, clerk of the Superior Court for said County, by D. H. Patrick, the executor therein mentioned, and the due execution thereof by the said Richard J. Williams is proved by the oath and examination of T. B. Holloway and E. D. Little the subscribing witnesses thereto, who being duly sworn, doth depose and say, and each for himself depose and say that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown being purporting to be the last will and testament of Richard Williams; that the said Richard Williams, 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 14th day of March, 1884.

And the deponent further saith that the said Richard J. Williams, 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 deponent's subscribing his name as an attesting witness thereto, as aforesaid, the said Richard J. Williams was of sound mind and memory, of full age to execute a will, and was not under any constraint to the knowledge, information or belief of the deponent; And further these deponents say not.

M. C. Galloway, Pres.
G. D. Little, Secy.

Severally sworn to and
subscribed this 9th day
of April, 1884, before
me.

M. H. Dunn,
C. C. C.

Will.

In the name of God. Amen; I, Richard J. Williams of the County of Greene and State of North Carolina 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 as follows, to-wit:

That is to say my executor, hereinafter named shall provide for my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my family and friends and pay all funeral expenses together with all of my just debts whosoever owing out of the monies that may first come into his hands as a part or parcel of my estate, and the residue of my estate I give and bequeath and dispose of as follows:

Item 1. I give and bequeath to Cordelia Jones, daughter of Fannie Ann Jones, dec'd, one half of the lands I bought of Benjamin Williams adjoining the lands of Kinchen Cobb, William Dyson and others, and known as the Cupola and Galloway lands containing eight hundred acres more or less, also five hundred dollars in money to her and her heirs absolutely forever.

Item 2nd. I give and bequeath to Marcha L. Taylor daughter of Marcha Taylor, one half of the lands I bought of Benjamin Williams adjoining the lands of Kinchen Cobb, William Dyson and others and known as the Cupola and Galloway lands containing eight hundred acres more or less, also seven hundred dollars in money to her and her heirs absolutely forever.

Item 3rd. I loan to Marcha Taylor, during her natural life the following piece or parcel of land: - Beginning in the centre of the branch that divides my lands from the lands of Mrs. Richard Warren, near the house that Mainard Pridgen now lives in and runs down said branch to a large ditch, then up a small ditch between the new ~~stand~~ land and the Ponge cotton patch to the path, then down said path to the beginning containing about eight acres more or less, and after the death of said Marcha Taylor I devise that said tract of land as devised as loaned to her shall go to my daughter Bettie Williams during her natural life and after the death of the said Bettie Williams to her children, and if she should die without leaving any living children then to my brothers and sisters.

Item 4th. I loan to Dora Jones, during her natural life six acres of land lying on both sides of the public road around the house she now lives in, and after her death to my daughter Bettie Williams during her natural life and after her death to the children of said Bettie Williams if she should leave any living children and if no living children then to my brothers and sisters.

Item 5th. I loan ^{of my property} all the balance of every description to my daughter Bettie Williams during her natural life and after her death to her children, and if she should die without leaving any living children then I devise that the property, as loaned to her, be equally

which is now shown as aforesaid, and which bears date of the 14th day of March, 1884.

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M. C. Galloway, Pres.
G. D. Little, Secy.

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me.

M. H. Dunn,
C. C. C.

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divided between my brothers and sisters.

And, lastly, I do hereby constitute and appoint my friend Daniel M. Patrick my lawful executor to execute this my last will and testament hereby revoking all other wills and testaments by me heretofore made.

In witness whereof Richard J. Williams have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal this the 14th day of March, 1884.

R. J. Williams (Seal)

Witness:

H. C. Galloway
E. D. Little

State of South Carolina, } Superior Court,
Lenoir County. } April 7th, 1884.

A paper purporting to be the last will and testament of Richard J. Williams, is exhibited before me, the undersigned, Clerk of the Superior Court of said County, by Daniel M. Patrick, the executor therein named, and the due execution thereof by the said Richard J. Williams is proved by the oath and examination of H. C. Galloway and E. D. Little the subscribing witnesses thereto. It is, therefore, considered and adjudged by the Court, that the said paper writing and every part and clause thereof is the last will and testament of the said Richard J. Williams, and the same, as such, is ordered to be recorded and filed. And, thereupon, the said Daniel M. Patrick, Executor, as aforesaid, comes forward and qualifies as such as is required by law.

H. H. Dunn,
C. C. C.

Recorded in the office of the Superior Court Clerk of Lenoir County, the 14th day of April, 1884.

H. H. Dunn, C. C. C.
H. H. Hunter, D. C.

William Sutton
Application of
B. Frank Sutton
Ex'r for
Letters Testamentary

Lenoir County. In the Superior Court.

In the matter of the will of William Sutton } Before W. W. Dunn cfc

B. Frank Sutton being duly sworn, doth say: That William Sutton, late of said County, is dead, having first made and published his last will and Testament, and that B. Frank Sutton is the executor named therein.

Further, that the property of the said William Sutton dec'd consisting of personal property and is worth about \$8,400. so far as can be ascertained, at the date of this application; and that Hugh A. Sutton, Edward L. Sutton, Levi M. Sutton, Willie Loftin, Willie F. Sutton, Little R. Sutton, B. F. Sutton, Muldahl S. Kennedy are the parties entitled under said will to the said property.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 21st day of June 1884 } B. Frank Sutton
W. W. Dunn cfc

Examination
of Witnesses

State of South Carolina, } In the Superior
Lenoir County } Court.

A paper purporting to be the last Will and Testament of William Sutton dec'd, is exhibited before me, the undersigned, Clerk of the Superior Court for said County, by B. F. Sutton the executor therein mentioned, and the due execution thereof by the said William Sutton by the oath and examination of William Arthur and Emmett Sutton 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 William Sutton dec'd: that the said William Sutton, in the presence of this deponent, subscribed his name