

State of North Carolina
Cass County,

In the Probate Court.

A paper purporting to be the last will and testament of Sarah L. Hicks deceased is exhibited before me, the undersigned Judge of Probate for said County, by D. S. Hicks the executor therein mentioned and the due execution thereof by the said Sarah L. Hicks at the oath and examination of W. H. Harper & W. H. Robbins the subscribing witnesses thereto, who, being duly sworn, each depose and say and each for himself deposes and saith, that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown him purporting to be the last will and testament of Sarah L. Hicks that the said Sarah L. Hicks in the presence of this deponent subscribed his name at the end of said paper writing which now shown as aforesaid and which bears date of the 5th day of April 1884, and the deponent further saith, that the said Sarah L. Hicks the testator aforesaid did at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid declare the said paper writing as subscribed by him and substitute to be his last 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 Sarah L. Hicks was of sound mind and memory, of full age to execute a will and was not under any restraint to the knowledge or belief of this deponent, and further that the deponent's say not.

W. H. Harper (Seal)
W. H. Robbins

Solemnly sworn and subscribed
this 5th day of Nov 1884 before me,
Jas. P. Morgan

Probate Judge.

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In the name of God Amen, I, William H. Harper of the County of Cass and State of North Carolina, being of sound mind and memory but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence, do make, declare and publish this my last paper writing to be my last will and testament in manner and form as follows, I give and bequeath to my grand daughter Elsie Taylor one and two hundred and one hundred and one and one half quick it being the one I now use,

Item 2nd

I leave to my daughter Sarah Hicks all my other personal property, of every kind whatever for the term of her natural life.

Item 3rd

At the death of my daughter Sarah Hicks I give and bequeath to my grand daughter Elsie Taylor and Geo. Harper all the property herein named to my daughter Sarah Hicks to be equally divided between them.

Item 4th

I hereby nominate constitute and appoint my grand son Henry H. Harper and my friend, Wm. P. Griffin my executors to this my last will and testament to execute the same and every part thereof. I witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the 9th day of May 1884.

Witness
Deponent, Cass.
J. G. Sills

William H. Harper (Seal)

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A paper purporting to be the last will and testament of W. H. Harper, deceased is exhibited before me, the undersigned Judge of Probate for said County, by W. P. Griffin the executor therein mentioned and the due execution thereof by the said W. H. Harper at the oath and examination of Jeff. G. Sills and J. G. Sills the subscribing witnesses thereto who, being duly sworn each depose and say, and each for himself deposes and saith, that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown him purporting to be the last will & testament of W. H. Harper that the said W. H. Harper in the presence of this deponent subscribed his name at the end of said paper writing which now shown as aforesaid, and which bears date of the 9th day of May 1884. The deponent further saith that the said W. H. Harper 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

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A paper purporting to be the last will and testament of Sarah Le Hicks deceased is exhibited before me, the undersigned, Judge of Probate for said County, by D. S. Hicks the executor therein mentioned and the due execution thereof by the said Sarah Le Hicks by the oath and examination of J. H. Harper & W. R. Ross the sworn Witness thereto, who, being duly sworn, each depose and say and each for him self respectively and saith, that he is a subscribing Witness ~~to the~~ paper writing now shown him purporting to be the last will and testament of Sarah Le Hicks that the said Sarah Le Hicks in the presence of this deponent subscribed his name at the end of said paper writing which now shown as afore said and which bears date of the 30 day of April 1884. And the deponent further saith, that the said Sarah Le Hicks the testator afore said, did at the time of subscribing his name as afore said declare the said paper writing as subscribed by him and exhibited to be his last will and testament and this deponent did then upon 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 afore said. And at the time of deponent's subscribing his name, as an attesting Witness thereto, as afore said, the said Sarah Le Hicks 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.

J. H. Harper (Real)
W. R. Ross

Specially sworn and subscribed
this 3^d day Nov 1884 before me,
Jas. P. Morgan

Probate Judge.

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In the name of God Amen. I, William H. Harper of the County of Cass and State of North Carolina, being of sound mind and memory but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence, do make, declare and publish this my last paper writing to be my last will and testament in manner and form as follows, I give and bequeath to my grand daughter Elsie Taylor one bed, two steel mattress one sheet and one bed quilt it being the bed I now use.

Item 2nd

I leave to my daughter Sarah Hicks all my other personal property, of every kind whatsover, for the term of her natural life.

Item 3rd

At the death of my daughter Sarah Hicks I give and bequeath to my grand daughter Elsie Taylor and Geo. Harper all the property herein named to my daughter Sarah Hicks to be equally divided between them.

Item 4th

I hereby nominate constitute and appoint my grand son Henry H. Harper and my friend Wm. P. Griffin my executors to this my last will and testament to execute the same and every part thereof. I Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the 9th day of May 1884.

Witness
Jefferson Webb,
J. G. Hill

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A paper purporting to be the last will and testament of Wm. H. Harper, deceased is exhibited before me, the undersigned, Judge of Probate for said County, by J. P. Griffin the executor therein mentioned and the due execution thereof by the said Wm. H. Harper by the oath and examination of Jeff Webb and J. G. Hill the subscribing Witnesses thereto who, being duly sworn each depose and say, and each for him self respectively and saith, that he is a subscribing Witness to the paper writing now shown him purporting to be the last will & testament of Wm. H. Harper that the said Wm. H. Harper in the presence of this deponent subscribed his name at the end of said paper writing which now shown as afore said, and which bears date of the 9th day of May 1884. The deponent further saith that the said Wm. H. Harper the testator afore said did, at the time of subscribing his name as afore said, 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