

Adam Clontz's Last Will and Testament

I Adam Clontz of the County of Union in the State of North Carolina Being of sound mind & memory Do Declare this to be my last Will and Testament

1 I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Serana Clontz my Entire estate of Every Description During her lifetime for her comfortable support and after her death for Every and all the Remainder of to be sold & and funeral expences & all other debts if any to be paid.

2^d I will and bequeath to grand Daughter Serana who inter married with Wilson Rushing five Dollars and the Remainder of my Estate to be equally Devided between my three Daughters Polly who intermarried with Charley Hagler and Sarah who married William Griffin and Matilda who married Allen Trull my Daughter Katy who married John Kiker has already had her share the three first named share & share alike my son Jacob W Clontz in consideration of advances previously made to him in land his promised to defray my funeral Expences.

I appoint my son John Clontz my trusted friend my Executor of this my last will and Testament.

In witness whereof I Adam Clontz have hereunto set my hand and seal in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight Hundred and ninety seven.

Subscribed by the Testator in presents

Adam ^{his} Clontz
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of each of us and at same time declared by
him to us to be as his last will & Testament

S H Eason

J C Mullis

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

A paper purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of Adam Clonts deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned, Clerk of

Last Will and Testament of Adam Clonts, continued,
 Court for said County, by John Clonts the executor therein mentioned, and
 the due execution thereof by the said Adam Clonts is proven by the oral
 and examination of S H Eason and J C Mullis the subscribing witnesses
 thereto; who being duly sworn, doth depose and say, each for himself
 that he is a subscribing witness to the paper-writing now shown
 him, purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of Adam Clonts;
 that the said Adam Clonts in his presence subscribed his name at
 the end of said paper-writing and which bears date of the — day of
 1897; that the said Adam Clonts did at the time of subscribing his
 name as aforesaid declare the said paper-writing to be his Last
 Will and Testament, and that he did thereupon subscribe his
 name at the end of said Will as an attesting witness thereto and
 at the request of — in presence of the said testator, that at the
 time the said — subscribed his name to the said Last Will
 as aforesaid and at the time he subscribed his name as a witness
 thereto, the said Adam Clonts was of sound mind and memory,
 of full age to execute a Will, and was not under any restraint
 the knowledge information or belief of the deponent.

It is therefore adjudged that the said paper-writing and every
 part and clause thereof is the Last Will and Testament of Adam
 Clonts, deceased, and ordered that the same be recorded and that
 Letters Testamentary be issued to John Clonts, the Executor therein
 named, who thereupon takes the oath required by law and Letters
 Testamentary are issued to him. This done at — 1898.

and examination of S H Eason and J C Mullis the subscribing witnesses thereto; who being duly sworn, doth depose and say, each for himself that he is a subscribing witness to the paper-writing now shown him, purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of Adam Clonts, that the said Adam Clonts in his presence subscribed his name at the end of said paper-writing and which bears date of the — day of 1897; that the said Adam Clonts did at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid declare the said paper-writing to be his Last Will and Testament, and that he did thereupon subscribe his name at the end of said Will as an attesting witness thereto and at the request of — in presence of the said testator, that at the time the said — subscribed his name to the said Last Will as aforesaid and at the time he subscribed his name as a witness thereto, the said Adam Clonts was of sound mind and memory, of full age to execute a Will, and was not under any restraint, the knowledge information or belief of the deponent.

It is therefore adjudged that the said paper-writing and every part and clause thereof is the Last Will and Testament of Adam Clonts, deceased, and ordered that the same be recorded and that Letters Testamentary be issued to John Clonts, the Executor there named, who thereupon takes the oath required by law and Letters Testamentary are issued to him. This day of 1898
F H Wolfe, C.C.