

In the Name of God. I Elizabeth Arnold, of the County of Washington and State of North Carolina, of Sound and disposing mind and memory, but in body and in view of the uncertainty of human life do make and declare this my last will and testament in manner and form following that is to say: First I desire my Executor hereinafter named shall first pay all my just debts hereunto and to whomsoever owing out of the first moneys that may come into his hands: - Then I give and bequeath to my daughter Laura Elizabeth Rospas one Bed and all necessary bed furniture, one large looking glass and a dressing table: - Then I give and bequeath to my daughter Robert Ann Rospas one Bed and all necessary bed furniture, the large Family Bible, a looking glass, and a dressing table: - Then I give and bequeath to my son William Augustus Rospas, that portion of my land lying between the Long Ace and Lees Mill Road and joining the Lands of William Wardron and also also one bed and all necessary bed furniture and a dressing table: - Then I give and bequeath to my daughters Laura Elizabeth and Robert Ann Rospas all the money that may be owing to me at my death, my Cushioned Chairs and all my books except the Family Bible above disposed of: - Then I bind to my husband A. W. Arnold all the rest of my property, Real and personal, for and during the term of the natural life of my afflicted son Robert J. O. Rospas who is unable to provide for himself on Condition that my said husband comfortably provide for and take care of my said son until his death and in case my said husband shall fail or neglect so to provide for and take care of my said son as above specified, then and in that case I give and bequeath all of my otherwise undisposed of property Real and personal to my said son Robert J. O. Rospas during his natural life for his support and maintenance, and in either case at his death, it is my will and desire that the above described property not otherwise disposed of shall be divided among my Children as follows, viz: My two daughters Laura Elizabeth and Robert Ann Rospas to have each a cow and calf their choice, and in case my said husband shall provide for my son Robert J. O. Rospas as herein specified, I will and desire that my said husband A. W. Arnold have all the rest of my stock of Cattle, and the rest of personal property not disposed of otherwise, also in case he shall provide as above for my son Robert J. O. Rospas it is my will and desire that my said husband shall have his choice of the two pieces of my land as divided by us between my Rospas Children and Arnold Children by a

marked line beginning at the road southward of the gate running thence easterly to a corner on the ditch bank, thence a straight course to a corner tree in Isaac H. Hyams line, for his natural life for the benefit of his children, and it is my will and desire that he may see it if he choose and purchase other lands with the proceeds taking the title in the name of his children and in case my husband shall not provide for my son Robert, as herein specified it is my desire that my daughters Laura Elizabeth and Robert Ann Rospas, shall have the northern portion of said land, and my Arnold Children to have the other or southern portion as described by the above described line, and in case my husband shall make choice of the northern portion then my two Rospas daughters shall have the southern portion, and in either case my two Rospas daughters shall pay over to my son William Augustus the sum of fifty dollars in satisfaction for his portion of the same, and provide my husband A. W. Arnold shall take care of my son Robert as herein specified he shall have the privilege of taking the whole of my lands except the portion given to W. A. Rospas on condition that he pay to my son W. A. Rospas fifty dollars and to my daughters Laura E. and Robert Ann the balance of six hundred dollars and it is also my will and desire that he have three years in which to pay for said lands, then in case my husband shall fail or neglect to take care of my son Robert, I give and bequeath to him three beds and bed furniture and the cows which Sarah Jane and Caroline W. my children, now claim, and lastly I hereby constitute and appoint my trusty friend Wm. Johnston my lawful executor to all intents and purposes to execute this my last will and testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same and every part and clause thereof, hereby revoking and declaring utterly void all other wills and testaments by me heretofore made, In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the sixteenth day of May A. D. 1878.

Elizabeth Arnold ^{her} ~~own~~ ^{mark}

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the said Elizabeth Arnold to be her last will + testament in presence of us who at her request and in her presence and in the presence of each other do subscribe our names hereunto

W. B. Garrett
S. D. Johnston

Washington County - In the Probate Court
In the matter of the
Probate of the Will of
Elizabeth Arnold deceased

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Elizabeth Arnold deceased is exhibited before me by A. W. Arnold a devise in the will and the due execution thereof by the said Elizabeth Arnold, by the oath and examination of M. B. Garrett & S. S. Johnston the subscribing witnesses thereto is duly proved and they being duly sworn depose and say, each for himself that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now exhibited that the testatrix in presence of deponents, subscribed her name thereto and duly executed said paper writing bearing date May 16, 1870. and declared it to be her will - That the deponents each for himself, did thereupon on said day, at the request of the testatrix and in her presence and each in the presence of the other attest said writing as subscribing witnesses thereto, and that the genuine signatures of each are affixed thereto -

That at the time of executing said will and the attesting the same by deponent, the said Elizabeth Arnold was of sound mind and memory of full age and under no undue influence or restraint, according to the best knowledge, information and belief of these deponents and of each one of them, and further say not

Stewart L. Johnston
Martin B. Garrett

severally sworn to & subscribed
September 21 1870. before me
J. A. Melson Probate Judge

Washington County - In the Probate Court
In the matter of the
Will of Elizabeth Arnold

The undersigned respectfully
represent to the Court.

That by virtue of articles of Marriage settlement the estate of Elizabeth Arnold was secured to her and for her sole and separate use and subject to such disposition as she might make by last will executed according to law in her life time.

That the said Elizabeth did execute such will duly attested by two witnesses which is now approved for probate

and therein appoint Asa M. Johnston her executor who refuses to act and renounces all claim to said office.
That the property of the testatrix consisting of lands and home held furniture stock and other articles of personal estate is in apparent opinion, worth about the sum of six hundred dollars -
That the testatrix disposes of her estate by devising the same and bequeathing the same to the following named persons Laura Elizabeth Roesaas Robert Ann Roesaas William Augustus Roesaas A. W. Arnold Robert J. O. Roesaas Mary M. Arnold Sarah Jane Arnold and Caroline W. Arnold

A. W. Arnold

subscribed & sworn to before
me 21st Septem 1870
J. A. Melson
Probate Judge

Washington County - In the Probate Court
On the matter of the Will } Before J. A. Melson
of Elizabeth Arnold } Judge of Probate -

Asa M. Johnston being sworn doth say that Elizabeth Arnold late of said County is dead having first made and published her last will and testament and that he is the executor named therein. Further that the property of the said Elizabeth Arnold consisting of Real and personal Estate worth \$400. (as follows Real Estate \$600. personal property \$300) as far as can be ascertained at the date of this application and that Laura Elizabeth Roesaas, Robert Ann Roesaas William Augustus Roesaas Robert J. O. Roesaas Mary Martha Arnold Sarah Jane Arnold and Caroline W. Arnold and A. W. Arnold her husband all residents of the County of Washington Laura E. and W. A. Roesaas of full age Robert J. O. Roesaas of full age incapable of acting for himself as is declared by the will the not of the Child and minor without guardian are the parties entitled under said will to the said property

A. M. Johnston

sworn & subscribed to before
me this 21st day of April 1871.
J. A. Melson
Probate Judge

State of North Carolina } ss In the Probate Court
Washington County

I, Asa M. Johnston do solemnly swear that I believe this writing to be and contain the last will and Testament of Elizabeth Arnold deceased; and that I will well and truly execute the same by my first paying her debts and then her legacies as far as the said estate shall extend or the law shall charge me; and that I will well and faithfully execute the office of executor agreeable to the trust and confidence reposed in me and according to law; so help me God.

A. M. Johnston

Given to and subscribed
before me this 4 day of April 1871

J. C. Nelson
Probate Judge

I, Charles Latham of the County of Washington and State of North Carolina, do make this my last will and Testament in manner and form following. I give devise and Bequeath unto my Beloved wife Emma P. Latham her heirs and assigns forever, all my Copyright Real Personal and mixed of what nature or kind soever and wheresoever the same shall be at the time of my Death. and whereas my son Robert B. Latham is a minor of the age of about sixteen years old, and his mother was the sister of Emma P. Latham, and Adda May Latham is a minor about 10 years of age. Now therefore my will and desire is that my beloved wife Emma P. Latham is hereby appointed and constituted Guardian to these my two children to have and to hold the custody and Guardianship both of their respective Person and Estate until they the said Robert B. Latham and Adda May Latham shall severally arrive at the full age of twenty one years.

And lastly, I do hereby constitute and appoint my beloved wife Emma P. Latham my lawful sole Executrix, of this my last will and Testament &c. In witness whereof I the said Charles Latham have hereunto set my hand and seal this 16th March 1869

Charles Latham Seal

C. W. Asplew
J. B. Willoughby

State of North Carolina } In the Superior Court
Washington County

A paper writing, purporting to be the last will and Testament of Charles Latham deceased, is exhibited for probate in open Court by Emma P. Latham the executrix therein named; and it is thereupon proved by the oath and examination of J. A. Willoughby that J. B. Willoughby one of the subscribing witnesses thereto is a non resident of the State of North Carolina. And it is further proven by the oath and examination of the said J. A. Willoughby that he is well acquainted with the hand writing of the said J. B. Willoughby having often seen him write and that the name of the said J. B. Willoughby subscribed as a witness to the said will, is in the handwriting of the said J. B. Willoughby. It is therefore considered by the Court that the said paper writing, and every part thereof, is the last will and Testament of the said Charles Latham and the same is ordered to be recorded and filed.

This 22 day of May 1873

J. A. Willoughby

Thos J. Manning C. S. C.

State of North Carolina } In the Superior Court
Washington County

A paper writing, purporting to be the last will and Testament of Charles Latham deceased, is exhibited for probate in open Court by Emma P. Latham the executrix therein named; and it is thereupon proved by the oath and examination of L. C. Latham that he is well acquainted with the handwriting of the said Charles Latham having often seen him write, and that the name of the said Charles Latham subscribed to the said will, is in the handwriting of the said Charles Latham. It is therefore considered by the Court that the said paper writing, and every part thereof, is the last will and Testament of the said Charles Latham and the same is ordered to be recorded and filed.

This 22 day of May 1873

L. C. Latham

Thos J. Manning
C. S. C.

State of North Carolina } In the Superior Court
Washington County

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of Charles Latham deceased, is exhibited before me the undersigned, Clerk of the Superior Court for said County by Emma P. Latham the executrix therein mentioned, and the due execution thereof by the said,