

State of North Carolina
Washington County

I John M. Beasley of the aforesaid County and State being of sound mind, but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence do make and declare this my last Will and Testament.

- (1) First, My executors hereinafter named shall give my body a decent burial, suitable to the wishes of my friends and relatives, and pay all funeral expenses together with all my just debts, out of the first moneys which may come into her hands belonging to my estate.
 - (2) Second, I give, devise and bequeath to my beloved wife Nancy Beasley, all the property of every description, real, personal and mixed which I may be seized and possessed of at my death, to her the said Nancy Beasley, her heirs and assigns in fee-simple forever.
 - (3) Third, I hereby constitute and appoint my beloved wife Nancy Beasley my lawful executrix to, all intent and purpose, to execute this my last Will and Testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same my every part and clause thereof, hereby revoking any and all former Wills and all other Wills and Testaments by me heretofore made. In Witness Whereof, the said John M. Beasley do hereunto set my hand and seal this 20th day of October 1899.
- Witness:
W. H. Stubbs
W. H. Ward M. D.
- John M. Beasley *Test*

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I, paper writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of John M. Beasley, deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned, Clerk of the Superior Court for said County, by Nancy Beasley the executrix therein mentioned and the due execution thereof by the said John M. Beasley is proved by the oath and examination of W. H. Stubbs, of W. H. Ward M. D. 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 and purporting to be the last Will and Testament of John M. Beasley, that the said John M. Beasley in the presence of said deponent subscribed his name at the end of said paper-writing now shown as aforesaid, and that

the date of the 20th day of October 1899. And the deponent further swears, that the said John M. Beasley 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 swears, 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 their name as an attesting witness thereto, as aforesaid, the said John M. Beasley was of sound mind and memory, of full age to execute a will and was not under any restraint or the knowledge, information or belief of this deponent. And further these deponents say only.

W. H. Ward M. D. (Seal)
W. H. Stubbs (Seal)

Subscribed and Subscribed this 30th day of October 1900 before me
W. H. Bateman csc

State of North Carolina In the Superior Court.
Washington County

In the Matter of The Last Will of John M. Beasley. It appearing to the Court by the oath and examination of W. H. Stubbs and W. H. Ward M. D. the subscribing witnesses thereto, that the paper writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of John M. Beasley in the presence of said witnesses and at the time of signing the same the said John M. Beasley 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 John M. Beasley and the executrix therein named qualify as such. This 30th day of October, 1900.

W. H. Bateman Clerk of said Court

The State of North Carolina
Washington County In the Superior Court.
I, Nancy Beasley, do solemnly swear and truly believe this writing to be the last Will and Testament of John M. Beasley deceased, that I will well and truly execute the same by first paying his debts and then his legacies as far as the said estate shall extend, or the law will charge me; and that I will well and faithfully execute the office of an executor agreeable to the trust and confidence

expressed in me and according to law so help me God.
 Subscribed before me this Nancy Bradley
 30th day of October 1900.
W. M. Bateman c.s.c

Upon the executor subscribing to the foregoing Oath, Letter
 with a copy of the will annexed was issued to her 30th
 day of Oct 1900.
W. M. Bateman c.s.c

North Carolina, Washington County:-

I, Fannie Hicks of the aforesaid County and State, being
 of sound mind, but considering the uncertainty of my
 earthly existence, do make and declare this my last
 Will and Testament.

- First My Executor hereinafter named shall give my body
 a decent burial and pay all funeral expenses out
 of the first moneys which may come into his hands
 belonging to my estate.
- Second - I give and devise to my grand daughter Lura L.
 McBurnen one trunk of clothing.
- Third. - I give and devise to my son Edward W. Jones my bed
 and all the quilts &c
- Fourth. - I give and devise to Margaret Gilliam, the balance of all
 the household and kitchen furniture to be sold to
 defray my burial expenses.
- Fifth. - I give and bequeath to my son Edward W. Jones one
 half of my real estate where I now live.
- Sixth. - I give and bequeath to my daughter Margaret Gilliam
 one fourth of my real estate where I now live.
- Seventh. - I give and bequeath to my daughter Sila Wheeler
 one fourth of my real estate where I now live.
- Eighth. - I give and devise to my son Richard Jones fifty cents
 to be paid by my Executor out of the first moneys
 that may come into his hands.
- Ninth. - I hereby constitute and appoint my son Edward W. Jones
 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 Witness Whereof I the said Fannie Hicks do here
 with set my hand and seal. This 30th day of Oct 1900.

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the said Fannie Hicks
 to be her last Will and Testament in the presence of us, who at
 her request and in her presence do subscribe our names as
 Witnesses thereto

Frank Jones
 Geo. McDonald
 J. P. Williams

Given before me and recorded November 2nd 1900.
W. M. Bateman c.s.c

State of North Carolina, I Courtney Colburn of the aforesaid
 Martin County } County & State, 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 & form following that is to say.

First. That my Executor hereinafter named shall provide
 for my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of
 my relatives & friends. I pay all funeral expenses together
 with my just debt to whom and to whomsoever owing
 out of the moneys that may first come into his hands
 as a part and parcel of my estate.

- Second. - I give and bequeath to my grand daughter Courtney
 Colburn one bed, and bedstead.
- Third. - I give and bequeath to my son W. T. Colburn all of my
 household & kitchen furniture that is at his place also
 give to him one fifth of the balance of my entire
 estate personal property & real estate after deducting
 \$300.00 ninety three dollars without interest from his share
 which I have already given him.
- Fourth. - I give and bequeath to my son R. D. Colburn one fifth of
 my property both personal and real estate except what
 I have heretofore given, as above after deducting two
 notes as part of his share one note for \$50.00 twenty five
 dollars and one note for \$10.00 One hundred and fifteen
 dollars. I give him all interest on the two notes extra.
- Fifth. - I give and bequeath to my daughter Susan Jones
 one fifth of my entire estate personal and real estate
 except what is given above.
- Sixth. - I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary E.
 Robertson one fifth of my entire real estate and per-
 sonal property except what is mentioned above. If
 Mary E. Robertson should die what I have given her
 I give to her children.