

signed, sealed, published & declared to be the Last Will and Testament in the presence of us

Eli Hoyt

Jos. H. Blount

Rough M. Culbrough

State of North Carolina

Beaufort County Court - Pleas & Sessions
December Term 1811.

Then was this the Last Will & Testament of William Dr. dead proved in court in due form of law by the oath of Thomas H. Young a subscribing witness thereto & ordered to be recorded & John G. Blount at the same time came into Court & qualifying as Executor thereof

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North Carolina Beaufort County

I L. R. Mayo Clerk of the Superior Court of Beaufort County State of North Carolina do hereby certify that the true and correct copy of the Last Will and Testament and Ordinance to said Will of William Dr. as appears on file in my office. Witness my hand and official seal this 25th day of Oct. 4th 1811.

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L. R. Mayo

Clerk Superior Court of Beaufort County

Filed & recorded Oct 3rd 1811.

State of North Carolina, Washington County.

I James H. Chason of the County & State aforesaid, 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 and friends, and pay all funeral expenses together with my just debts however and to whomsoever owing out of the money that may first come into his or her hands as a part or parts of my estate.

Item 1. I give & devise & bequeath to my beloved wife my home tract of land which I now live on so as to include my mansion house all out houses & other improvements to have and to hold to her the said Catherine Chason for & during the term of her natural life in satisfaction for & in lieu of her dower & thirds of all my real estate & at her death to go to my youngest son Jos. H. Chason.

Item 2. I give & devise to my eldest son John all that tract of land lying on the East side of the new road running from Lees Mills to Vaseys School house beginning at the Gate & running East down the field road to Hindris Creek, thence North the various courses of said creek to the Sutton line, thence up the Sutton lane back to the road, thence along said road to the gate at the field way to have & to hold to him and his heirs in fee simple forever.

Item 3. I give & devise to my eldest daughter Laura all that tract of land, whereon she now lives to have & to hold to her & her heirs in fee simple forever.

Item 4. I give & devise to my daughter Nellie one half of one house and lot in the town of Plymouth formerly given by deed to her & her heirs in fee simple forever.

Item 5. I give & devise to my youngest daughter Ora all that tract of land lying on the East side of the new road running from Lees Mills to Vaseys School house beginning at the Gate and running East down the field road to Hindris Creek, thence South the various courses of said Creek to the lane between my land and the full tract land thence a State line running West to the new road thence along said road North to the field gate to the first Section being the dividing line between her & my son John.

Item 6. I give & bequeath, unto my youngest son Jos. H. Chason all of that tract of land I now live on at the death of

Item 7 his mother.
I leave all of my team & stock that I may have on hand at my death to be equally divided between my wife and children herein named my son John & Alice & my daughter Emma & Eva with the exception of the best team I may have on hand at that time I bequeath unto Edgar Howell.
And whereas my youngest daughter & son for my minors of the age of 9 years & one 9 months, now therefore my will is desire so that my wife Lettie & my brother R. B. Chason is hereby appointed & constituted guardian of these my two children to have & to raise the said Lettie until they the said Eva and R. B. Chason shall lawfully arrive at the full age of twenty one years.

And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my true wife & brother W. B. Chason my lawful executor to all mine and forgo to execute this my last Will & Testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same & every part and clause thereof, hereby revoking and declaring utterly void all other Wills & Testaments by me heretofore made. In Witness whereof the said Jas. B. Chason do hereunto set my hand and seal this first day of July 1893.
Jas. B. Chason

Signed seal published by the said Jas. B. Chason to be his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who at his request and in his presence do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto

Edgar Howell

R. B. Chason

Item 8 I leave all that tract of land on the North side of Baker Swamp adjoining the lands of Jas. Henry & W. B. Sherrill as privilege between my two sons John & Jas. B. Chason & two daughters Emma & Eva
J. B. Chason

State of North Carolina }
Washington County } In the Superior Court
A paper writing purporting to be the Last Will & Testament of Jas. B. Chason deceased, is exhibited before me, the under-

signed, clerk of the Superior Court for said County, be Lettie Chason the executrix therein mentioned, and the due execution thereof by the said Jas. B. Chason is proved by the oath and examination of B. W. Blegen and J. B. Chason the subscribing witnesses thereto: who being duly sworn, both 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 Jas. B. Chason, that the said Jas. B. Chason in the presence of this deponent subscribed his name at the end of said paper writing, now shown as aforesaid, and which bears date of the 1st day of July 1893, and that the deponent further deposes that the said Jas. B. Chason the testator aforesaid, did, at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid, declare the said paper writing to be subscribed by him and exhibited to be his Last Will & 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 says that at the same time when the said testator subscribed his name to the said last Will as aforesaid, and at the time of deponent subscribing his name as an attesting witness thereto, as aforesaid, the said Jas. B. Chason 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.
Solemnly sworn and subscribed this 16th day of March 1901 before me.
B. W. Blegen
J. B. Chason
W. B. Bateman C. S. C.

Upon the foregoing affidavits of B. W. Blegen and J. B. Chason, it is adjudged that the said paper writing purporting to be the last Will & Testament of Jas. B. Chason be admitted to probate and the executrix therein named qualify as such. This 16th day of March 1901.

W. B. Bateman C. S. C.

Mrs Lettie Chason wife of the said Jas. B. Chason qualified as the executrix of the Will of Jas. B. Chason deceased This 16th day of March 1901.

W. B. Bateman C. S. C.

Lettie Horton one of the legal fees given notice through Corbett at Term of presentation for probate in said Court that Court will be filed in due time. This 16th day of March 1901.

W. B. Bateman, C. S. C.