

believe that the maner of the said E G Peacock subscribes
to the said will, and the said will itself and every part
thereof are in the proper handwriting of the said E G Peacock
and that the said handwriting is generally known to
the acquaintances of said E G Peacock
And further their deponents say not. It is therefore
considered by the Court that the said paper writing
is the last will and testament of the said E G Peacock
and the same is ordered to be recorded and filed

J. S. Chesser
E. G. Peacock
A. C. Guyler Jr.

Served to & subscribed }
before me this 25th }
day of October 1890. }
Thos J. Manner }
Clark Superior Court }

In the name of God amen.

I A. L. Chesser of the County of Washington and State
of North Carolina, on the sixteenth day of December one
thousand eight hundred eighty nine being of sound mind
and disposing memory do make publick and declare this
my last will and testament revoking and declaring all
others heretofore made, null and void.

In witness I give and bequeath and devise to my niece Martha F.
Hodges the plantation whereon I now live, with the following
proviso, that in consideration of the above bequest, she pay
over to William R. Chesser seven hundred dollars, and to
James A. Chesser seven hundred dollars.

In witness I give bequeath and devise to my niece Martha F. Hodges
my farm known as the person farm adjoining the lands
of J. Stan Wm Hodges John Woolley and others to her
and her heirs forever, also all my house hold and kitchen
furniture, all my horses mules cattle and hogs, also my
farming utensils of every kind, all the provisions that may
be on hand, all the crop on hand or may be growing.
In witness whereunto I have hereunto set my hand and
seal the day and date above written.

Signed and sealed in the presence of
W. J. Starr }
T. S. Tuckerman }
A. L. Chesser (Seal)

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

A paper writing purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of
A. L. Chesser deceased, is exhibited before me, he undersigned, Clerk of the
Superior Court for said County, by Martha F. Hodges one of the legatees
therein mentioned, and the due execution thereof by the said A. L. Chesser
is proven by the oath and examination of W. J. Starr, & T. S. Tuckerman the
subscribing witnesses thereto: who, being duly sworn, doth 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 A. L. Chesser that the said A. L. Chesser, in the presence of said
deponent, subscribed his name at the end of said paper writing, now shown
as aforesaid, and which bears date of the 16th day of December 1889—
And the deponent further saith, that the said A. L. Chesser the testator aforesaid,
did, at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid, declare the
said paper writing so 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 this 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 deponent subscribing his
name as an attesting witness thereto, as aforesaid, he said A. L. Chesser
was of sound mind and memory, of full age to execute a will, and
was not under any restraint to the ~~knowledges~~ ^{information} or
belief of this deponent. And further the deponent say "not"

J. S. Chesser (Seal)
W. J. Starr (Seal)

Sworn to and
subscribed this 12th day
of May 1891 before me
Thos J. Manner
Clark Superior Court