

this my last will and testament  
Signed sealed published and declared as my my last will and  
testament in presence of the subscribing witnesses hereunto who  
at my request and in my presence and in the presence of each  
other have witnessed their private  
This 1<sup>st</sup> day of December A.D. 1851.

Edward H. Ailes (Seal)

Witnesses

M. G. Norman  
H. H. Stubbs

State of North Carolina In Superior Court  
Washington County

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of  
E. H. Ailes deceased is exhibited for probate by Ann E. Ayers the  
Executing therein named; and it is thereupon proved by the oath and  
examination of M. G. Norman that H. G. Norman one of the subscribing  
witnesses thereto is dead. And it is further proved by the oath and  
examination of the said M. G. Norman that he is well acquainted with  
the handwriting of the said H. G. Norman having often seen him write  
and that the name of the said H. G. Norman subscribed as a witness to  
the said will is in the handwriting of the said H. G. Norman.  
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 E. H. Ailes  
and the same is ordered to be recorded and filed.

M. G. Norman

This 31 day of Dec 1853

Sworn to before me

Thos. M. Mannes C.S.O.

State of North Carolina In Superior Court  
Washington County

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of  
E. H. Ailes deceased is exhibited before me the undersigned Clerk of  
the Superior Court for said County by Ann E. Ayers the Executing therein  
mentioned and the due execution thereof by the said E. H. Ayers is proved  
by the oath and examination of H. H. Stubbs one of the subscribing witnesses  
thereto who being duly sworn doth depose and say that he is a subscribing  
witness to the paper writing now shown him purporting to be the last will  
and testament of E. H. Ailes 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 first day of December 1851.  
And the deponent further saith that the said E. H. Ailes 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 the request and in the presence of the said testator  
And this deponent further saith, that at the 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 E. H. Ailes 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 this deponent say not.

H. H. Stubbs (Seal)

Severally sworn and subscribed  
this 31<sup>st</sup> day of December 1853  
before me Thos. M. Mannes  
Clerk Superior Court