

The foregoing paper writing purporting to be the Last Will
Testament of Clara M. Snell (now dead) having been
proven (by the oath & examination of C. W. Snell & S. H.
Tweed the subscribing witnesses thereto) to be genuine, it
is admitted to probate this 9th day of March 1906.
W. M. Belaman C. J.

In the Name of God, Amen:

I, Josephus H. Snell Jr., being of sound mind & memory
and considering the transience of my earthly existence
do make and declare this my last will & testament,
in manner and form following, to wit:

First

that after my death my beloved wife Mary E. Snell if able
& if not my friends shall provide a decent burial for my
body and pay all necessary expenses together with all my
just debts from the moneys coming first to hand.

Item 2

I give & bequeath to my wife Mary E. Snell during her
life all the tract of land on which I now live consisting
of 147 acres together with all my stock, tools & mares
& mules with all cattle & hogs with all my provisions
lots of all kinds, still vehicles cart & ca. my tools & guns
rifles &c. in fee to J. H. Snell Jr. All my growing crops of all kinds
in lieu of her dower & year support for her lifetime & Josephus
Jr. need add if he stop with & behave him self.

Item 3

I give and bequeath to my eldest daughter Lucie E.
Belaman my notes & mortgages as they are found, on the
2 Dunbar Colquhoun & Son my watch and all she has
had or got from me to the date of my death & 200 in place
thereof.

Item 4

I give & bequeath to my son Edward J. Snell one dollar
& a suit of clothes & recommend him to all my children,
don't let him suffer he is your brother and count in mind
care for him & if he should ever become count help him I
leave given to you.

Item 5

I give & bequeath to my son Isaac D. Snell my note & mortgage
against W. H. Papp as it is found at my death, with all I have
herein given off to him of money tool stock &c. &c. &c. &c.
no charge against me or him in any way to the date of my death.

Item 6

I give and bequeath to my daughter Ada V. Bailey the
Springfield tract of land as deeded to me by W. H. Spruill
my roads & drainways excepted my main road running
across the said tract on N side to main road, said
tract containing 115 acres, also one note against

Item 7

Ben. Spruill or if it is paid before \$200. in cash together
with all I have given to her before to the date of my death.
I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary Ann, &c. &c. &c.
beside what she has had one note against W. H. Papp \$100.
and one note against Stephen Spruill as it stands at my
death or if paid before my death one hundred dollars out
from my money he had at time of my death.

Item 8

My will is that Alice Spruill & Josephus Jr. shall have
all the residue of my estate real & personal after my
my wife death. I give & bequeath to Alice Spruill the
Hedge Decoy tract of land from a straight line from
the Hedge ditch to the N. W. Corner of Richard Spruill
land an old fallen pine stump a buggy & a horse driven
by it, thence along his line S. to Edmund Bailey line
thence northwesterly along my own & his line to the
deep swamp thence up along said swamp to a pine stump
corner on the N. E. Corner of an island thence across said
swamp along my & Eli Snell's line, thence along the swamp up
it along my line & Eli Snell's line & Eli Snell's line to the Hedge
Corner, the beginning, abutting a cartway to J. H. Spruill the
S. E. Corner, to Edmund Bailey line. I also give to her of my
moneys & notes between hundred dollars with whatever holdings
& stock my wife may give off to her & all the residue due
to Josephus after my death except what is given to my
beloved wife her lifetime then all the residue of lands & money
goes to Josephus Jr. he taking care of his mother & I am satisfied
& approved my wife & my daughter Lucie as my lawful
Executors to execute this my last will & testament the notes
are transferred & they & the money shall be paid over by my
wife if not done by me & receipt for by each one, all
my personal estate is for Josephus except what my wife
give off to A. Spruill & in case of death of Josephus his
estate if unmarried goes to be equally divided among
all my children. I Josephus H. Snell do declare this
my last will and Testament on this the 10th day of April
year of our Lord 1906 seen hundred and five & I
renewed all to the care of my nephew Amos Spruill
witness hand my wife & child to Josephus H. Snell Jr.
Signed & registered as my last Will & Testament in
presence of
Moses Spruill
Thompson Spruill
who are witnesses thereto
April 15th 1906.

Josephus H. Snell Jr.

(over)

Mary E. Snell qualified as executor
May 12th 1906 by taking the oath & reading
her will in presence of her executor
W. M. Belaman C. J.

State of North Carolina, Washington County.

The due execution of the foregoing was proven as a fact by the said examination of Mr. Hester & D. Smith & Mark Patrick who being duly sworn depose and say that they are well acquainted with the said writing of the said Joseph H. Hester having seen him write and that in their opinion the said Hester wrote said instrument purporting to be his last will & testament. It is therefore considered by the Court that the said paper writing is the last will and testament of the said Joseph H. Hester and the same is ordered to be recorded and filed.

Given to and subscribed } W. Hester
before me this 2nd day of } H. D. Smith } Affiant
Nov 1906 } Mark Patrick }

State of North Carolina,
Washington County.

I, A. H. Hassell of Washington 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 & testament in manner and form following that is to say.

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

Item I give and devise to my beloved nephews Lewis Hassell, Lemwood Hassell & Clark Hassell, sons of W. A. Hassell my brother children the sum of two hundred dollars to be equally divided between the three children.

Item I give to J. H. Wynne twenty five dollars to be held in the hands of my executor for the benefit of J. H. Wynne my half brother to be used in his last sickness & to pay his burial expenses.

Item I give to C. M. Hassell my half brother ten dollars.

Item I give to Mary F. Balesman my half sister ten dollars & one cent that was given to me by her mother.

Item I give to Mrs. S. W. Hays my niece twenty five dollars.

Item I give to Mrs. Sallie White my niece twenty five dollars & one cent that was given to me by her mother.

Item I give to my beloved wife N. J. Hassell all of my fishing outfit all of my net & trap and the balance of all my Charles property.

And lastly I do hereby constitute & appoint my trust friend W. J. Harris my lawful executor to see intent & purpose to execute the my last will & testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same & every part & clause thereof hereby revoking and declaring utterly void all other wills & testaments by me heretofore made.

In Witness Whereof I the said A. H. Hassell do hereunto set my hand & seal this 26th day of March A.D. 1906.
A. H. Hassell (Seal)

Legally sealed, published & declared by the said A. H. Hassell to be his last will & testament in the presence of us who at his request and in his presence do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto.

Witness
J. S. Larkin
R. Elliott

State of North Carolina In the Superior Court
Washington County

In the Matter of the Last Will of A. H. Hassell.

It appearing to the Court by the oath and examination of R. J. Larkin & R. Elliott the subscribing witnesses thereto, that the paper writing propounded by the executor therein named is the last will & testament of A. H. Hassell, and that the same was duly executed by said A. H. Hassell in the presence of said witnesses & that at the time of signing the same the said A. H. Hassell was of sound mind. It is therefore adjudged that the said paper writing be admitted to probate as the last will & testament of the said A. H. Hassell and the executor therein named qualify as such.

This 4th day of June 1906.

W. M. Balesman ex, c