

In the name of God Amen. I Reddick Ward of the County of Washington and State of North Carolina, Being weak in body and of sound mind memory & understanding, praise be God for the same do make this my last will and Testament in manner and form following.

I give devise and bequeath unto my beloved wife Polly Ann Ward her heirs forever all my property real personal & mixed of what nature or kind ever and whosoever the same shall be at the time of my death.

And I do nominate constitute and appoint my said wife sole executrix of this my last will and Testament hereby revoking and making void all and every other will or wills at any time heretofore made by me and do desire this to be my last will and Testament.

In witness whereof I the said Reddick Ward have hereunto set my hand this the 22nd day of July 1897 his
Reddick Ward
man

Signed declared and Published by the above named Reddick Ward do and for his last will and Testament in the presence of us who at his request and in his presence have subscribed our names

J. L. Manning
R. M. Peacock
H. L. Blount

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

A paper writing purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of Reddick Ward deceased is exhibited before me the undersigned Clerk Superior Court for said County by one of the witnesses thereto and the due execution thereof by the said Reddick Ward is proven by the oath and Examination of R. M. Peacock & H. L. Blount the subscribing witnesses thereto; who being duly sworn, doth depose and say, and each for himself 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 Reddick Ward that the said Reddick Ward in the presence of this deponent subscribe his name at the end of said paper writing, now shown as aforesaid, and which bears date of the 22nd day of July 1897

And the deponent further saith that the said Reddick Ward the testator aforesaid did at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid declare this said paper writing so subscribed by him and exhibited to be his Last will and Testament and that 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 said 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 Reddick Ward 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 that deponent do say not

R. M. Peacock Seal
H. L. Blount Seal

Severally sworn and subscribed
this 13th day July 1897 before me
J. L. Manning
Clerk Superior Court