

North Carolina Washington County.

I, J. H. Ambrose of the aforesaid County and State, being of sound mind, but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence, do make and declare this my last will and testament.

First my executors hereinafter named shall give my body a decent burial, suitable to the wishes of my friends and relatives and pay all funeral expenses together with all my just debts, out of the first moneys which may come into their hands belonging to my estate.

Second I give and devise to my beloved wife Bettie E. Ambrose part of the tract of land where I now live being on the south side of the road running through the field and which divides the high land from the low land and being the part of said tract of land where the buildings are situated, also I give and devise to my said wife Bettie E. Ambrose part of the tract of land on the south side of the public road in front of my residence where I now live, beginning at A. B. Ambrose corner on the public road, running southwesterly to M. M. Ambrose (de) line thence eastwardly along said line to M. E. White line, and running eastwardly along said line to a iron stub opposite and old ditch, thence northwardly along the old ditch to the public road, thence westwardly along the road to the first station containing in both tracts 18 acres more or less, for her natural life in satisfaction of her dower and third in all my lands, and the above property shall go to my son M. E. Ambrose and his heirs at the death of my said wife.

Third I give and devise to my son M. E. Ambrose and his heirs in fee simple the remainder of the tract of land where I now live and where my son M. E. Ambrose now lives being that part of said tract including farm land, and wood land, on the north side of the ~~public~~ road running through the field and the public road, bound on the east by Williford (P) M. T. Phelps and R. H. Phelps, bound on the north by Carey Craddock, and bound on the west by S. B. Phelps and bound on the south by road through the field and the public road also the remainder of the tract of land lying on the south side of the public road being timber land beginning at a iron stub in M. E. White line running northwardly along the old ditch to the public road, thence eastwardly and southwardly along public road to center of old line ditch, thence westwardly along the ditch to the first station containing in both tracts 43 acres more or less,

also at the death of my wife my said son M. E. Ambrose and his heirs shall have in fee simple all the real estate conveyed to him in this will.

Fourth, I give and bequeath to my said beloved wife all household and kitchen furniture, and I have already placed to her credit in the Bank of Greensboro five hundred dollars.

Fifth I give and bequeath to my two sons M. E. Ambrose and M. H. Ambrose both to have equal shares, all the moneys and all the chattel and personal property belonging to my estate at my death.

Sixth I hereby appoint my two sons M. E. and M. H. Ambrose my lawful executors hereby revoking and declaring utterly void all other wills and testaments heretofore by me made.

This Oct. 10-1923.

J. H. Ambrose, Test

Signed sealed published and declared by the said J. H. Ambrose to be his last will and testament in the presence of us who at his request and in his presence and in the presence of each other do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto.

Witness

J. F. Snell

L. A. Snell

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

A paper writing, purporting to be the last will and testament of J. H. Ambrose, deceased, is exhibited for probate in open Court by M. E. and M. H. Ambrose, the executors therein named, and it is thereupon proved by the oath and examination of H. B. Snell that L. A. Snell one of the subscribing witnesses thereto is dead, and it is further proved by the oath and examination of the said H. B. Snell that he is well acquainted with the handwriting of the said L. A. Snell having often seen him write, and that the name of the said L. A. Snell subscribed as a witness to the said will, is in the handwriting of the said L. A. Snell.

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 J. H. Ambrose and the same is ordered to be recorded and filed.

This 24 day of May, 1930.

C. E. Ambrose, J. C.

Over

State of North Carolina, } In the Superior Court
Washington County, } Before the Clerk.

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of J. H. Ambrose, deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned Clerk of the Superior Court for said County, by H. E. and N. H. Ambrose, the executors therein mentioned, and the due execution thereof by the said J. H. Ambrose is proved by the oath and examination of J. F. Snell, one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, who, being duly sworn, deposes and says that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown him, purporting to be the last will and testament of J. H. Ambrose; that the said J. H. Ambrose, 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 10th day of Oct., 1923.

And the deponent further saith that the said J. H. Ambrose, 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 said time when the said testator subscribed his name to the said last will as aforesaid, and at the time of the deponent's subscribing his name as attesting witness thereto, as aforesaid, the said J. H. Ambrose 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 says not.

J. F. Snell,

Sworn and subscribed, this 24th day of May, 1930, before me

C. W. Wenslow
Clerk Superior Court.

North Carolina, } In the Superior Court
Washington County, }

It is therefore considered and adjudged by the Court that the said paper writing, and every part thereof, is the last will and testament of J. H. Ambrose, deceased, and the same with the foregoing examination and this certificate, are ordered to be recorded and filed.

This 24 day of May, 1930.

C. W. Wenslow
Clerk Superior Court

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This is the last will and testament of H. R. Chesson
I give the whole my estate to my wife Alma Chesson
H. R. Chesson (Seal)

State of North Carolina, } In the Superior Court
Washington County, }

A paper writing without subscribing witnesses, purporting to be the last will and testament of H. R. Chesson, deceased, is exhibited for probate in open Court by Alma Chesson, the devisee therein named; and it is thereupon proved by the oath and examination of Alma Chesson that the said will was found among the valuable papers and effects of the said H. R. Chesson after his death; and it is further proved by the oath and examination of three competent and credible witnesses, to-wit: H. E. Davenport, H. B. Davenport and H. R. Chesson, that they are acquainted with the handwriting of the said H. R. Chesson, having often seen him write, and truly believe that the name of the said H. R. Chesson subscribed to the said will and the said will itself, and every part thereof, is in the handwriting of the said H. R. Chesson; and it is further proved by the evidence of the three last mentioned witnesses, that the said handwriting is generally known to the acquaintances of the said H. R. Chesson. It is, therefore, considered by the Court that the said paper writing is the last will and testament of the said H. R. Chesson, and the same is ordered to be recorded and filed.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, } H. E. Davenport,
this 22nd day of July, 1930, } H. B. Davenport,
C. W. Wenslow, C. } H. R. Chesson.