

him purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Silvia Smith; that the said Silvia Smith, in the presence of this deponent subscribed his name at the end of said paper writing, which is now shown as aforesaid, and which bears date of the 31st day of August, 1912.

And this deponent further said, that the said Silvia Smith the testator aforesaid, did, at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid, declare the said paper writing as 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 said testator. And his deponent further said, that at the same 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 Silvia Smith 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 these deponents say not.

Specially sworn and subscribed,
this 11th day of March, 1916, before me,
C.D.W. Tinsboro.

P. H. Bell,
D. C. Cobb.

Clerk Superior Court.

North Carolina,
Washington County } ss- In the Superior Court.

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 Silvia Smith, deceased. Let said Will, together with this probate, be recorded and filed.

This 11th day of March, 1916,

C.D.W. Tinsboro

Clerk Superior Court.

North Carolina
Washington County }

I, Mary J. Bateman, being of sound do make this ~~my~~ last will and testament hereby revoking all other wills heretofore by me made.

Item 1. I devise, bequeath and give to my Husband, Chas. F. Bateman all of my ~~personal~~ property real, personal and mixed which I now or may hereafter own, including all of my lands farms and property for and during the term of his natural life and no longer. Thereby giving him a life estate in and to all of said property. He to have the sole use and benefit of same during said term, to wit his life.

2. Subject to said life estate I give to my said son, Jimmie for and during his natural and no longer the Home Place. It being the property conveyed by H. T. Freeman to me by deed of record in Washington County, N. C. and after the death of said Jimmie the said Home place devised to him for life shall go to his children and the issue of such as are dead. If said Jimmie shall die without leaving any children or issue of such as are dead then said Home place shall go to said Jimmie's brothers and sisters or the issue of such as are dead, issue standing in the place of their deceased parents.

3. I give subject to the life estate of my said husband the lands divided to me by the Commissioners who divided the lands of my late father H. T. Freeman, to my two children Harry L. and Lizzie E. said lands to be divided between said children as follows, The canal shall be the dividing line between them, Harry having all on the North of said Canal and Lizzie all on the South. The said Harry and Lizzie shall each have only a life estate in and to said lands so given to them and at their death the said lands so given to them shall respectively go to their living children or the issue of such as are dead, said issue representing their deceased parents, in the event there are no issue of the said Harry or the said Lizzie living at the death of their respective parents (that is children or grandchildren) the said lands so given to each

of said parties respectively for their lives shall go to their other brothers and sisters or the issue of such as are dead.

4. In this devise the word issue mean children or grandchildren, the children of deceased parents representing the said deceased parents.

5. I here by appoint and constitute my said Husband Executor of this my said will.

Signed sealed and published the March, 6, 1912 by me. Witness my hand and seal.

Mary J. Bateman (seal)

Witnessed by us who sign our names in the presence of the said testatrix Mary J. Bateman and in the presence of each other, at the request of the said testatrix who signed said will in our presence and asks that we do witness said paper as her last will and testament, March, 7, 1912

Witness. Whit I. Harrison.
Blanch Bowen.

Probate of Will.

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

A paper writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Mary J. Bateman, deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned Clerk of the Superior Court for said County, by Chas. F. Bateman, the executor therein mentioned, and the due execution thereof by the said Mary J. Bateman by the oath and examination of Whit I. Harrison and Blanch Bowen, the subscribing witnesses thereto, who be duly sworn, doth depose and say, and each for himself depose and saith, that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown him, purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Mary J. Bateman; that the said Mary J. Bateman, in the presence of this deponent, subscribed her name at the end of said paper writing, which is now shown as aforesaid, and which bears date of the 6th day of March, 1912.

And this deponent further saith, that the said Mary J. Bateman the testatrix, aforesaid did at the time of

subscribing her name as aforesaid, declare the said paper writing as subscribed by her and exhibited to be her last Will and Testament, and this deponent did thereupon subscribe her name at the end of said Will, as an attesting witness thereto, and at the request and in the presence of said testatrix. And this deponent further saith, that at the same time of the deponent subscribing her name as attesting witness thereto, as aforesaid, the said Mary J. Bateman 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 these deponent say not.

Severally sworn and subscribed this 6th day of May 1916, before me.
Whit I. Harrison
Blanch Bowen

C. V. W. Ausborn

Clerk Superior Court

North Carolina } ss. 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 Mary J. Bateman, deceased. Let said Will, together with the probate, be recorded and filed.

This 6th day of May, 1916.

C. V. W. Ausborn

Clerk Superior Court.

5/26/16.
Personally appeared before me the day, Chas. F. Bateman, who qualified as Executor to the foregoing Will by taking and subscribing to the oath prescribed by law for the qualification of Executors.

This May 6th, 1916.

C. V. W. Ausborn
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