

North Carolina

Washington County,

I George Langley Bowen of the State and County above written, do make publish and declare this to be my last will and testament hereby revoking all other wills and testaments by me heretofore made.

First, I will and devise to my beloved wife Mary E. Bowen the Home Place and the Great Island Tract, for and during her natural life, and in remainder to my three children, as hereinafter provided,

Second, I will and devise to my two daughters, Irene Bowen and Bessie Bowen, subject to the life estate of Mary E. Bowen, my wife, the tract of land on which I now live on Long Lake Road and known as My Home Place containing 350 acres, more or less the dividing line between them to be as follows:

Beginning at an iron marker in the diagonal in the Larrimaged line of the White L. Paper Lumber Company and myself about one hundred seventy five yards from the end of my main head ditch, and running thence westwardly to the East end of said ditch, thence with the same course of said ditch to Mackays and Blount line, thence the same course to the run of the swamps and Hilly Veneer Company line.

Item One of Section Two, My daughter Irene Bowen to have and to hold that part of said land lying on the North side of said line

Item Two of Section Two, My daughter Bessie Bowen to have and to hold that part of said land lying on the South side of said dividing line being that portion which the old buildings now stand.

Third, I will and devise to my son Hatter S. Bowen subject to the life estate of Mary E. Bowen, my wife, that tract of land known as part of Great Island, containing one hundred twenty eight acres more or less and adjoining Robert Gungansons, Hilly Veneer Company.

Fourth, I will and devise to my three children Irene Bowen, Bessie Bowen and Hatter S. Bowen, not subject to

my life estate whatsoever the following described real estate;

"(1) A small tract of land containing ten and one-half acres, lying opposite the Gaylord Farm, said land being conveyed to me by Nathan Spruill"

"(2) Known as John Thomas Gungansons Tract in the foot of the Hollis, Plymouth and Back Road"

Item One of Section Four, that my three children are to share equally in the above tracts of land, either by division or sell and divide the proceeds of said sale equal shares.

Fifth, I will and devise to my wife, Mary E. Bowen, my two daughters, Irene Bowen and Bessie Bowen and my son, Hatter S. Bowen, all money, notes and mortgages, bonds and bank stocks, that they are to share and share alike in same.

Sixth, I will and devise and bequeath to my beloved wife, Mary E. Bowen, all the residue of my personal property, real property and mixed property in fee, except as heretofore and hereafter devised by this instrument.

Seventh, I will and bequeath to my son Hatter, my watch and chain.

Eighth, I further will and bequeath to my son Hatter and daughter Bessie, each a good feather bed and mattress.

Ninth, I hereby appoint and constitute my beloved wife, Mary E. Bowen my lawful executor.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 10th day of Sept. 1927, A.D.

Geo. L. Bowen, (Seal)

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the said George L. Bowen 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.

Witnesses:

Lloyd E. Gilbert, Plymouth, N.C.
H. E. Beane, Plymouth, N.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 Geo. L. Bower, deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned, Clerk of the Superior Court for said County, by Mary E. Bower, the executrix therein mentioned, and the due execution thereof by the said Geo. L. Bower is proved by the oath and examination of Lloyd E. Gilbert and H. E. Beane, the subscribing witnesses thereto, who, being duly sworn, do depose and say and each for himself depose and swear, that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown him, purporting to be the last will and testament of Geo. L. Bower; that the said Geo. L. Bower, 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 18th day of Sept., 1929.

And the deponent further saith that the said Geo. L. Bower, 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 the deponent's subscribing his name as attesting witness thereto as aforesaid, the said Geo. L. Bower 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.

Lloyd E. Gilbert
H. E. Beane

Solemnly sworn and subscribed,
This 18th day of September, 1929, before me

C. W. Tinsboro

Clerk Superior Court.

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

It is therefore considered and adjudged by the Court that the said paper writing, and my past thereof, is the last will and testament of Geo. L. Bower, deceased and the same, with the foregoing examination and this certificate, are ordered to be recorded and filed.

This 18th day of September, 1929.

C. W. Tinsboro

Clerk Superior Court.