

North Carolina
Washington County, }

I, E. E. Davenport, of the County & State aforesaid, being of sound mind, memory & understanding do make & declare this to be my last will & testament in manners & form as follows,

First that my executor hereafter to be named shall provide for my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my relatives and pay all funeral expenses together with my just debts out of the first money coming into his hands as part & parcel of my estate.

Then, I give & devise to my Daughter Nancy V. Swain wife of H. V. Swain & to her & her heirs forever all of following tract or parcel of land lying and being in the County of Washington & bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at the white oak on South side of Gum Swamp, thence along M. R. Patrick's line to a pine & Gum to my leading ditch, thence along the said ditch to a bridge, thence along the Road & thicket to the white oak corner line, the first station.

Then, I give & devise to my Daughter Margaret A. Davenport in or simple & forever all of the following tract or parcel of land lying & being in the County of Washington & bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at a pine on the South side of Mark Poplar Swamp (James Hollands corner line), thence South East to a pine stump & Sweet Gum, near the Cabin Ridge Franklin Smith & M. Patrick's corner line, thence Southwesterly to a pine in the savannah, Ephraim Davenports corner line, thence Westerly to a pine E. Davenport corner, thence Westerly to a pine on the South side of Elm Swamp, thence Westerly to a white oak on the South of Gum Swamp, E. Davenports corner line, thence Southwesterly & Easterly along E. Davenports line to a pine & Sweet Gum on the North side of Gum Swamp, George Swains corner line, thence Easterly along Swains line & my six foot ditch to a Sweet Gum standing in the fork between my back ditch & my leading ditch, that drains the water out of my farm, & thence Southwesterly along my leading ditch to a bridge on the Main Road that leads to my farm, thence North East along the Main Road to my Canal, thence along

I, E. E. Davenport, having recovered, in writing, his right to be executor, E. E. Davenport Jr., qualified as executor of said estate. This March 7, 1907, C. M. Tinsley, 888.

my Canal & Main Road to Hollands corner the first station, containing 350 acres more or less.

Then, I give & devise to my son Ephraim Ellis Davenport in or simple & to my Daughter Margaret A. Davenport a life right in the Home tract of land where I now reside also I give to the said Ephraim E. & Margaret A. Davenport all of my household & kitchen furniture & stock of all kinds that may be on hand at the time of my death.

Then, I give and devise to my Daughter Willie M. Woodley wife of J. M. Woodley the sum of five hundred dollars, and lastly I hereby constitute & appoint my friend Thos. E. Staley my lawful executor to execute this my last will & testament according to the true intent & meaning of the same.

In witness whereof I the said E. E. Davenport have hereunto set my hand & seal this 9th day of March, 1907

E. E. Davenport, (Seal)

Sign & sealed published & declared by the said E. E. Davenport to be his last will & testament in the presence of us & at his request & in his presence do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto.

W. J. Mercer.

H. L. Pritchard.

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

A paper writing purporting to be the last will & testament of E. E. Davenport, deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned, Clerk of the Superior Court for said County, by E. E. Davenport, Jr., one of the devisees therein mentioned, and the due execution thereof by the said E. E. Davenport by the oath and examination of W. J. Mercer, the subscribing witness thereto, who being duly sworn doth depose and say, that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown him, purporting to be the last will & testament of E. E. Davenport; that the said E. E. Davenport, 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 9th day of March, 1907.

And this deponent further saith, that the said E. E. Davenport from 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 therefore 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 this deponent further saith, 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 E. E. Davenport 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.

Sworn and subscribed,
This 7th day of March, 1914,
before me, by H. J. Mercer,
C. W. Turstone
Clerk Superior Court

H. J. Mercer.
H. L. Pitchard.

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

A paper writing, purporting to be the last Will and Testament of E. E. Davenport, deceased, is exhibited for probate in open Court by E. E. Davenport, Jr. one of the devisees therein named; and it is therefore proved by the oath and examination of M. A. Phelps that H. L. Pitchard one of the subscribing witnesses thereto is dead. And it is further proved by the oath and examination of the said M. A. Phelps that she is well acquainted with the hand writing of the said H. L. Pitchard, having often seen him write, and that the name of the said H. L. Pitchard subscribed as a witness to the said Will, is in the handwriting of the said H. L. Pitchard. 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 E. E. Davenport and the same is ordered to be recorded and filed.

This 7th day of March, 1914

C. W. Turstone,
C. C.

North Carolina, Washington County,

I, Benjamin Hoodley of aforesaid County & State being of sound mind, but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence, do make and declare this my last Will & Testament:

1st, My executor, hereafter mentioned shall give my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my friends and relatives & pay all funeral expenses together with all just debts out of the first moneys which may come into his hands belonging to my estate.

2nd, I give and devise to my beloved wife Susan Hoodley all of my estate both personal & real during her natural life.

3rd, At the death of my wife Susan Hoodley I give and bequeath to my daughter Annie Jane Davenport all of my estate both personal and real the same as I have bequeathed above to my wife Susan Hoodley, and at the death of my daughter Annie Jane I leave all of my property to her heirs.

I hereby constitute and appoint my dear wife my lawful executor of the aforesaid will without bond according to the meaning & intent of the same & any part and clause of the same, hereby revoking and declaring void all other wills & testaments by me heretofore made.

In witness whereof I the said Benjamin Hoodley do hereunto set my hand and seal this the 10th day of January, 1912,

Benjamin Hoodley (Seal)

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the said Benjamin Hoodley 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

M. H. Hardison,
Alfred Smith,

(over)