

Charles Reavis's Will

I Charles Reavis of the County of Gaston and State of North Carolina, being of sound mind and memory and considering the uncertainty of life do publish and make known my last will that is to say-

After all my lawful debts are paid and satisfied the remainder of my estate real and personal I give and bequeath to my wife Rebecca to distribute the personal property as she fit to who she please & at my wifes death I desire Charles Sanford Joseph J. Reavis have the land divided between them

Begining at Sanford's post oak corner near Joseph house, run a straight line to the lower end of the long bottom, then up the creek to the branch, then up the branch, then up the branch to the line. Joseph to have choice of sides. Though if my wifes circumstances should become such as to be in need she shall have the privilege of settling a portion of the land for her own benefit and the boys to be equal.

Given under my hand and seal August the 31 day 1893.  
I appoint J. L. Reavis Executor to my will

Charles Reavis Seal

Atest

W. A. Martin

Probate of J. L. Reavis Will

North Carolina }  
Gaston County } In the Superior Court

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Charles Reavis dec'd is exhibited for probate in open court, by J. L. Reavis, the executor therin named, and it is thereupon proved by the oaths and examination of the said J. L. Reavis that the said paper writing, purporting to be the last will and testament of Charles Reavis dec'd was found among the valuable papers wrapped up in a book, with other valuable papers in a Bureau drawer, after the death of the said Charles Reavis.

And it is further proved by the oaths and examination of three competent witnesses, to wit, W. L. Martin, W. L. King and W. A. Martin, that they are acquainted with the handwriting of the said Charles Reavis having

often seen him write and verily believe that the name Charles Reavis subscribed to the said paper writing and the said paper writing its self and each and every part thereof is in the hand writing of the said Charles Reavis.

J. L. Reavis  
W. L. Martin  
W. L. King  
W. A. Martin

(red)  
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(red)  
(red)

Sworn + subscribed to  
before me this 5 day of  
Feby. 1901.

W. A. Hall, C.S.C.

It is therefore considered by the court that the said paper writing is the last will and testament of Charles Reavis, and that it is ordered that the same be recorded and filed.

This 5 day of Feby. 1901.

W. A. Hall, C.S.C.