

my house with glass knobs.

I further will that my blacksmith tools be and remain on my house place, and all my farming tools is to remain on my house place and go with, it.

Witness.

D. Hoots.

Thos. C. Phillips.

J. M. Danner.

Probate

State of North Carolina }
Gadswain County } In the Superior Court.

A paper purporting to be the last will and testament of D. Hoots, deceased, is exhibited before me the undersigned, clerk of the Superior Court for said County, by Francis M. Danner, the executor therein mentioned, and the due execution thereof by the said D. Hoots by the oath and examination of Francis Danner 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 and testament of D. Hoots, that the said D. Hoots in the presence of this deponent subscribed his name at the end of said paper writing, which was now shown as aforesaid, and which bears date of the 31 day of December 1897.

And the deponent further saith, that the said D. Hoots, 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 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 an attesting witness thereto, as aforesaid, the said D. Hoots 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.

J. M. Danner

Sworn & subscribed, this
16 day of Dec. 1902, before me }
W. A. Hall, clerk }
Superior Court.

North Carolina }
Gadswain County }

J. M. Phillips being duly sworn deposes and says, that he is well acquainted with the hand writing of Thos. C. Phillips, having often seen him write and sign his name, and that the signature of Thos. C. Phillips, as a subscribing witness, to the last will and testament of D. Hoots, dated Dec. 31st, 1897, is the genuine signature of Thos. C. Phillips, and that the said Thos. C. Phillips is now dead.

J. M. Phillips

Sworn & subscribed to
before me, this the 18 day
of Dec. 1902 - }
W. A. Hall, c.s.b.

North Carolina }
Gadswain County }

J. M. Phillips being duly sworn says, that he is well acquainted with the hand writing of D. Hoots, having often seen him sign his name and his signature to a paper writing purporting to be his last will and testament, dated Dec. 31, 1897, is his genuine signature.

J. M. Phillips

Sworn & subscribed to
before me, this the 18 day
of Dec. 1902 - }
W. A. Hall, c.s.b.

North Carolina }
Gadswain County } In the Superior Court.

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of D. Hoots, deceased, by Francis M. Danner, the executor therein named, and it is thereupon proved by the oath and examination of J. M. Phillips, that Thos. C. Phillips, one of the

subscribing witnesses thereto is dead. And it is further proved by the oath and examination of the said J. M. Phillips that he is well acquainted with the handwriting of Thos. C. Phillips, having often seen him write and that the signature of Thos. C. Phillips as a subscribing witness to the last will and testament of D. Hoots, dated Dec. 31-1897, is the genuine signature of Thos. C. Phillips.

And it is also proved by the oath and examination of J. M. Phillips that he is well acquainted with the handwriting of D. Hoots, having often seen him sign his name and that his signature to a paper writing purporting to be his last will and testament dated, Dec. 31, 1897, is his genuine signature.

This Dec. 18-1902.

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

North Carolina }
Gaston County } on 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 D. Hoots, deceased.

Let the said will, together with the probate be recorded and filed - This 18 day of Dec. 1902.

W. A. Hall
Clerk Sup. Court.

State of North Carolina }
Gaston County } on the Sup. Court.

A paper purporting to be a Codicil to the last will and testament of D. Hoots deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned, clerk of the Superior Court for said County, by Francis M. Danner, the executor therein mentioned and the due execution thereof by the said D. Hoots by the oath and examination of Francis M. Danner, the subscribing witnesses thereto, who being duly sworn doth depose and says that he is a subscribing witness to the Codicil a paper writing now shown him, purporting to be a Codicil to the last will and testament of D. Hoots; that the said D. Hoots in the presence of this deponent subscribed his name at the end of said Codicil, a paper writing which is now shown as aforesaid.

And the deponent further saith, that the said D. Hoots

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 a Codicil to his last will and testament and this deponent did thereupon subscribe his name at the end of said Codicil 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 Codicil of said last will as aforesaid, and at the time of the deponent subscribing his name as an attesting witness thereto, as aforesaid, the said D. Hoots 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.

F. M. Danner

Sworn and subscribed,
this, 18 day of Dec. 1902,
before me. W. A. Hall, Clerk
Superior Court }

North Carolina }
Gaston County }

J. M. Phillips being duly sworn says, that he is well acquainted with the handwriting of D. Hoots, having often seen him sign his name and his signature to the Codicil of a paper writing purporting to be his last will and testament is his genuine signature.

J. M. Phillips

Sworn & subscribed to before
me, this the 18 day of Dec. 1902. }
W. A. Hall, C. S. C. }

North Carolina }
Gaston County }

J. M. Phillips being duly sworn says that he is well acquainted with the handwriting of Thos. C. Phillips, having often seen him write and sign his name and that the signature of the said Thos. C. Phillips as a subscribing witness to the Codicil of the last will and testament of D. Hoots, is the genuine signature of the said Thos. C. Phillips, and the said Thos. C. Phillips is now dead.

J. M. Phillips

Sworn & subscribed to before
me, this the 18 day of Dec. 1902. }
W. A. Hall, C. S. C. }