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### PROOF OF WILL

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,  
ABBEVILLE COUNTY.

IN THE COURT OF PROBATE

By Abraham B. Canale, Esq., Judge of Probate for said County.

Personally appears Russ Mundy, who, being duly sworn, says that he saw F. H. Lark sign, seal, publish and declare the annexed instrument of writing, bearing date the 8<sup>th</sup> day of October, A. D. 1932 to be and contain his Last Will and Testament; that the said F. H. Lark

was then of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, according to the best of deponent's knowledge and belief; and that the said Russ Mundy (Deponent)

together with Elizabeth Hyman and James P. Nickles at the request of the testator in his presence, and in the presence of each other, witnessed the due execution thereof.

Sworn to before me, this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of May, Anno Domini 1934  
Abraham B. Canale  
Judge of Probate, Abbeville County, S. C.

Russ Mundy  
(Deponent)

### ORDER ADMITTING WILL TO PROBATE IN COMMON FORM

On hearing the above petition of R. B. McVie it is hereby ordered, adjudged and decreed, That the petition be granted and the said Last Will and Testament, with codicil of F. H. Lark, deceased, be entered of Probate in Common Form.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court of Probate, this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of May, 1934  
Abraham B. Canale  
Judge of Court of Probate, Abbeville County, S. C.

### QUALIFICATION FIDUCIARY

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,  
ABBEVILLE COUNTY.

I do solemnly swear, that this writing contains the true Last Will of the within named F. H. Lark deceased, so far as I know or believe; and that I will well and truly execute the same, by paying first the debts, and then the legacies contained in the said Will, as far as his goods and chattels will thereunto extend and the law charge me, and that I will make a true and perfect inventory of all such goods and chattels; So help me God.

Sworn to before me, this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of May, Anno Domini 1934  
Abraham B. Canale  
Judge of Probate, Abbeville Co., S. C.

R. B. McVie  
Due West, South Carolina

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,  
COUNTY OF ABBEVILLE.

The Last Will and Testament of:

F. H. Leaks.

I, F. H. Leaks, formerly of Due West, in the County and State aforesaid, but now of Goldville, in the County of Laurens, in the State aforesaid, being of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, but mindful of the uncertainty of life and desiring to make disposition of my property in the event of death do hereby make, publish and declare the following as and for my last will and testament, hereby revoking all will and dispositions of a testamentary nature heretofore made by me.

1. I direct that all of my just debts, funeral expenses, and expenses of my last illness be paid by my Executor hereinafter named as soon after my death as may be practicable.

2. I will, devise and bequeath to my three children, Fannie Leaks Williford, Frank Leaks and Annie Leaks Cooper, each, the sum of fifty (\$50.00) dollars, the child, or children, of any deceased child to take the part the parent would have taken if living.

3. I have neither seen nor heard of my said son, Frank Leaks, for quite a number of years and I am not sure whether he is now living or not. However, should either he nor any of his children be heard from within two years from the date of my death I direct that the sum of money willed to him be equally divided between my two surviving children, the said Fannie Leaks Williford, and the said Annie Leaks Cooper. In the meantime I direct my Executor, should my said son or any of his children appear to claim the money willed to my said son by the time my Executor is ready to wind up my estate, that said sum of money be deposited in the name of my Estate at interest in some good bank and to remain there for two years following the date of my death and at the end of that time if not claimed by my son or his children, if any, that the same be turned over to my two surviving children in equal portions.

4. I hereby will and direct my Executor hereinafter named to turn over to the Trustees of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church, Due West, South Carolina, the sum of one hundred (\$100.00) dollars, the income from which shall be used by said Church in covering the plot in the cemetery of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church, Due West, South Carolina, where I and the members of my family are buried in good shape.

5. All the balance and the residue of my property of every nature and kind of which I may die seized and possessed, I will, devise and bequeath to my niece, Mrs. Lizzie Craft, and her daughter, Miss Sadie Allaway of Goldville in Laurens County, South Carolina.

6. For the past thirty years I have lived alone in the town of Due West, in the County and State aforesaid, and until my health gave away, worked as a printer in the office of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian, but for the past eight months being unable to any longer earn a livelihood by my usual work, and being unable to administer to my physical needs and it not being convenient for either of my said children to give me a home with them I have been forced to accept the invitation of my said niece, Mrs. Lizzie Craft and my grand niece, Sadie Allaway, to make my home with them as I had no other place to go.

For the past six months they have given me a home and have administered to all my needs and comforts and assure me that it will be their pleasure to continue to administer unto me for the balance of my life. I feel, therefore, that they should receive the major portion of my estate to help compensate them for my board and care-keep during the declining years of my life. I make this statement in explanation of the fact that I am not making in affection for my children but that I should compensate those who have and expressed the willingness to continue to go to the expense of board and administering unto me during the balance of my life.

I hereby nominate, constitute and appoint P. B. Cook, Will of Due West, Abbeville County, South Carolina, as sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 8<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1932.  
F. H. Leaks (Seal)

Recorded May 23, 1934

Signed, sealed, published & declared by F. H. Leaks in the presence of Elizabeth Hannon & F. H. Leaks in the presence of Mrs. Lizzie Craft, and in the presence of P. B. Cook, Will of Due West, Abbeville County, South Carolina, as and for his last will and testament in the presence of said witnesses signed on marked on standing witness.

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### PROOF OF WILL

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,  
ABBEVILLE COUNTY.

IN THE COURT OF PROBATE

By Adrian B. Carule, Esq., Judge of Probate for said County.

Personally appears (Miss) May Perrin, who, being duly sworn, says that she saw John W. (William) Simpson sign, seal, publish and declare the annexed instrument of writing, bearing date the 29 day of May, A. D. 1929 to be and contain his Last Will and Testament; that the said John W. (William) Simpson was then of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, according to the best of deponent's knowledge and belief; and that the said (Miss) May Perrin (Deponent) together with J. A. McCarty and W. M. Bowie at the request of the testator in his presence, and in the presence of each other, witnessed the due execution thereof.

Sworn to before me, this 24<sup>th</sup> day of May, Anno Domini 1934  
Adrian B. Carule } (Miss) May Perrin (Deponent)  
Judge of Probate, Abbeville County, So. Car.

### ORDER ADMITTING WILL TO PROBATE IN COMMON FORM

On hearing the above petition of William Robert Hagen it is hereby ordered, adjudged and decreed, That the petition be granted and the said Last Will and Testament, with codicil of John W. (William) Hagen, deceased, be entered of Probate in Common Form.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court of Probate, this 24<sup>th</sup> day of May, 1934.  
Adrian B. Carule  
Judge of Court of Probate, Abbeville County, So. Car.

### QUALIFICATION FIDUCIARY

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,  
ABBEVILLE COUNTY.

I do solemnly swear, that this writing contains the true Last Will of the within named John W. (William) Simpson deceased, so far as I know or believe; and that I will well and truly execute the same, by paying first the debts, and then the legacies contained in the said Will, as far as his goods and chattels will thereunto extend and the law charge there, and that I will make a true and perfect inventory of all such goods and chattels; So help me God.

Sworn to before me, this 24<sup>th</sup> day of May, Anno Domini 1934  
Adrian B. Carule } William Robert Hagen  
Judge of Probate, Abbeville Co., S. C. 214 Marion St., Greenwood, S. C.

In the name of God, Amen.

I, John W. Simpson, of said State and County, being of sound and disposing mind, but realizing the certainty of death, do make this my last Will and Testament, revoking all previous Wills by me made.

Item 1. I direct my Executor hereinafter named, to pay all my just debts including funeral expenses as soon after my death as possible.

Item 2. I bequeath to my daughter, Anabelle A. Hagen, my grand-son Carl C. Hagen, my grand daughter Katie B. Hagen, my grand-son John Allen Hagen and my grand-son Robert Wm. Hagen, all property of every kind and nature, which I may be seized at the time of my death, whether real or personal, they to share alike in the distribution. Should any one of my grand children die before I do, then the share of such child or children to go to his, her or their child or children.

Item 3. I hereby appoint my grand-son Robert William Hagen, Executor of this my last Will and Testament.

Signed, published and declared by the Testator as his last Will and Testament in our presence, and we at his request, and in his presence and in the presence of each other, have hereunto signed our names as witnesses thereto.

Mary Perin }  
S. A. McCarty } Witnesses  
W. M. Bowie }

John W. X Simpson,  
marks

May 27, 1929

## PROOF OF WILL

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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,  
ABBEVILLE COUNTY.

IN THE COURT OF PROBATE

By Hewey L. Foster, Esq., Judge of Probate for said County.Personally appears R. F. Phifer, 136 Mills Ave., Spartanburg, S.C., who, being duly sworn, says that hesaw Miss. Lou Tufts sign, seal, publish and declare the annexed instrumentof writing, bearing date the 12<sup>th</sup> day of April, A. D. 1909 to beand contain her Last Will and Testament; that the said Miss. Lou Tufts

was then of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, according to

the best of deponent's knowledge and belief; and that the said R. F. Phifer (Deponent)together with H. R. Justice, formerly of Spartanburg; present address 3507 12<sup>th</sup> St. N.W. Washington, D.C. and H. L. Deom, formerly of Spartanburg, now of Haskella, S.C. at the requestof the testator in her presence, and in the presence of each other, witnessed the due execution thereof.Sworn to before me, this 7<sup>th</sup> day ofJune, Anno Domini 1934.Hewey L. Foster  
Judge of Probate, Abbeville County, So. Car.  
SpartanburgRobert F. Phifer

(Deponent)

## ORDER ADMITTING WILL TO PROBATE IN COMMON FORM

On hearing the above petition of Dr. B. H. Carlton, Donalds, S.C.

it is hereby ordered, adjudged and decreed, That the petition be granted and the said Last Will and Testament, with codicil

of Miss. Lou Tufts, deceased, be entered of Probate in Common Form.Given under my hand and the seal of the Court of Probate, this 8<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1934.Addison B. Carville  
Judge of Court of Probate, Abbeville County, So. Car.

## QUALIFICATION FIDUCIARY

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,  
ABBEVILLE COUNTY.

I do solemnly swear, that this writing contains the true Last Will of the within named

Miss. Lou Tufts deceased, so far as I know or believe;

and that I will well and truly execute the same, by paying first the debts, and then the legacies contained in

the said Will, as far as my goods and chattels will thereunto extend and the law charge me, and

that I will make a true and perfect inventory of all such goods and chattels;

So help me God.Sworn to before me, this 8<sup>th</sup> day ofJune, Anno Domini 1934.Addison B. Carville  
Judge of Probate, Abbeville Co., S. C.Dr. B. H. CarltonDonalds, S.C.

Spartanburg COUNTY

I, Martha Louisiana Tufts, the youngest child of Francis and Mary P. Tufts late of Jones County, state of Georgia, being of sound and disposing mind and memory do make this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking and annulling all others, by me, heretofore made.

Item I I desire and direct that my body be buried in a manner suitable to my circumstances and condition in life.

To defray the expenses of my burial I have, in a box in my trunk, fifty dollars in specie, in Southern Trust Co., of Spartanburg South Carolina, fifty dollars, with interest from date of deposit.

I also have one note of one hundred dollars and one share of Donalds Mill stock. I direct that only so much of the above named sums as will be necessary be used for my burial.

Item II At the time of the marriage of each of my nephews and nieces except those I now mention, I gave a small token of my love in a piece of sterling silver.

I direct that my three nieces Minnie Sammons, Alice M. Cullough, Annie M. Cullough, my two nephews Sam M. Cullough and Arthur Tufts be given a token to cost six dollars to make them equal with the others. Should either of the above mentioned nieces or nephews be married and be remembered by me during my life time with such a token, I direct that they do not receive one after my death.

Item III Because my two nephews Robert Barry Tufts and Arthur Tufts and my two nieces Nellie Wilson Barnes and Annie Lou Tufts Carlton have so generously contributed to my support, to reimburse them for their goodness to me, I will and Bequeath to them or to their children, should they die leaving children of their own, all of my estate consisting of my clothing, bedding, furniture, china, silver, jewelry or anything known to be mine that may not be enumerated in this Will.

I Will and Bequeath to Robert Barry Tufts, Arthur Tufts, Nellie Wilson Barnes and Annie Lou Tufts Carlton all property of every kind inherited by and Bequeathed to me in the last Will and Testament of my father and the last Will and Testament of my mother, Francis and Mary P. Tufts late of Jones County, State of Georgia. This includes my portion of land known as the "bardard place" and enough more to make my portion equal to that of the other Legates of my father. I also have an interest in some undivided lots at Indian Spring, County of Butts, State of Georgia. To the Legates herein named I will and Bequeath all and singular the Property of every kind, both real and personal, of which I may be possessed at the date of my death or should be entitled to from any source now unknown to me or any losses by the Civil War, being a minor, I should not have sustained.

Should one of these Legates die without children the share coming to that one shall revert to the others.

I hereby constitute and appoint my nephew Arthur Tufts and niece Nellie Wilson Barnes Executor and Executrix of this my last Will and Testament and hereby confirming upon them the power of such Executor & administer my Estate, issuing them from giving any bond or making any Returns to the Ordinary and relieving them from filing an Inventory. Confirming upon them full power authority to sell any part of my Estate at Public or Private

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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,   
 ABBEVILLE COUNTY.

IN THE COURT OF PROBATE

By Adrian B. Canale, Esq., Judge of Probate for said County.

Personally appears E. C. Donald, who, being duly sworn, says that he saw Miss Lou Jufko sign, seal, publish and declare the annexed instrument of writing, bearing date the 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, A. D. 1927 to be and contain a codicil to her Last Will and Testament; that the said Miss Lou Jufko was then of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, according to

the best of deponent's knowledge and belief; and that the said E. C. Donald (Deponent) together with J. J. Davis and J. J. Johnson at the request of the testatrix in her presence, and in the presence of each other, witnessed the due execution thereof.

Sworn to before me, this 8<sup>th</sup> day of June, Anno Domini 1934   
 Adrian B. Canale   
 Judge of Probate, Abbeville County, So. Car.

E. C. Donald   
 Donald, E. C. (Deponent)

ORDER ADMITTING WILL TO PROBATE IN COMMON FORM

On hearing the above petition of Dr. B. H. Carlton it is hereby ordered, adjudged and decreed, That the petition be granted and the said Last Will and Testament, with codicil of Miss Lou Jufko deceased, be entered of Probate in Common Form.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court of Probate, this 8<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1934   
 Adrian B. Canale   
 Judge of Court of Probate, Abbeville County, So. Car.

QUALIFICATION FIDUCIARY

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,   
 ABBEVILLE COUNTY.

J do solemnly swear, that this writing contains the true Last Will of the within named Miss Lou Jufko deceased, so far as J know or believe; and that J will well and truly execute the same, by paying first the debts, and then the legacies contained in the said Will, as far as my goods and chattels will thereunto extend and the law charge me, and that J will make a true and perfect inventory of all such goods and chattels; So help me God.

Sworn to before me, this 8<sup>th</sup> day of June, Anno Domini 1934   
 Adrian B. Canale   
 Judge of Probate, Abbeville Co., S. C.

Dr. B. H. Carlton,   
 Donald, E. C.

sale, with or without notice as <sup>THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA.</sup> they may <sup>deem best, with</sup> <sup>The Last Will and Testament of:</sup> out any order of Court here by ~~obtaining~~ sufficient money for the payment of any debt that may be incurred in a last illness. I Will and direct that my Estate be divided in kind between the four Legates herein named if they so desire it after the payment of all just debts. If my Property cannot be divided in kind, I hereby direct my Executors to sell said Property under the terms and condition is hereinbefore set out in this item, and divide the proceeds arising from such sale or sales equally between the Legates named in Item III of this my last Will and Testament.

This twelfth day of April, 1909.

Martha Louisiana Tufts

Signed, Sealed, Declared and Published by Martha Louisiana Tufts, as her last Will and Testament, in the presence of us the undersigned, who subscribe our names hereto in the presence of said Testatrix, after she had signed her name thereto, at her special instance and request and in the presence of each other

W. C. Justice  
Robert F. Pfifer  
W. L. Leom

(Codicil)

Whereas, I Martha Louisiana Tufts, of Donalds, County of Abbeville, State of South Carolina, did on 12<sup>th</sup> day of April 1909 make my last will and testament of that date, and do hereby declare this to be a codicil to the same.

I hereby ratify and conform said will in every respect, save so far as any part of it is inconsistent with this codicil.

I hereby constitute and appoint Dr. B. K. Carlton of Donalds, S. C., as Executor in the place of the ones named in will. Arthur Tufts one of the parties named as Executor having died since the time the will was made.

I hereby revoke a will made later than this by Bob Blackman of Atlanta, Ga., about 1923 and direct that this will dated April 12<sup>th</sup>, 1909 stand as my last will and testament with the above change.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal, this 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, Nineteen hundred and twenty-seven.

Martha Louisiana Tufts (L. S.)

Signed, Sealed and declared by the said Martha Louisiana Tufts to be a codicil to her last will and testament in the presence of us, who at her request and in her presence, and in presence of each other, have hereto subscribed our names as witnesses.

L. J. Davis  
J. T. Johnson  
C. C. Donald



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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,  
ABBEVILLE COUNTY.

IN THE COURT OF PROBATE

By Addison B. Carville, Esq., Judge of Probate for said County.

Personally appears Lucie Mabry, who, being duly sworn, says that she saw G. R. Martin sign, seal, publish and declare the annexed instrument of writing, bearing date the 30th day of March, A. D. 1929 to be and contain his Last Will and Testament; that the said G. R. Martin was then of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, according to

the best of deponent's knowledge and belief; and that the said Lucie Mabry (Deponent) together with J. D. Mars and J. More Mars at the request of the testator in his presence, and in the presence of each other, witnessed the due execution thereof.

Sworn to before me, this 16th day of June, Anno Domini 1934.  
Addison B. Carville Judge of Probate, Abbeville County, So. Car. } Lucie Mabry (Deponent)

ORDER ADMITTING WILL TO PROBATE IN COMMON FORM

On hearing the above petition of Edmond Thomas Martin it is hereby ordered, adjudged and decreed, That the petition be granted and the said Last Will and Testament, with codicil, of G. R. Martin, deceased, be entered of Probate in Common Form.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court of Probate, this 16th day of June, 1934.  
Addison B. Carville  
Judge of Court of Probate, Abbeville County, So. Car.

QUALIFICATION FIDUCIARY

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,  
ABBEVILLE COUNTY.

I do solemnly swear, that this writing contains the true Last Will of the within named G. R. Martin deceased, so far as I know or believe; and that I will well and truly execute the same, by paying first the debts, and then the legacies contained in the said Will, as far as his goods and chattels will thereunto extend and the law charge me and that I will make a true and perfect inventory of all such goods and chattels; So help me God.

Sworn to before me, this 16th day of June, Anno Domini 1934.  
Addison B. Carville Judge of Probate, Abbeville Co., S. C. } Edmond Thomas Martin  
Temporary Address:  
Box 217, Charlotte, N. C.

In the name of God, Amen: -

I, *S. R. Martin*, of the County and State aforesaid, do make, ordain, publish and declare this my last Will and Testament, here by revoking all wills and instruments of a testamentary nature heretofore by me made.

I will and direct that my Executor, hereinafter named, shall pay all of my just debts with the first money coming into his hands.

I will, devise and bequeath all of my property, of whatsoever kind and wheresoever situate, real and personal, unto my beloved wife, *Maggie E. Martin*, for life, for her sole use and benefit, and at her death, I will, devise and bequeath all of my property, of whatsoever kind and wheresoever situate, real and personal, unto my son, *Edmond Thomas Martin*, in fee simple absolute.

It is not my intention that my daughter, *Clara Watkins* and my sons, *Robert H. Martin* and *Walter M. Martin* shall receive anything whatsoever from my said estate, and I have therefore made no provisions whatsoever for them or either of them in this my said last Will and Testament.

I hereby nominate, constitute, and appoint my son, *Edmond Thomas Martin*, Executor of this my last Will and Testament.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 20<sup>th</sup> day of March, 1929.

Signed, sealed, published, and declared by *S. R. Martin* as and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of us, who in his presence, and of each other, at his request have subscribed our names as witnesses.

*S. R. Martin (T.S.)*

*Susie Mabry*  
*J. S. Mars*  
*J. More Mars*

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PROOF OF WILL

THE STATE OF <sup>Indiana</sup> SOUTH CAROLINA,  
Singer ~~Abbeville~~ COUNTY.

IN THE COURT OF <sup>Circuit</sup> PROBATE  
~~in Probate~~ <sup>in Probate</sup> ~~Abbeville~~ <sup>Abbeville</sup>

By \_\_\_\_\_, Esq., Judge of Probate for said County.

Personally appears Ernest E. Mendenhall, who, being duly sworn, says that he saw (Mrs.) Mary Jefferson (Walker) Ruff sign, seal, publish and declare the annexed instrument of writing, bearing date the 6<sup>th</sup> day of December, A. D. 1918 to be and contain Rev Last Will and Testament; that the said (Mrs.) Mary Jefferson (Walker) Ruff was then of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, according to the best of deponent's knowledge and belief; and that the said Ernest E. Mendenhall (Deponent) together with Michael J. Stahl and (only two witnesses re-quested in State of Indiana) at the request of the testatrix in Rev presence, and in the presence of each other, witnessed the due execution thereof.

Sworn to before me, this 30<sup>th</sup> day of

Mary, Anno Domini 1934  
Parker D. Hankam, Singer County, Ark.  
Clerk of Circuit Court.

Ernest E. Mendenhall (Deponent)

ORDER ADMITTING WILL TO PROBATE IN COMMON FORM  
State of South Carolina, County of Abbeville

On hearing the above petition of Rev. Horace Ruff, it is hereby ordered, adjudged and decreed, That the petition be granted and the said Last Will and Testament, with codicil of Mrs. Mary Jefferson (Walker) Ruff, deceased, be entered of Probate in Common Form.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court of Probate, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1934

Adrian B. Carville  
Judge of Court of Probate, Abbeville County, So. Car.

QUALIFICATION FIDUCIARY

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,  
ABBEVILLE COUNTY.

I do solemnly swear, that this writing contains the true Last Will of the within named Mrs. Mary Jefferson (Walker) Ruff deceased, so far as I know or believe; and that I will well and truly execute the same, by paying first the debts, and then the legacies contained in the said Will, as far as Rev goods and chattels will thereunto extend and the law charge me, and that I will make a true and perfect inventory of all such goods and chattels; So help me God.

Sworn to before me, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of

Adl. B. Carville  
Judge of Probate, Abbeville Co., S. C.

Rev. Horace Ruff,  
1ue West, S. C.

(Mrs) Mary Jefferson (Walker) Ralt.

I, Mary Jefferson (Walker) Ralt of Sipton County, State of Indiana, being of sound and disposing mind and memory and realizing the uncertainty of human life, do make, publish and declare this to be my last will and testament, hereby revoking all former wills by me made.

- Item 1. I direct that all my just debts be first paid.
- Item 2. I give devise and bequeath to my husband Horace Ralt, all my property, both real and personal absolutely and in fee simple.
- Item 3. I hereby constitute my husband Horace Ralt, the executor of this my last will and testament, and I hereby authorize and empower him to settle my estate without taking out letters of administration in court and without giving bond for the performance of his trust.

Witness my hand and seal this 6<sup>th</sup> day of December, 1918.

Mary Jefferson (Walker) Ralt (Seal).

Signed, sealed and acknowledged by said Mary Jefferson (Walker) Ralt, as and for her last will and testament in your presence, with, at her request, in her presence and in the presence of each other have subscribed our names as witnesses thereto this 6<sup>th</sup> day of December, 1918.

Emery E. Mendenhall.  
Michael J. Steil.

Recorded June 18<sup>th</sup>, 1934.

State of South Carolina }  
County of Abbeville. } To: Addison B. Canale, Judge of Probate.  
To: Parker W. Junham, Clerk of the Circuit Court.  
Sipton County, Indiana.

I, reposing especial trust and confidence in the integrity, care, and circumspection of you, the said Parker W. Junham, Clerk of Circuit Court, Sipton County, Indiana, have given, and by these presents do give unto you full power and authority to examine Witness Emery E. Mendenhall, to the last will and testament of (Mrs) Mary Jefferson (Walker) Ralt, formerly of Sipton County, Indiana, late of Abbeville County, State of South Carolina, deceased, upon his corporal oath, to be taken on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God, in open Court, touching the due execution thereof, according to the form of the statute in that case made and provided. And a due return of you things herein you are to make and give under your hand and seal, for my approbation or disallowance.

Given under my hand and seal, this 9<sup>th</sup> day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-four, and in the one hundred and fifty-eight year of American Independence.  
Addison B. Canale -  
Judge of Probate.

The State of Indiana, }  
Sipton County, } on the Circuit Court.

I do hereby certify, that in virtue of the annexed edimus, I did duly examine the witness Emery E. Mendenhall, to the last will and testament of (Mrs) Mary Jefferson (Walker) Ralt deceased, according to law.  
Given under my hand and seal, this 30<sup>th</sup> day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-four, in the one hundred and fifty-eight year of American Independence.

Parker W. Junham, Clerk of the Circuit Court.

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### PROOF OF WILL

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,  
ABBEVILLE COUNTY.

IN THE COURT OF PROBATE

By Ad. B. Canale, Esq., Judge of Probate for said County.

Personally appears J. H. Jordan, who, being duly sworn, says that he saw W. R. Dunn sign, seal, publish and declare the annexed instrument of writing, bearing date the 4<sup>th</sup> day of March, A. D. 1924 to be and contain his Last Will and Testament; that the said W. R. Dunn was then of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, according to

the best of deponent's knowledge and belief; and that the said J. H. Jordan (Deponent) together with C. S. Bowie and B. H. Smith at the request of the testator in his presence, and in the presence of each other, witnessed the due execution thereof.

Sworn to before me, this 24<sup>th</sup> day of July, Anno Domini 1934. }  
Ad. B. Canale Judge of Probate, Abbeville County, S. C. } J. H. Jordan (Deponent)

### ORDER ADMITTING WILL TO PROBATE IN COMMON FORM

On hearing the above petition of J. R. Dunn (John R. Dunn) it is hereby ordered, adjudged and decreed, That the petition be granted and the said Last Will and Testament, with codicil of W. R. Dunn, deceased, be entered of Probate in Common Form.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court of Probate, this 24<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1934.  
Ad. B. Canale  
Judge of Court of Probate, Abbeville County, S. C.

### QUALIFICATION FIDUCIARY

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,  
ABBEVILLE COUNTY.

J do solemnly swear, that this writing contains the true Last Will of the within named W. R. Dunn deceased, so far as J know or believe; and that J will well and truly execute the same, by paying first the debts, and then the legacies contained in the said Will, as far as his goods and chattels will thereunto extend and the law charge me, and that J will make a true and perfect inventory of all such goods and chattels; So help me God.

Sworn to before me, this 24<sup>th</sup> day of July, Anno Domini 1934. }  
Ad. B. Canale Judge of Probate, Abbeville Co., S. C. } J. B. Dunn  
Shoals Junction, S. C.

In the name of God, Amen.

I, W. R. Dunn, of the State and County aforesaid being of sound mind and under standing, and disposing memory do make and declare the following to be my last will and testament revoking any former wills I may have made.

- 1<sup>st</sup>. I will that all of my just debts be paid.
- 2<sup>d</sup>. I will my wife, Hilda Co. Dunn, the home in the town of Donalds, S.C. containing 20 acres, more or less, represented by plat bounded by C. & S. R. Road on East by Public Highway and Mrs. Allen on South, North East by Wm. Denny + W. R. Dunn, together with the buildings thereon during her life, and at her death to be sold and divided equally between my five children, L. Bermore Dunn + J. R. Dunn, Eliza D. Carlile and Kate May McGill, H. M. Dunn or their representatives.
- 3<sup>d</sup>. I give and bequeath to John R. Dunn the two rooms, side rooms with safe and all fixtures there in formerly belonging to Agnes + Malvin.
- 4<sup>th</sup>. I desire that my wife have two thousand dollars out of the insurance that I have on my life.
- 5<sup>th</sup>. I desire and bequeath that L. B. Dunn shall have one thousand dollars out of my estate + J. R. Dunn the like amount and that I desire that Herbert M. Dunn have two thousand (\$2000.00) dollars out of my estate.
- 6<sup>th</sup>. I desire that my two daughters shall have one thousand dollars each and that every residue, if there be any, be divided equally between all of my five children. I desire that the two insurance policies be not accounted to them.
- 7<sup>th</sup>. I hereby appoint L. B. Dunn as my Executor and J. R. Dunn as advisory and as to the two thousand dollars be bequeathed to my wife should not live said amount should return to my estate and be divided between my five children. Witness my hand and seal.

W. R. Dunn (L.S.)

Witnessed:  
C. O. Bowie  
J. H. Gordon  
B. H. Smith

March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1924.

Rec. July 26<sup>th</sup>, 1934.

Donald N.P.S.C. Attended to

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### PROOF OF WILL

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,  
ABBEVILLE COUNTY.

IN THE COURT OF PROBATE

By Ad B. Carville, Esq., Judge of Probate for said County.

Personally appears C. W. Tribble, who, being duly sworn, says that he

saw Rob. W. Drake sign, seal, publish and declare the annexed instrument

of writing, bearing date the 10th day of November, A. D. 1897 to be

and contain his Last Will and Testament; that the said Rob. W. Drake

was then of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, according to

the best of deponent's knowledge and belief; and that the said C. W. Tribble (Deponent)

together with L. A. Shannon and J. M. Humphries at the request

of the testator in his presence, and in the presence of each other, witnessed the due execution thereof.

Sworn to before me, this 6th day of Sept, Anno Domini 1934

E. C. Donald  
Judge of Probate, Abbeville Co., S. C.

C. W. Tribble  
(Deponent)

### ORDER ADMITTING WILL TO PROBATE IN COMMON FORM

On hearing the above petition of J. V. Pruitt

it is hereby ordered, adjudged and decreed, That the petition be granted and the said Last Will and Testament, with codicil

of Rob. W. Drake, deceased, be entered of Probate in Common Form.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court of Probate, this 8th day of Sept, 1934

Ad B. Carville  
Judge of Court of Probate, Abbeville County, S. C.

### QUALIFICATION FIDUCIARY

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,  
ABBEVILLE COUNTY.

We do solemnly swear, that this writing contains the true Last Will of the within named

Rob. W. Drake deceased, so far as we know or believe;

and that we will well and truly execute the same, by paying first the debts, and then the legacies contained in

the said Will, as far as his goods and chattels will thereunto extend and the law charge us, and

that we will make a true and perfect inventory of all such goods and chattels;

So help us God.

Sworn to before me, this 15<sup>th</sup> day of Sept, Anno Domini 1934

Ad B. Carville  
Judge of Probate, Abbeville Co., S. C.

J. V. Pruitt  
D. F. Duvall

In the name of God, Amen -

I Robert H. Drake, of the county of Abbeville, and state of South Carolina, being of sound mind and memory, do make and publish this my last will and testament.

I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Mary C. Drake during her life provided that she remains unmarried, all my property consisting of one hundred & three (103) acres land together with stock, farming implements wagon, buggy & household goods, but on her decease or marriage I give and devise to my children an equal interest in my estate that is to say -

Minnie Janet one share; Mattie Elzoi one share; Rosa Lee one share; Pearl Vasti one share; Synthia Eugenia one share; James William one share; Robert Reid one share; Edward Franklin one share; Ruth one share; John Harvey one share to be divided in equal shares between all my above named children that are living.

I do nominate and appoint my brother F. Franklin Drake to be my sole Executor of this my last will and testament.

In testimony whereof, I hereunto set my hand and seal, and publish and decree this to be my last will and testament, in presence of the witnesses named below, this 16<sup>th</sup> day of Nov. A. D., 1897.

(L.S.) Rob. H. Drake

Signed, sealed, and declared published by the said Robert H. Drake as and for his last Will and Testament in presence of us, who, at his request and in his presence, and in the presence of each other, have subscribed our names as witnesses thereto:

C. H. Tribble      Donalds }  
L. A. Shannon      "      }  
U. M. Humphreys      "      }



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PROOF OF WILL

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,  
ABBEVILLE COUNTY.

IN THE COURT OF PROBATE

By Adrian B. Canale, Esq., Judge of Probate for said County.

Personally appears R. B. McJie, who, being duly sworn, says that he saw James E. Todd sign, seal, publish and declare the annexed instrument of writing, bearing date the 8<sup>th</sup> day of February, A. D. 1921 to be and contain his Last Will and Testament; that the said James E. Todd was then of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, according to

the best of deponent's knowledge and belief; and that the said R. B. McJie (Deponent)

together with F. J. Presley and R. Holden Kennedy at the request of the testator in his presence, and in the presence of each other, witnessed the due execution thereof.

Sworn to before me, this 5<sup>th</sup> day of September, Anno Domini 1934  
Adrian B. Canale Judge of Probate, Abbeville County, S. C. } R. B. McJie (Deponent)

ORDER ADMITTING WILL TO PROBATE IN COMMON FORM

On hearing the above petition of James E. Todd, it is hereby ordered, adjudged and decreed, That the petition be granted and the said Last Will and Testament, with codicil of James E. Todd, deceased, be entered of Probate in Common Form.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court of Probate, this 5<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1934  
Adrian B. Canale Judge of Court of Probate, Abbeville County, S. C.

QUALIFICATION FIDUCIARY

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,  
ABBEVILLE COUNTY.

I do solemnly swear, that this writing contains the true Last Will of the within named James E. Todd deceased, so far as I know or believe; and that I will well and truly execute the same, by paying first the debts, and then the legacies contained in the said Will, as far as his goods and chattels will thereunto extend and the law charge me, and that I will make a true and perfect inventory of all such goods and chattels; So help me God.

Sworn to before me, this 5<sup>th</sup> day of September, Anno Domini 1934  
Adrian B. Canale Judge of Probate, Abbeville Co., S. C. } Hattie N. Todd  
Due West, S. C.

James E. Todd.

I, James E. Todd, of the above named State and County declare this to be my last will and testament.

1st. I direct the prompt payment of all my debts including my funeral expenses.

2d. I give, bequeath, and devise all of my other property real and personal, of whatsoever value or kind and wheresoever situated, to my beloved wife Hattie N. Todd in trust for her own use during widowhood in providing a comfortable support for herself; with full power to dispose of any and all of my real and personal estate, at such time and upon such terms and such manner as she may deem best for all concerned, but it is hereby provided in case my wife should marry again then all of my estate personal and real shall be divided between my wife and children Eunice and Clarks, Robert Calvin Green, John Young, Elizabeth Jone, James Rogers, Charles Strong, and Eleanor Euphemia my children each receiving a share and share alike, that is my wife to receive a full child's part.

3d. I hereby appoint my beloved wife Hattie N. Todd to be the executrix and trustee of this my last will but if she should marry again it is my will that she shall at once cease to act as such trustee.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the Eighth day of February A.D. Nineteen Hundred and Twenty-one.

James E. Todd (S.S.)

Signed, sealed and declared by the said James E. Todd to be his last will and testament in the presence of us, who at his request and in his presence have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses, this the Eighth day of February A.D. Nineteen Hundred and Twenty-one.

R. B. McMill (S.S.)  
F. N. Presely (S.S.)  
A. Elden Kennedy (S.S.)

Rec. Sept. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1934

## PROOF OF WILL

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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,  
ABBEVILLE COUNTY.

IN THE COURT OF PROBATE

By Adrian B. Canale, Esq., Judge of Probate for said County.

Personally appears (Mina) Mary Perrin, who, being duly sworn, says that she saw Susie E. Sanders sign, seal, publish and declare the annexed instrument of writing, bearing date the 11<sup>th</sup> day of June, A. D. 1934 to be and contain her Last Will and Testament; that the said

Susie E. Sanders was then of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, according to the best of deponent's knowledge and belief; and that the said Mary Perrin (Deponent) together with J. L. Perrin and R. K. McKangie at the request of the testatrix in her presence, and in the presence of each other, witnessed the due execution thereof.

Sworn to before me, this 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, Anno Domini 1934  
Adrian B. Canale  
Judge of Probate, Abbeville County, S. C.

Mary Perrin  
(Deponent)

## ORDER ADMITTING WILL TO PROBATE IN COMMON FORM

On hearing the above petition of Frank Carter it is hereby ordered, adjudged and decreed, That the petition be granted and the said Last Will and Testament, ~~with codicil~~ of Susie E. Sanders, deceased, be entered of Probate in Common Form.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court of Probate, this 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, 1934

Adrian B. Canale  
Judge of Court of Probate, Abbeville County, S. C.

## QUALIFICATION FIDUCIARY

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,  
ABBEVILLE COUNTY.

I do solemnly swear, that this writing contains the true Last Will of the within named Susie E. Sanders deceased, so far as I know or believe; and that I will well and truly execute the same, by paying first the debts, and then the legacies contained in the said Will, as far as her goods and chattels will thereunto extend and the law charge me, and that I will make a true and perfect inventory of all such goods and chattels; So help me God.

Sworn to before me, this 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, Anno Domini 1934  
Adrian B. Canale  
Judge of Probate, Abbeville Co., S. C.

Frank Carter  
518 East Market St.,  
Anderson, S. C.

Susie E. Sanders

In The Name of God, Amen:

I, Susie E. Sanders, Abbeville City, county and state aforesaid, being of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, do hereby make, publish and declare this to be my last will and testament, hereby revoking all other wills and instruments of a testamentary nature heretofore by me made:

Item I. I will and direct that my funeral expenses be paid and all of my just debts be paid as soon after my death as is practical by my executor hereinafter named, and that the proper marking of my grave be made.

Item II. I will and devise my house and lot, city of Abbeville, on Standpipe Street, in Harrisburg, to Daisy Brooks and Hillie Taylor in fee simple absolute.

Item III. As to the matter of real estate owned by my deceased husband, Jessie Sanders, I have heretofore deeded my undivided interest in such real estate to my step-children, children of my deceased husband, Jessie Sanders, such deed to take effect after my death; but in case I have overlooked anything pertaining to this real estate, that is the real estate owned by my deceased husband, Jessie Sanders, prior to his death, I hereby will and devise ~~and~~ such undivided interest as I may have in any real estate of my deceased husband, Jessie Sanders, or in any real estate of the first wife of Jessie Sanders, deceased, the mother of my step-children, to my four beloved step-children, Jessie Shappy, Christopher Sanders, Ruby Sanders, and Blanche Sanders, in fee simple absolute.

Item IV. There are a number of personal articles in the home of my step-children and myself that belong to me personally. These I will and bequeath to my beloved children, Daisy Brooks and Hillie Taylor. Among these articles are: one dining room set consisting of six chairs, dining table, china closet, serving table and buffet; all glass ware; all dishes, knives, forks and spoons; four rugs, one linoleum mat square, two rocking chairs; one blue iron bed, two mattresses, one feather bed, and two pillows; one wash pot, four smoothing irons, bed clothes, one book case, all books, and hall tree; all of my personal clothing and other personal effects.

Item V. I will, direct, and bequeath that the Prince about bed room suit, this having been given to me by my deceased husband, Jessie Sanders, at the time of our marriage, be divided equally into two parts, division to be in financial value and to be made by three disinterested parties, and one part to be given to my children, Daisy Brooks and Hillie Taylor, and the other part be given to my four step-children named above, the children of my deceased husband.

Item VI. I will and bequeath the radio, as it was given to my deceased husband, Jessie Sanders, by Christopher Sanders, to go back to Christopher Sanders.

Item VII. I will and bequeath to my four step-children, named above, all of the balance, or residuum, of the personalty of our home; among such personalty being other beds, washstands, bureau, bed-clothing, pillows, piano, sofa, hat rack, wash pot, and other articles that may be found about our home.

I hereby nominate and appoint Frank Carter, of Anderson, as executor.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 11<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1934.

Susie E. Sanders

Signed, sealed, published and declared by Susie E. Sanders, as and for her last will and testament in the presence of us, who in her presence and in the presence of each other, and at her request, have subscribed our names as witnesses thereto.

Mary Perrin  
J. L. Perrin  
R. K. M. & Kenzie

PROOF OF WILL

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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, ABBEVILLE COUNTY.

IN THE COURT OF PROBATE

By Addison B. Carule, Esq., Judge of Probate for said County.

Personally appears F.A. Carule, who, being duly sworn, says that he saw James Pratt (J.P.) Carule sign, seal, publish and declare the annexed instrument of writing, bearing date the 31st day of May, A.D. 1934 to be and contain his Last Will and Testament; that the said James Pratt (J.P.) Carule was then of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, according to the best of deponent's knowledge and belief; and that the said F.A. Carule (Deponent) together with Shelma C. Watkins (Mrs.) and (Miss) Estle Watkins at the request of the testator in his presence, and in the presence of each other, witnessed the due execution thereof.

Sworn to before me, this 17th day of November, Anno Domini 1934. Addison B. Carule, Judge of Probate, Abbeville County, So. Car. F.A. Carule (Deponent)

ORDER ADMITTING WILL TO PROBATE IN COMMON FORM

On hearing the above petition of James Mahlon Carule it is hereby ordered, adjudged and decreed, That the petition be granted and the said Last Will and Testament, with codicil, of James Pratt (J.P.) Carule, deceased, be entered of Probate in Common Form.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court of Probate, this 17th day of November, 1934. Addison B. Carule, Judge of Court of Probate, Abbeville County, So. Car.

QUALIFICATION FIDUCIARY

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, ABBEVILLE COUNTY.

We do solemnly swear, that this writing contains the true Last Will of the within named James Pratt (J.P.) Carule deceased, so far as we know or believe; and that we will well and truly execute the same, by paying first the debts, and then the legacies contained in the said Will, as far as his goods and chattels will thereunto extend and the law charge us, and that we will make a true and perfect inventory of all such goods and chattels; So help us God.

Sworn to before me, this 17th day of November, Anno Domini 1934. Addison B. Carule, Judge of Probate, Abbeville Co., S. C. James M. Carule, David Land, P.F., S.C.

Vertical handwritten notes on the right margin: 'I have examined the will and find it to be the true and last will of the testator James Pratt Carule deceased and my wife Josephine Carule deceased and I have signed this my certificate on the 21st day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty four.'

J. P. Caville

I, J. P. Caville, of the County of Aberville, State of South Carolina, being of sound and disposing mind and memory, do make and publish this as my last will and testament.

Item 1. I will and direct that my Executor and Executrix to pay all outstanding debts against my estate, including expenses of my last illness and appropriate tombstone, as shall be hereinafter set forth, my liabilities not to exceed fifty (\$50.00) dollars.

Item 2. I will, devise and bequeath unto my wife, Josephine Caville my present homestead with the two story dwelling, on the West side of the present road, containing 40 acres more or less, beginning at T. A. Cavilles line being a part of A. F. Caville, Sr., homestead, and John H. Haddon land, for and during her natural life. After her decease it shall go to my son Ira Brown Caville, and to his youngest grandchild.

Item 3. I will, devise and bequeath to my son Shelby Martin Caville and his youngest grandchild, that portion of land on the left of present road from my home to Johnsons Creek, containing 30 acres more or less, being a part of original A. F. Caville Sr., land, and the J. H. Brooks place. I will, devise and bequeath to my son Allen Addison Caville and to his youngest grandchild, that portion of land on the right of road from my home to Johnsons Creek, containing 50 acres, more or less, being rectangular in shape running parallel with T. A. Cavilles line established. I will, devise and bequeath to my daughter Sarah Jane Caville, and to her youngest grandchild, that portion of the late Joshua Bailey place, on the left of present road, where the residence now stands containing 20 acres, more or less, the remaining 67 acres, more or less of this Joshua Bailey land on right of road. I direct my Executor and Executrix herein after named, to sell, at public or private sale, and apply the proceeds to any outstanding indebtedness etc. referred to in Item 1. I will, devise and bequeath to my son James Nathan Caville and to his youngest grandchild, 100 acres of the Noffs Beal land where the residence now stands on the Northern side, the remaining 50 acres of this Noffs Beal land shall go to my daughter Sarah Jane Caville, as aforesaid above. I will that all of my beneficiaries mentioned in Item 2 & 3. shall share equal in wood and timber for home use, from the Noffs Beal land but none shall be used for commercial purposes. And I will further that all of my beneficiaries mentioned in Item 2 & 3. shall have the privilege of free pasturage on my home place and the Joshua Bailey place.

Item 4. I hold a mortgage of one thousand (\$1,000.00) dollars on the old Joshua Bailey homestead given by Mary Martin "Colard" and residing there now, if this should remain unpaid at my decease. I direct my Executor and Executrix to sell this land and use the unpaid indebtedness to pay any debts etc. mentioned in Item 1.

Item 5. I direct my Executor and Executrix to pay my son James Nathan Caville out of proceeds of crops of my sons Shelby Martin and Allen Addison Caville one hundred (\$100.00) and fifty dollars each within two years after my decease, and further I give my son Shelby Martin Caville the right to mine my new farm where I now live, or in law thereof my son Ira Brown Caville may pay him one hundred (\$100.00) and fifty dollars within two years after he has reached his twenty first anniversary.

Item 6. Should any of my beneficiaries herein above mentioned, predecease my wife Josephine Caville, and die without issue, I will, that my Executor and Executrix in the case of either son mentioned above shall sell their share of my estate to the highest bidder of my surviving beneficiaries, one third of the purchase price shall go to the widow of the deceased son, the two thirds of purchase price shall be equally divided among my surviving beneficiaries. Should my daughter Sarah Jane Caville die without issue, her share shall revert to my estate, I direct my Executor and Executrix to sell her whole share to the highest bidder among my surviving beneficiaries, and divide the proceeds equally among the surviving beneficiaries.

Item 7. Should any of my beneficiaries become permanently, physically disabled so earn a support, I enjoin upon my surviving beneficiaries, to contribute to the temporal needs of such an one, or they shall forfeit all privileges enumerated herein above.

Item 8. I will that my wife Josephine Caville shall have full right to dispose of my household effects to the children as she sees fit. I direct that all outside personal property shall be appraised and any beneficiary shall have the right to purchase any of said property at appraised value, otherwise it shall be sold to the highest bidder at public sale.

Item 9. I will that a final settlement of my estate may not be made within three years after my decease.

signed, read, published and declared by J. P. Caville as and for his last will and testament, in the presence of us, who in his presence and of each other signed the foregoing and subscribed our names as witnesses.

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### PROOF OF WILL

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,  
ABBEVILLE COUNTY.

IN THE COURT OF PROBATE

By W. W. Stevenson, Esq., Judge of Probate for said County.

Personally appears J. Howard Moore, who, being duly sworn, says that he saw B. B. Bell sign, seal, publish and declare the annexed instrument of writing, bearing date the 11<sup>th</sup> day of November, A. D. 1926 to be and contain his Last Will and Testament; that the said B. B. Bell

was then of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, according to the best of deponent's knowledge and belief; and that the said J. Howard Moore (Deponent) together with W. S. Cunningham and W. H. Bonds at the request of the testator in his presence, and in the presence of each other, witnessed the due execution thereof.

Sworn to before me, this 21<sup>st</sup> day of February, Anno Domini 1927  
W. W. Stevenson } J. Howard Moore (Deponent)  
Judge of Probate, Abbeville County, So. Car.

### ORDER ADMITTING WILL TO PROBATE IN COMMON FORM

On hearing the above petition of J. B. Bell it is hereby ordered, adjudged and decreed, That the petition be granted and the said Last Will and Testament, with codicil of B. B. Bell, deceased, be entered of Probate in Common Form.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court of Probate, this 21<sup>st</sup> day of February, 1927  
W. W. Stevenson  
Judge of Court of Probate, Abbeville County, So. Car.

### QUALIFICATION FIDUCIARY

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,  
ABBEVILLE COUNTY.

J do solemnly swear, that this writing contains the true Last Will of the within named B. B. Bell, deceased, so far as J know or believe; and that J will well and truly execute the same, by paying first the debts, and then the legacies contained in the said Will, as far as his goods and chattels will therunto extend and the law charge me, and that J will make a true and perfect inventory of all such goods and chattels; So help me God.

Sworn to before me, this 21<sup>st</sup> day of February, Anno Domini 1927  
W. W. Stevenson } J. B. Bell  
Judge of Probate, Abbeville Co., S. C. } Lom desville, S. C.

In the name of God, Amen:

I, B. A. Bell of Landerhill, South Carolina, do make, ordain, publish and declare this as and for my last will and testament, hereby revoking all wills and instruments of a testamentary nature heretofore by me made.

Item One. I commit my soul to the gracious God who gave it, and direct that my body be decently interred and that a suitable monument be erected to mark my grave and that all expenses therefor be paid out of my estate.

Item Two. I will and direct that my executors hereinafter named shall pay all of my just debts into the first money coming into their hands.

Item Three: I will, devise and bequeath to my beloved wife, Mary B. Bell for and during her natural life, the western half of the home that I now live in, it is my will and desire that the other half of said home during the life of my beloved wife be used by my children, where they may come and go as they wish, and at the death of my wife, Mary B. Bell it is my will and desire that the said home place be sold and the proceeds of sale be divided equally between my children, the child or children of a deceased child taking the share that the parent would take if living.

Item Four: Whereas, I have this 11<sup>th</sup> day of November 1926, by way of deed conveyed certain tracts of real estate to my wife, Mary B. Bell and to each of my children, except my daughter, Mrs. Beilie Bell Johnson, I now therefore in lieu of real estate, will, devise and bequeath to my said daughter, Mrs. Beilie Bell Johnson the sum of sixteen hundred dollars to be paid her by my executors hereinafter named.

Item Five: Whereas the tract of land I this day, 11<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1926, conveyed to my daughter, Mrs. Earle Bell Brickle is less in value to the tracts of land this 11<sup>th</sup> day of November 1926, conveyed by me to my beloved wife, Mary B. Bell and my children, I now wish to make up the difference, I will, devise and bequeath to my said daughter, Mrs. Earle Bell Brickle the sum of four hundred dollars and direct that my executors hereinafter named pay her the said amount.

Item Six: After paying to Mrs. Earle Bell Johnson the sixteen hundred dollars mentioned in Item Four hereabove and the four hundred dollars to Mrs. Earle Bell Brickle mentioned in Item Five hereabove, it is my will and desire that all the rest and residue of my property, both real and personal, be equally divided between my beloved wife, Mrs. Mary B. Bell and my seven children, share and share alike, the child or children of a deceased child to take the share that the parent would take if living.

Item Seven: I hereby nominate, constitute and appoint my two sons, Don B. Bell, and Willie Hamilton Bell, as executors of this my last will and testament.

In witness whereof, I hereunto set my hand and seal this 11<sup>th</sup> day of November 1926.

B. A. Bell (S.S.)

Signed, sealed, published, and declared by B. A. Bell as and for his last will and testament in the presence of us, who in his presence, and of each other, at his request, here subscribed our names as witnesses.

J. Howard Moore  
W. J. Cunningham  
N. H. Bombs

(See Colical on page 13)



### PROOF OF WILL

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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, }  
ABBEVILLE COUNTY. }

IN THE COURT OF PROBATE

By \_\_\_\_\_, Esq., Judge of Probate for said County.

Personally appears \_\_\_\_\_, who, being duly sworn, says that he saw \_\_\_\_\_ sign, seal, publish and declare the annexed instrument of writing, bearing date the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, A. D. \_\_\_\_\_ to be and contain \_\_\_\_\_ Last Will and Testament; that the said \_\_\_\_\_ was then of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, according to the best of deponent's knowledge and belief; and that the said \_\_\_\_\_ (Deponent) together with \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ at the request of the testat. \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ presence, and in the presence of each other, witnessed the due execution thereof.

Sworn to before me, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, Anno Domini 193\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Judge of Probate, Abbeville County, So. Car. (Deponent)

### ORDER ADMITTING WILL TO PROBATE IN COMMON FORM

On hearing the above petition of \_\_\_\_\_ it is hereby ordered, adjudged and decreed, That the petition be granted and the said Last Will and Testament, with codicil \_\_\_\_\_, of \_\_\_\_\_, deceased, be entered of Probate in Common Form.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court of Probate, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 193\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Judge of Court of Probate, Abbeville County, So. Car.

### QUALIFICATION FIDUCIARY

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, }  
ABBEVILLE COUNTY. }

\_\_\_\_\_ do solemnly swear, that this writing contains the true Last Will of the within named \_\_\_\_\_ deceased, so far as \_\_\_\_\_ know or believe; and that \_\_\_\_\_ will well and truly execute the same, by paying first the debts, and then the legacies contained in the said Will, as far as \_\_\_\_\_ goods and chattels will thereunto extend and the law charge \_\_\_\_\_, and that \_\_\_\_\_ will make a true and perfect inventory of all such goods and chattels; So help \_\_\_\_\_ God.

Sworn to before me, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, Anno Domini 193\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Judge of Probate, Abbeville Co., S. C.

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,  
COUNTY OF ABBEVILLE

Codicil to the  
The Last Will and Testament of:  
B. A. Bell.

In the name of God, Amen:

I, B. A. Bell of Landerhill in the State of South Carolina, do make, ordain, publish and declare this as and for a codicil to my last will and testament heretofore made, ordained, published and declared by me on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of November 1926.

Item One: I will, devise and bequeath to my beloved daughter, Mrs. Bebie Bell Johnson for and during her life, the following described tract of real estate to wit: All that tract or parcel of land situate, lying and being in the County of Abbeville in the State of South Carolina, containing One Hundred and Seven and One Half acres, more or less and bounded by lands of E. W. Hayser Jr.; on the South, by lands of Smyrna Colored Methodist Church on the North; on the East by lands of E. W. Hayser and the Anderson - Landerhill Public Road and on the West by lands of J. S. D. Kirkpatrick. This being the tract of land this day conveyed to me by J. S. B. Bell.

Item Two: That at the death of my said daughter, Mrs. Bebie Bell Johnson, it is my will that the above described tract of land go to the children of my said daughter Mrs. Bebie Bell Johnson, they to take same share and share alike and the child or children of a deceased child to take the share that the parent would take if living.

Item Three: The tract of land devised and bequeathed to my said daughter Mrs. Bebie Bell Johnson in Item One herein is devised, to her in lieu and as a substitute for the sum of Sixteen Hundred Dollars devised to her in the fourth item of my said will and testament heretofore made by me on the said 11<sup>th</sup> day of November 1926.

On witness whereof, I have set my hand and seal this 1<sup>st</sup> day of January 1927.  
B. A. Bell (d. s.)

Signed, sealed, published and declared by B. A. Bell as and for a codicil to his last will and testament heretofore made by him on the 11<sup>th</sup> Nov. 1926, in the presence of us who in his presence and in the presence of each other, at his request have subscribed our names as witnesses.

J. Howard Moore  
A. Verchat  
J. Moore Moore

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### PROOF OF WILL

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,  
ABBEVILLE COUNTY.

IN THE COURT OF PROBATE

By W. A. Stevenson, Esq., Judge of Probate for said County.

Personally appears J. F. Eddenburg, who, being duly sworn, says that he saw Killie Ellis sign, seal, publish and declare the annexed instrument

of writing, bearing date the 18<sup>th</sup> day of May, A. D. 1924 to be and contain her Last Will and Testament; that the said Killie Ellis

was then of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, according to the best of deponent's knowledge and belief; and that the said J. F. Eddenburg (Deponent)

together with D. S. Eddenburg and Robt. J. Hutchison at the request of the testator in her presence, and in the presence of each other, witnessed the due execution thereof.

Sworn to before me, this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of July, Anno Domini 1925  
W. A. Stevenson  
Judge of Probate, Abbeville County, S. C.

J. F. Eddenburg (Deponent)

### ORDER ADMITTING WILL TO PROBATE IN COMMON FORM

On hearing the above petition of Mack Ellis it is hereby ordered, adjudged and decreed, That the petition be granted and the said Last Will and Testament, ~~with copies~~ of Killie Ellis, deceased, be entered of Probate in Common Form.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court of Probate, this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of July, 1925  
W. A. Stevenson  
Judge of Court of Probate, Abbeville County, S. C.

### QUALIFICATION FIDUCIARY

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,  
ABBEVILLE COUNTY.

I do solemnly swear, that this writing contains the true Last Will of the within named Killie Ellis deceased, so far as I know or believe; and that I will well and truly execute the same, by paying first the debts, and then the legacies contained in the said Will, as far as her goods and chattels will thereunto extend and the law charge me, and that I will make a true and perfect inventory of all such goods and chattels; So help me God.

Sworn to before me, this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of July, Anno Domini 1925  
W. A. Stevenson  
Judge of Probate, Abbeville Co., S. C.

Mack Ellis

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA }  
COUNTY OF ABBEVILLE }

The Last Will and Testament of:  
Mrs. Kizzie Ellis.

In the name of God Amen.  
I, Kizzie Ellis, of Abbeville County, State of South Carolina, being of sound mind and memory, do make Adam public and declare this to be my last Will and Testament: Viz/

1<sup>st</sup> I will and direct that all my legal debts be first paid.  
2<sup>nd</sup> I will and request to my son Mack Ellis all of my personal and real Estate, including land, mules, cows, huggys, wagons, feed stuff, also household and kitchen furniture, also all money that I may have at the time of my death. I give my son Mack Ellis this estate during his natural life, at the death of my son Mack Ellis my estate to be equally divided between my children share and share alike, William E. Ellis, Benson W. Ellis, John Ellis, Lida Ellis Hill, Bessie Ellis Stewart, Nannie Ellis Wright and Annie Ellis Wright. If any of my children should die the share of such deceased to be equally divided among his or her children.

I hereby nominate, constitute and appoint my beloved son Mack Ellis as Executor of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all former Wills made by me.

As witness whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name, and affix my seal this 18<sup>th</sup> day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-four.

Kizzie <sup>her</sup> Ellis (Seal)  
make

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the said Kizzie Ellis, as and for her last Will and Testament in the presence of us who at the request of the said Kizzie Ellis and in the presence of her, and in the presence of each other hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses the day and year written above.

D. L. Ellenburg (Seal)  
J. F. Ellenburg (Seal)  
R. H. J. Hutchison (Seal)

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### PROOF OF WILL

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,  
ABBEVILLE COUNTY.

IN THE COURT OF PROBATE

By Adrian B. Carule, Esq., Judge of Probate for said County.

Personally appears Richard Donley, who, being duly sworn, says that he saw Samuel J. Eakin sign, seal, publish and declare the annexed instrument of writing, bearing date the 19<sup>th</sup> day of December, A. D. 1907 to be and contain his Last Will and Testament; that the said

Samuel J. Eakin was then of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, according to the best of deponent's knowledge and belief; and that the said Richard Donley (Deponent)

together with J. S. Bonalley and R. E. Hill at the request of the testator in his presence, and in the presence of each other, witnessed the due execution thereof.

Sworn to before me, this 31<sup>st</sup> day of December, Anno Domini 1934  
Adrian B. Carule  
Judge of Probate, Abbeville County, So. Car.

Richard Donley (Deponent)

### ORDER ADMITTING WILL TO PROBATE IN COMMON FORM

On hearing the above petition of Mrs. Kate E. Ellis, it is hereby ordered, adjudged and decreed, That the petition be granted and the said Last Will and Testament, ~~with codicil~~ of Samuel J. Eakin, deceased, be entered of Probate in Common Form.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court of Probate, this 31<sup>st</sup> day of December, 1934  
Adrian B. Carule  
Judge of Court of Probate, Abbeville County, So. Car.

### QUALIFICATION FIDUCIARY

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,  
ABBEVILLE COUNTY.

I do solemnly swear, that this writing contains the true Last Will of the within named Samuel J. Eakin deceased, so far as I know or believe; and that I will well and truly execute the same, by paying first the debts, and then the legacies contained in the said Will, as far as his goods and chattels will thereunto extend and the law charge me, and that I will make a true and perfect inventory of all such goods and chattels; So help me God.

Sworn to before me, this 31<sup>st</sup> day of December, Anno Domini 1934  
Adrian B. Carule  
Judge of Probate, Abbeville Co., S. C.

J. L. Perrin

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA }  
COUNTY OF ABBEVILLE }

The Last Will and Testament of:

Samuel T. Eakin

In the name of God Amen:

I, Samuel T. Eakin of the County of Abbeville, State of South Carolina, being of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, do make public and declare the following to be my last will and testament, hereby revoking all former wills by me heretofore made.

1<sup>st</sup>. I will and direct that all my just debts and funeral expenses be fully paid.

2<sup>nd</sup>. I will, devise and bequeath to my beloved wife, Jennie T. Eakin, my entire estate both real and personal, for and during her natural life.

3<sup>rd</sup>. At the death of my said wife, I direct that the same be equally divided among our children share and share alike - the child or children of any deceased child to take the portion to which the parent would be entitled if living.

4<sup>th</sup>. I nominate, constitute and appoint my wife Jennie T. Eakin, & my son S. T. Eakin, Executors of this my said will.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 19<sup>th</sup> day December 1907.

S. T. Eakin

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the testator, in our presence as and for his last will and testament, and we in his presence, at his request and in the presence of each other, have signed our names as witnesses to the same.

- x Richard Dondley
- x L. S. Bradley
- x R. E. Hill

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### PROOF OF WILL

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,  
ABBEVILLE COUNTY.

IN THE COURT OF PROBATE

By Add B. Carville, Esq., Judge of Probate for said County.

Personally appears R. C. Brier, who, being duly sworn, says that he saw F. Y. Pressly sign, seal, publish and declare the annexed instrument of writing, bearing date the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, A. D. 1930 to be

and contain his Last Will and Testament; that the said

F. Y. Pressly was then of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, according to

the best of deponent's knowledge and belief; and that the said R. C. Brier (Deponent)

together with Sam'l J. Todd and R. L. Robinson at the request of the testator in his presence, and in the presence of each other, witnessed the due execution thereof.

Sworn to before me, this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of January, Anno Domini 1936  
Add B. Carville  
Judge of Probate, Abbeville County, S. Car.

R. C. Brier  
(Deponent)

### ORDER ADMITTING WILL TO PROBATE IN COMMON FORM

On hearing the above petition of Mrs. M. Belle Pressly

it is hereby ordered, adjudged and decreed, That the petition be granted and the said Last Will and Testament, with codicil,

of Dr. F. Y. Pressly, deceased, be entered of Probate in Common Form.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court of Probate, this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of Jan., 1936

Add B. Carville  
Judge of Court of Probate, Abbeville County, S. Car.

### QUALIFICATION FIDUCIARY

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,  
ABBEVILLE COUNTY.

We do solemnly swear, that this writing contains the true Last Will of the within named \_\_\_\_\_

Dr. F. Y. Pressly deceased, so far as we know or believe;

and that we will well and truly execute the same, by paying first the debts, and then the legacies contained in the said Will, as far as his goods and chattels will thereunto extend and the law charge us, and

that we will make a true and perfect inventory of all such goods and chattels;

So help us God.

Sworn to before me, this 19<sup>th</sup> day of January, Anno Domini 1936  
Add B. Carville  
Judge of Probate, Abbeville Co., S. C.

Jas. C. Pressly  
H. L. Pressly  
One West, L. C.

I, F. F. Pussley, of the West, County, and State aforesaid, being of sound and disposing mind and memory and sensible of the uncertainty of life, do hereby make and declare this to be my last will and testament, hereby revoking and cancelling any and all other testamentary dispositions by me heretofore made.

Art. I I direct the payment out of my estate by my Executor hereinafter named of all of my just and legal debts, funeral expenses and the cost of a suitable tombstone to mark my grave, as soon after my death as is practicable.

Art. II I hereby give and bequeath to Rev. S. F. Reid, now residing at Tampa, Fla., fifty volumes from my personal library and I also give and bequeath to Rev. James P. Pussley, who now resides at New West, fifty volumes from my personal library. I direct that the choice of volumes be made by the above named beneficiaries.

Art. III I hereby give and bequeath all of my household and kitchen furniture, pictures, automobiles, books (except those bequeathed in Article II, above) and such like personal effects to my beloved wife, Mrs. M. Belle Pussley to be hers absolutely and forever.

Art. IV I hereby give and bequeath unto my adopted son, Paul B. Pussley, the sum of one hundred (\$100.00) Dollars in Cash, the same to be paid to him as soon after my death as is practicable. I feel that during my lifetime my said adopted son has received the proper amount of my estate and this is my reason for making this bequest in so small an amount.

Art. V All of the rest, residue or remainder of my estate, real, personal, and mixed, of whatever nature and wheresoever situate, to which I am entitled at the time of my death, either in law or in equity, I hereby give, devise and bequeath to my beloved wife, Mrs. M. Belle Pussley, for and during the term of her natural life, however, my said wife, during the life tenancy hereinabove given her, shall not be confined to the income from this my residuary estate, but she may in her sole discretion use any part of, up to and including the whole thereof, at such time or times and in such amount or amounts as she may deem wise; and I hereby give to her full power and authority, to mortgage, lease, sell or convey any or all of this my residuary estate as she may elect, and to make, execute and deliver good and sufficient title or other instrument effecting the same, and none of the provisions of this will shall be construed as a bar or any of my estate which might prohibit my said wife from exercising full power and authority over this property. Whatever balance might remain of this residuary fund at the death of my said wife over and above the amount she shall have elected to use shall be disposed of according to Articles VI and VII below.

Art. VI For the love and affection which I have for J. Allen Smith, 3<sup>rd</sup> and Belle Pussley Smith, son and daughter, respectively, of Mr. and Mrs. Max Smith of Abbeville, S.C., it is my wish and the wish of my aforesaid wife that these two children, J. Allen Smith, 3<sup>rd</sup> and Belle Pussley Smith, receive a college education, and that the costs of their college education, be guaranteed, under certain conditions hereinafter stated, by my estate. It is, therefore, my purpose, concurred in by my said wife, to see that these said children are given a four year academic course in our Church College, during my lifetime, if they shall have reached that age during my lifetime; or that, if they shall have reached that age during the lifetime of my aforesaid wife, she provide for their education out of the life estate hereinabove given her. However, it may be that neither my said wife nor myself shall live to see their education completed, and in that event, I hereby direct that at the death of my said wife, a certain trust fund be raised from the balance of my residuary estate, created in Article V, above, and paid to the



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### PROOF OF WILL

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, }  
ABBEVILLE COUNTY. }

IN THE COURT OF PROBATE

By \_\_\_\_\_, Esq., Judge of Probate for said County.

Personally appears \_\_\_\_\_, who, being duly sworn, says that he saw \_\_\_\_\_ sign, seal, publish and declare the annexed instrument of writing, bearing date the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, A. D. \_\_\_\_\_ to be and contain \_\_\_\_\_ Last Will and Testament; that the said \_\_\_\_\_ was then of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, according to the best of deponent's knowledge and belief; and that the said \_\_\_\_\_ together with \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ at the request of the testat \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ presence, and in the presence of each other, witnessed the due execution thereof.

Sworn to before me, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, Anno Domini 193\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Judge of Probate, Abbeville County, S. C. (Deponent)

### ORDER ADMITTING WILL TO PROBATE IN COMMON FORM

On hearing the above petition of \_\_\_\_\_ it is hereby ordered, adjudged and decreed, That the petition be granted and the said Last Will and Testament, with codicil \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, deceased, be entered of Probate in Common Form.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court of Probate, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 193\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Judge of Court of Probate, Abbeville County, S. C.

### QUALIFICATION FIDUCIARY

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, }  
ABBEVILLE COUNTY. }

\_\_\_\_\_ do solemnly swear, that this writing contains the true Last Will of the within named \_\_\_\_\_ deceased, so far as \_\_\_\_\_ know or believe; and that \_\_\_\_\_ will well and truly execute the same, by paying first the debts, and then the legacies contained in the said Will, as far as \_\_\_\_\_ goods and chattels will thereunto extend and the law charge \_\_\_\_\_, and that \_\_\_\_\_ will make a true and perfect inventory of all such goods and chattels; So help \_\_\_\_\_ God.

Sworn to before me, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, Anno Domini 193\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Judge of Probate, Abbeville Co., S. C.

COUNTY OF ABBEVILLE.

Central Union Bank of South Carolina, Rock Hill, S.C., in trust for the education of these said children, the amount of said fund and the terms and conditions of the trust to be as follows: The amount of the fund shall be such a sum as will pay Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars per year per child for each year that said children or either of them shall lack of having completed their four year academic college course. If, in the discretion of the Trustee (The Central Union Bank of South Carolina), said parents are unable to pay all or any part of the costs of said college education, then the Trustee shall take from the said trust fund above created, a sufficient amount to supplement such amount, if any, as is available by said parents, up to and including the said sum of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars per year per child for each year that said child or children shall attend college. The payments, if such payments are required on account of the financial ability of said parents, shall be made in annual or semi-annual installments and payments shall be made by the Trustee to the college in which they shall be in attendance. Payments from this educational fund are further conditioned upon said children attending Burke College or whatever institution may be the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church's College at that time.

The Trustee shall invest said fund in such securities or investments as it may deem to be to the best interest of said trust.

Should either or both of the aforesaid children not avail themselves of a full four-year college course, or should there for any reason remain a balance of this fund when, in the discretion of the Trustee, the same is no longer needed, I direct that such balance or over-plus, together with all accrued income, be paid by my said Trustee to F. C. Brier and Dr. H. L. Presely to be used by them for the purposes as hereinafter designated in Article VII.

Art. VII After the death of my aforesaid wife, Mrs. M. Belle Presely, and the educational fund created in Article II above, shall have been paid to the Trustee, I direct that whatever balance remains of my residuary estate created in Article II above, be paid over to Dr. H. L. Presely of Due West, S.C., and F. C. Brier of Rock Hill, S.C., or the survivor, and used by them within a period of five years for the purpose of providing some permanent plant or equipment for the Department of the Seminary of Burke College. I am not able to foresee at this time just what definite or specific improvement should be made to the Department of the Seminary at that distant time, nor do I know what amount will be available under the terms of this will; however, I have made known, in a general way my wishes and ideas to Dr. Presely, and Mr. Brier, and, so far as the bequest in this will is concerned, the said Dr. Presely, and Mr. Brier, shall use this bequest and the reversions from Article II, above, as in their discretion would best serve the interests of said Theological Seminary, and, having explicit confidence in their integrity, I direct that no bond be required of them for the faithful performance of their trust.

Art. VIII I hereby name, constitute, constitute and appoint the Central Union Bank of South Carolina, Rock Hill, S.C., as executor of this my last will and testament and should said Bank merge with or be succeeded by another corporation, either before this will takes effect or during the incumbency of said Bank as executor or Trustee, the new corporation shall thereupon become the executor or Trustee if such new corporation shall have trust powers.

Witness my hand and seal this - day of - A. D., 1930.

F. Y. Presely

The foregoing instrument was subscribed by Dr. F. Y. Presely as and for his last will and testament, in our presence and in the presence of each other, and we, at his request, in his presence and in the presence of each other, humbly subscribe our names as witnesses on the date above last mentioned.

F. C. Brier  
Samuel J. Todd

R. L. Robinson

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### PROOF OF WILL

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,  
ABBEVILLE COUNTY.

IN THE COURT OF PROBATE

By Abdison B. Canale, Esq., Judge of Probate for said County.

Personally appears Susie Mabry, who, being duly sworn, says that she saw David S. Bryson sign, seal, publish and declare the annexed instrument

of writing, bearing date the 10<sup>th</sup> day of May, A. D. 1928 to be

and contain his Last Will and Testament; that the said David S. Bryson

was then of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, according to

the best of deponent's knowledge and belief; and that the said Susie Mabry (Deponent)

together with Mary Feltus and Wm. P. Greene at the request

of the testator in his presence, and in the presence of each other, witnessed the due execution thereof.

Sworn to before me, this 17<sup>th</sup> day of

January, Anno Domini 1935  
Abdison B. Canale  
Judge of Probate, Abbeville County, So. Car.

Susie Mabry (Deponent)

### ORDER ADMITTING WILL TO PROBATE IN COMMON FORM

On hearing the above petition of (Mrs.) Dora Black Bryson

it is hereby ordered, adjudged and decreed, That the petition be granted and the said Last Will and Testament, with codicil

of David S. Bryson, deceased, be entered of Probate in Common Form.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court of Probate, this 17<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1935

Abdison B. Canale  
Judge of Court of Probate, Abbeville County, So. Car.

### QUALIFICATION FIDUCIARY

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,  
ABBEVILLE COUNTY.

I do solemnly swear, that this writing contains the true Last Will of the within named David S. Bryson

deceased, so far as I know or believe;

and that I will well and truly execute the same, by paying first the debts, and then the legacies contained in the said Will, as far as his goods and chattels will thereunto extend and the law charge me, and

that I will make a true and perfect inventory of all such goods and chattels; So help me God.

Sworn to before me, this 17<sup>th</sup> day of

January, Anno Domini 1935  
Abdison B. Canale  
Judge of Probate, Abbeville Co., S. C.

(Mrs.) Dora Black Bryson  
Calhoun Falls, S. C.

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,  
COUNTY OF ABBEVILLE.

The Last Will and Testament of:

(Dr.) David L. Bryson.

I, David L. Bryson, of Calhoun Falls, in said State and County, being of sound and disposing mind, memory, and understanding, and desiring to make disposition of my property in case of death, do make, publish, and declare the following as and for my last will and testament, to wit:

Item #1. I direct my executrix hereinafter named, as soon after my death as practicable to pay all of my just debts and funeral expenses.

Item #2. I will, devise, and bequeath the rest, residue, and remainder of my property, real, personal, and mixed to my wife, Nora Black Bryson.

Item #3. I hereby constitute and appoint my wife, Nora Black Bryson sole executrix of this my last will and testament, giving her full power and authority to do any and every act necessary to carry this will into full force and effect.

In Witness Whereof I have hereunto signed my name and affixed my seal this tenth day of May in the Year of Our Lord One thousand Nine hundred and Twenty-eight.

David L. Bryson (S. S.)

Signed, sealed, Published, and Declared by David L. Bryson as and for his last will and testament in our presence and we in his presence, at his request, and each in the presence of the other two, have hereunto signed our names as attesting witnesses.

Sueie Mabry.

May Foster

Wm. P. Greene.

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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,  
ABBEVILLE COUNTY.

IN THE COURT OF PROBATE

By Adrian B. Canale, Esq., Judge of Probate for said County.

Personally appears P. E. Ball, who, being duly sworn, says that he saw Sollet Augustus Neuffer under name of J. A. Neuffer sign, seal, publish and declare the annexed instrument of writing, bearing date the 19<sup>th</sup> day of November, A. D. 1921 to be and contain his Last Will and Testament; that the said J. A. Neuffer was then of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, according to the best of deponent's knowledge and belief; and that the said P. E. Ball (Deponent) together with H. M. Beckwith and W. A. Harris at the request of the testator in his presence, and in the presence of each other, witnessed the due execution thereof.

Sworn to before me, this 10<sup>th</sup> day ofJanuary, Anno Domini 1932Adrian B. Canale

Judge of Probate, Abbeville County, S. C.

P. E. Ball

(Deponent)

## ORDER ADMITTING WILL TO PROBATE IN COMMON FORM

On hearing the above petition of (Mrs.) Florence Hanny Neuffer it is hereby ordered, adjudged and decreed, That the petition be granted and the said Last Will and Testament, with codicil of Sollet Augustus (Dr. J. A.) Neuffer, (M.D.) deceased, be entered of Probate in Common Form.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court of Probate, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1932Adrian B. Canale

Judge of Court of Probate, Abbeville County, S. C.

## QUALIFICATION FIDUCIARY

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,  
ABBEVILLE COUNTY.

I do solemnly swear, that this writing contains the true Last Will of the within named Sollet Augustus (Dr. J. A.) Neuffer, (M.D.) deceased, so far as I know or believe; and that I will well and truly execute the same, by paying first the debts, and then the legacies contained in the said Will, as far as his goods and chattels will thereunto extend and the law charge me, and that I will make a true and perfect inventory of all such goods and chattels; So help me God.

Sworn to before me, this 10<sup>th</sup> day ofJanuary, Anno Domini 1932Adrian B. Canale

Judge of Probate, Abbeville Co., S. C.

Florence Hanny Neuffer

G. A. Neuffer, M.D.

I, G. A. Neuffer, of Abertville, in the County and State of South Carolina, a physician and surgeon, being of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, but desiring to make disposition of my property in case of death, hereby revoking all former wills by me made, do make, publish and declare the following as and for my last will and testament, to-wit:

Item I: I direct my Executor, hereinafter named, as soon after my death as practicable, to pay all of my just debts and funeral expenses. If it is necessary for the purpose of paying debts, I hereby give my Executor full power and authority to sell any, or all of the property, real or personal, of which I die seized and possessed, with full power to make title thereto in fee simple to the purchaser or purchasers, the proceeds to be used to pay such debts.

Item II: I will and devise to my wife, Florence Henry Neuffer, my house and lot on Main Street in the City of Abertville, where I now reside, the said lot being located between the lot of Mrs. M. W. Russell and lot of J. S. Stokes, and also the furniture therein at the time of my death, except such furniture as is in the room of my son, Gabriel.

Item III: I will and bequeath to my son, Gabriel, the furniture now in his room in my said residence with such as may during my life time be added thereto.

Item IV: The real, residue and remainder of my property of every nature and kind, including real estate, notes, accounts, stocks, bonds, choses in action, moneys on hand and to be collected from life insurance payable to my estate, and all other personally, I will devise and bequeath to my said wife, Florence Henry Neuffer, and my children in the following proportions: One-half thereof to my wife, Florence Henry Neuffer, and the other one-half to my children in equal shares, the child or children of any deceased child in such division is to take the share to which his, her or their parent would have taken had such parent survived me. Should any one or more of my children, either at the time of my death or afterwards, desire his or her share of my estate, as provided for in this paragraph of my will, set off to him or her separate from the property of the other children, I hereby authorize my Executor hereinafter named and any such child to agree upon the value of the share of each of the children therein, and in order to settle with any such child, one or more, I hereby empower and authorize my Executor hereinafter named to convey any of the property herein willed to the children to such child, one or more, as is sufficient to settle with him or her for his or her share, and in case settlement cannot be made in this way I give my Executor hereinafter named full power and authority to sell any of the real estate or personal property willed herein to the children, making good and sufficient title thereto, in order to raise money for such purpose, and out of the proceeds to settle with any one or more of my children who desired his or her share of the estate set off as aforesaid. In case the share going to each child cannot be agreed upon between my Executor and any child so desiring his share set off, then any of the parties may apply to the Court of Common Pleas for Abertville County for such partition and division as will secure to each child the share of the estate going to him or her under this clause of my will.

Item V: To that son of mine who first graduates in medicine, I will and bequeath my medical library and medical instruments with my office furniture and fixtures.

Item VI: I hereby appoint my wife, Florence Henry Neuffer, Executor of this my last will and testament, hereby giving her full power and authority to do all and every act necessary for the purpose of settling my estate as herein directed, including the power to make such deeds of conveyance and other conveyances and transfers as may be necessary thereto; and I further appoint her as guardian for each of my minor children directing that as such she shall not be required to give bond.

In Witness Whereof, I the said G. A. Neuffer, have hereto signed my name and affixed my seal this the 19<sup>th</sup> day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-one and in the one hundred and forty-sixth year of the Sovereignty and Independence of the United States of America.

Signed, sealed, Published and Declared by  
G. A. Neuffer, (S.S.)  
G. A. Neuffer as and for his last will and testament,  
in my presence, and we in his presence, at his request, and each in the presence of the other two, have hereto signed as attesting witnesses.

H. M. Baumgart  
W. H. Harris  
F. E. Bell

## PROOF OF WILL

File:

Box 343

Pack 8703

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,  
ABBEVILLE COUNTY.

IN THE COURT OF PROBATE

By Addison B. Canale, Esq., Judge of Probate for said County.

Personally appears Jan. P. Pearsly, who, being duly sworn, says that he saw Enoch Cochran sign, seal, publish and declare the annexed instrument of writing, bearing date the 26<sup>th</sup> day of September, A. D. 1932 to be and contain his Last Will and Testament; that the said Enoch Cochran was then of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, according to the best of deponent's knowledge and belief; and that the said (Deponent) together with William Pearsly and R. B. McJill at the request of the testator in his presence, and in the presence of each other, witnessed the due execution thereof.

Sworn to before me, this 19<sup>th</sup> day of

January, Anno Domini 1935

Add. B. Canale  
Judge of Probate, Abbeville County, S. C.Jan. P. Pearsly  
(Deponent)

## ORDER ADMITTING WILL TO PROBATE IN COMMON FORM

On hearing the above petition of J. P. Pearsly and R. B. McJill it is hereby ordered, adjudged and decreed, That the petition be granted and the said Last Will and Testament, ~~with codicils~~, of Enoch Cochran, deceased, be entered of Probate in Common Form.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court of Probate, this 19<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1935A. B. Canale  
Judge of Court of Probate, Abbeville County, S. C.

## QUALIFICATION FIDUCIARY

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,  
ABBEVILLE COUNTY.

We do solemnly swear, that this writing contains the true Last Will of the within named Enoch Cochran deceased, so far as we know or believe; and that we will well and truly execute the same, by paying first the debts, and then the legacies contained in the said Will, as far as his goods and chattels will thereunto extend and the law charge ~~me~~, and that we will make a true and perfect inventory of all such goods and chattels; So help us God.

Sworn to before me, this 19<sup>th</sup> day of

January, Anno Domini 1935

A. B. Canale  
Judge of Probate, Abbeville Co., S. C.Jan. P. Pearsly  
R. B. McJill

Enoch Cochran.

I, Enoch Cochran of Due West, County and State aforesaid being of sound and disposing mind and memory and sensible of the uncertainty of life, do hereby make and declare this to be my last will and testament, hereby cancelling and revoking any and all other testamentary dispositions by me heretofore made.

Art. 1. I direct the payment out of my estate to my executors hereinafter named, all of my just debts and legal debts and funeral expenses as soon after my death as practicable. All the rest, residue or remainder of my estate, real, personal or mixed of whatsoever nature and wheresoever situate to which I am entitled either in law or in equity at the time of my death, I hereby give, devise and bequeath to my wife, namely Lucy Cochran.

Art. 2. Having confidence in the ability and integrity of my executors hereinafter named, I direct that they be permitted to qualify and to act as such without giving bond.

Art. 3. I hereby expressly authorize and empower my executors hereinafter named to sell at public or private sale, with or without notice, any part of my estate, real, personal or mixed, upon such terms and conditions as they may deem best, and to make, execute and deliver, good and sufficient titles or other instruments affecting same.

Art. 4. I hereby name, nominate, constitute and appoint J. P. Prerally & R. B. McNeil as executors of this my last will and testament.

Witness my hand and seal this 26<sup>th</sup> day of September A. D. 1932.

Enoch <sup>his</sup> Cochran.  
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The foregoing instrument was subscribed by the testator as and for his last will and testament, in our presence and in the presence of each other, and we at his request in his presence and in the presence of each other hereunto subscribe our names as witnesses on the date last above written.

William Prerally  
R. B. McNeil  
Jas. P. Prerally



## PROOF OF WILL

File:  
Box 343  
Pack 8112THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,  
ABBEVILLE COUNTY.

IN THE COURT OF PROBATE

By Abraham B. Carule, Esq., Judge of Probate for said County.Personally appears A. F. Mallison, who, being duly sworn, says that he saw (Mrs.) Emma E. Salinas sign, seal, publish and declare the annexed instrumentof writing, bearing date the 19<sup>th</sup> day of July, A. D. 1929 to be and contain her Last Will and Testament; that the saidMrs. Emma E. Salinas was then of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, according to the best of deponent's knowledge and belief; and that the said A. F. Mallison (Deponent)together with A. M. Graham and C. E. Agnew at the request of the testator in her presence, and in the presence of each other, witnessed the due execution thereof.Sworn to before me, this 19<sup>th</sup> day ofJanuary, Anno Domini 1935Abd. B. Carule  
Judge of Probate, Abbeville County, S. Car.A. F. Mallison

(Deponent)

## ORDER ADMITTING WILL TO PROBATE IN COMMON FORM

On hearing the above petition of J. Clayton Salinasit is hereby ordered, adjudged and decreed, That the petition be granted and the said Last Will and Testament, ~~with codicil~~ of Mrs. Emma E. Salinas, deceased, be entered of Probate in Common Form.Given under my hand and the seal of the Court of Probate, this 19<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1935Abd. B. Carule

Judge of Court of Probate, Abbeville County, S. Car.

## QUALIFICATION FIDUCIARY

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

ABBEVILLE COUNTY.

We do solemnly swear, that this writing contains the true Last Will of the within namedMrs. Emma E. Salinas deceased, so far as We know or believe;and that We will well and truly execute the same, by paying first the debts, and then the legacies contained in the said Will, as far as her goods and chattels will thereunto extend and the law charge we, andthat We will make a true and perfect inventory of all such goods and chattels;So help us God.Sworn to before me, this 19<sup>th</sup> day ofJanuary, Anno Domini 1935Abd. B. Carule  
Judge of Probate, Abbeville Co., S. C.J. Clayton SalinasW. B. Erwin

I, Mrs. Emma E. Salmer, widow, of the County of Ardeville, State of South Carolina, do hereby make, publish and declare this my last will and testament, in manner and form following:

First: I direct that all my just debts and funeral expenses be paid as soon after my decease as conveniently can be done.

Second: I request and desire, after the payment of my debts and funeral expenses, all the rest, residue and remainder of my estate, real, personal and mixed, whatsoever situate, of which I may die seized or possessed, or to which I may be entitled at my death, to such of my children as may be living at the time of my death, share and share alike, and in case any child of mine has died or dies before I do leaving a child or children living at my death, such child or children of such deceased child of mine shall take the share of my estate the parent would have taken if such parent had survived me.

Third: I will that any and all advancements made by me to any of my children, shall be accounted for in the final settlement of my estate and any and all notes, accounts or claims I may hold at my death against any of my children or against any of my sons-in-law or daughters-in-law, shall be accounted for in the final settlement of my estate; any such notes, accounts or claims against any son-in-law to be regarded as the obligation of the wife of such son-in-law and to be accounted for and such in the final settlement of my estate; and in the case of any daughter-in-law so indebted to me, her obligation to be regarded as that of her husband and as such to be accounted for in such final settlement.

Fourth: I authorize and empower my executors hereinafter named, and the survivor of them, to sell and dispose of all or any of the real estate, or other property, of which I shall die seized or possessed, at public sale after due advertisement, for the purpose of dividing and distributing my estate in accordance with the provisions contained in this my will, such sale or sales to be held at such times as said executors, or the survivor of them, shall deem for the best advantage of all the beneficiaries hereunder, except that I direct that such sale or sales be held within the period of two years after my death. And such executors, or the survivor of them, are authorized and empowered to execute and deliver any and all writings, deeds of conveyance and transfers, that may be deemed necessary or desirable in order to give good title to the purchaser or purchasers of all or any of such real estate or other property.

Fifth: I nominate, constitute and appoint my sons, J. Clayton Salmer, and my son-in-law, W. G. Erwin, and the survivor of them, executors of this my last will and testament.

In witness whereof, I, the said Mrs. Emma E. Salmer, have subscribed my name and affixed my seal to this my will, this 19<sup>th</sup> day of July, nineteen hundred and twenty-nine.  
Emma E. Salmer (Seal)

The foregoing instrument was subscribed, sealed, published and declared by Mrs. Emma E. Salmer, as and for her last will and testament, in our presence and in the presence of each of us, and we, at the same time, at her request, in her presence and in the presence of each other, hereunto subscribe our names as attesting witnesses.

A. F. Mathison  
A. M. Graham  
C. E. Ogden

PROOF OF WILL

File: \_\_\_\_\_  
Box 343  
Pack 8704

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,  
Greenwood ~~Abbeville~~ COUNTY.

IN THE COURT OF PROBATE

By R. J. Cartledge, Esq., Judge of Probate for said County.  
Personally appears B. J. Rainford, who, being duly sworn, says that he  
saw Elbert Filmore Devore sign, seal, publish and declare the annexed instrument  
of writing, bearing date the 24<sup>th</sup> day of September, A. D. 1928 to be  
and contain his Last Will and Testament; that the said  
Elbert Filmore Devore was then of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, according to  
the best of deponent's knowledge and belief; and that the said B. J. Rainford (Deponent)  
together with Marie Jumbler and J. A. G. Dwyer at the request  
of the testator in his presence, and in the presence of each other, witnessed the due execution thereof.

Sworn to before me, this 26<sup>th</sup> day of January, Anno Domini 1935  
R. J. Cartledge Judge of Probate, Abbeville County, So. Car. GREENWOOD  
B. J. Rainford (Deponent)

ORDER ADMITTING WILL TO PROBATE IN COMMON FORM

On hearing the above petition of Elbert D. Devore  
it is hereby ordered, adjudged and decreed, That the petition be granted and the said Last Will and Testament, with codicil  
of Elbert Filmore Devore, deceased, be entered of Probate in  
Common Form.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court of Probate, this 26<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1935  
Robt. B. Currie  
Judge of Court of Probate, Abbeville County, So. Car.

QUALIFICATION FIDUCIARY

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,  
ABBEVILLE COUNTY.

We do solemnly swear, that this writing contains the true Last Will of the within named  
Elbert Filmore Devore deceased, so far as we know or believe;  
and that we will well and truly execute the same, by paying first the debts, and then the legacies contained in  
the said Will, as far as his goods and chattels will thereunto extend and the law charge on, and  
that we will make a true and perfect inventory of all such goods and chattels;  
So help us God.

Sworn to before me, this 26<sup>th</sup> day of January, Anno Domini 1935  
Robt. B. Currie Judge of Probate, Abbeville Co., S. C. Elbert D. Devore, Hosner Park, S. C.  
E. L. #bister, 210 S. Crowell,  
Greenwood, S. C.

Ernest Fillmore Devore

In the Name of God, Amen.

I, Ernest Fillmore Devore, now residing near Donalds, Abbeville County, but born and lived all my prior life within the confines of what is now Greenwood County and desire that my estate be settled in Greenwood County, said State hereby recoking and declaring null and void all former wills and testaments made by me heretofore, do hereby proclaim and declare this to be my last will and testament.

Item 1. I commit my soul to the gracious God who gave it, and direct that my body shall be decently interred under the steeple of Baptist Church and that a suitable monument be erected to mark my grave and that this expense as well as all other burial expenses incurred therefor be paid out of funds of my estate.

Item 2. I will and direct that my executors hereafter named, shall pay all of my just debts with the first money coming into their hands.

Item 3. In accordance with the expressed wish of my present beloved wife Mary Frances Devore, who has considerable property in her own right, that the greater part of my own property be willed to my children by my first wife, we both being passed middle age and having no children born to us, but both wishing our own relatives to have the greater part of our separate property, I will devise and bequeath to my beloved wife Mary Frances Devore all that piece, or parcel or lot of land near Donalds, S.C. containing about one half of an acre more or less, and adjoining the lot the residence owned by her, to be held in fee simple absolute and I will to her the sum of One Hundred Dollars to be paid at once by my Executors immediately upon my death for her support and maintenance until the funds hereby set aside for her support is paid as directed by Item Four, Seven and Eight of this will.

Item 4. I will and bequeath to my beloved wife, Mary Frances Devore for and during her whole natural life, or as long as she remains unmarried, the use of all my household furniture and I hereby direct my Executors to set aside the sum of Seven Thousand and Five Hundred Dollars as a trust fund to be kept in the bank from which the interest is to be paid my wife for her support during life, or until she remarries and this to be paid quarterly and in lieu of all claims of Dower, or any and all other interest in and to all real and personal property which I shall die seized and possessed of, the said interest being paid as soon as earned accrued from the Savings Deposit of the said Seven Thousand and Five Hundred Dollars.

Item 5. I will and bequeath to my daughter Eva Beatrice Timmerman and her husband Arthur Timmerman and Mary Emma Marbut the tract of land in Greenwood County containing One Hundred and Twenty Six acres more or less and this tract is to be divided between these in two parts as follows: To Eva Beatrice Timmerman and her husband, Arthur my old home place containing Seventy Four acres and to Mary Emma Marbut a tract containing Fifty Two acres known as the Goodwin place, the tract of Fifty Two acres devised to Mary Emma Marbut is in fee simple absolute, but impressed with a lien to my other heirs to the extent of assuring an equal division of my entire estate to all of my children. The tract of Seventy Four acres, my old home place, is devised to my daughter Eva Beatrice Timmerman and her husband Arthur Timmerman for life only, with remainder to their children and on the death of the survivor, this tract devised in fee simple absolute, to their children and should both Eva and Arthur die before their youngest child becomes Twenty One years old the land to be used for home for all Eva and Arthur's children and then to be divided when the youngest child becomes Twenty One years old and to be divided in kind or by sale as the majority of the children may direct, each child of Eva and Arthur is to receive an equal amount, and any deceased child of Eva and Arthur's leaving issue these heirs shall receive the part parent would have received if living. The tract further impressed with a lien to my other heirs to the extent of assuring an equal division of my estate among all of my children. These tracts of land so devised are to be valued as of and at the time of death by five of the citizens of the community and the value placed by these five is to be final and fixed so as to bring about and

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### PROOF OF WILL

Box: \_\_\_\_\_

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, }  
ABBEVILLE COUNTY. }

IN THE COURT OF PROBATE

Pack: \_\_\_\_\_

By \_\_\_\_\_, Esq., Judge of Probate for said County.

Personally appears \_\_\_\_\_, who, being duly sworn, says that he saw \_\_\_\_\_ sign, seal, publish and declare the annexed instrument of writing, bearing date the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, A. D. \_\_\_\_\_ to be and contain \_\_\_\_\_ Last Will and Testament; that the said \_\_\_\_\_ was then of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, according to the best of deponent's knowledge and belief; and that the said \_\_\_\_\_ (Deponent) together with \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ at the request of the testat \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ presence, and in the presence of each other, witnessed the due execution thereof.

Sworn to before me, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, Anno Domini 193\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Judge of Probate, Abbeville County, So. Car. (Deponent)

### ORDER ADMITTING WILL TO PROBATE IN COMMON FORM

On hearing the above petition of \_\_\_\_\_ it is hereby ordered, adjudged and decreed, That the petition be granted and the said Last Will and Testament, with codicil \_\_\_\_\_, of \_\_\_\_\_, deceased, be entered of Probate in Common Form.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court of Probate, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 193\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Judge of Court of Probate, Abbeville County, So. Car.

### QUALIFICATION FIDUCIARY

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, }  
ABBEVILLE COUNTY. }

\_\_\_\_\_ do solemnly swear, that this writing contains the true Last Will of the within named \_\_\_\_\_ deceased, so far as \_\_\_\_\_ know or believe; and that \_\_\_\_\_ will well and truly execute the same, by paying first the debts, and then the legacies contained in the said Will, as far as \_\_\_\_\_ goods and chattels will thereunto extend and the law charge \_\_\_\_\_, and that \_\_\_\_\_ will make a true and perfect inventory of all such goods and chattels; So help \_\_\_\_\_ God.

Sworn to before me, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, Anno Domini 193\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Judge of Probate, Abbeville Co., S. C.

Elbert Fillmore Devore - continued

equal division of my estate my five children. Should the land be valued at more than three  
two equal separate parts in my <sup>estate</sup> then these two shall account and pay over to the  
other an amount which will equalize the estate & make all of my children share and  
share alike in my entire estate.

Item 6 - I will and devise and bequeath to my five children an equal share of  
my estate, the children being as follows: Mattie Bell Hester, Eva Beatrice Timmer-  
man, Mary Emma Marbut, daughter and Jessie B. Devore and Elbert O. Devore sons  
these to share alike in the distribution of my estate. Eva Beatrice Timmerman and  
Mary Emma Marbut to account to the other three for any surplus in the land value,  
should this be the case, and should the rest of the personal property, and all other pro-  
perty, choses in action deposits in bank real property, or mixed be sufficient  
after the three, Mattie Bell Hester, Jessie B. Devore and Elbert O. Devore have  
received in money the equal of the land value with the other two then the remain-  
ing money shall be equally divided among all five at the final settlement of my  
estate and all amounts due to me by any or all of my children who are due me  
anything at my death shall be paid by them before they share in the distribution  
of my estate (to be deducted from the amount which may be their part in the  
estate before any payment is made to them by me executors).

Item 7 - It is my will and desire that my executors shall settle my es-  
tate in Greenwood County and they are hereby directed to collect all moneys  
that may be due me and have my estate appraised and the household furniture  
listed in my home which my wife is to have during her life time or remains  
unmarried and when she dies or remarries the household furniture is to be  
sold and the money divided or the said furniture divided among them as they may  
desire. The Seven Thousand and Five Hundred Dollars <sup>interest</sup> to be place in bank at  
interest for my wife's support and in lieu of dower, the interest of which  
money deposited to be paid her quarterly and at her death or remarries this Seven  
Thousand and Five Hundred Dollars shall be equally divided among all my  
children living and the children or heirs of any deceased child to receive the  
share the parent would have received if living.

Item 8 - I hereby nominate, constitute and appoint my son Elbert O.  
Devore and my son-in-law Edward S. Hester to be the executors of this my last  
will and testament giving them full power to sell and dispose of all real estate  
not above disposed of should there be any, and power to make conveyance as above  
directed should it be found desirable to do this, full power to collect all debts due the  
estate and make a full and just settlement as herein directed.

The executors are hereby directed to make conveyance to my wife of the lot of land near  
Dundas described in Item three in the will and obtain the endorsement of my wife's  
dower in the two tracts of land to Eva and Luther Timmerman and their children and  
to Mary Emma Marbut. My automobile is to be sold at my death and this fund added to  
my estate. The executors are hereby specifically charged and directed to set aside from fund  
of my estate the sum of Seven Thousand and Five Hundred Dollars which is to be kept  
in bank at interest and the interest is to be paid quarterly to my beloved wife Mary  
Frances Devore for and during her whole natural life or until she remarries for her  
support and care and in lieu of dower and when this need for her support and care  
has ceased to exist by her death or remarriage, then this Seven Thousand and Five Hundred  
Dollars is to be equally divided among my children making all share and share alike in the  
distribution of my estate, the children of any deceased parent to receive the part the parent would  
have received if living. Any child dying without children the fund is to be distributed a-  
mong the other heirs of the one dying.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 29<sup>th</sup> day of September,  
A. D., 1928.

Elbert Fillmore Devore (Seal)

Signed, sealed, published and declared by Elbert Fillmore Devore as and for his last will  
and testament in the presence of us, who in his presence and of each other at his request,  
have subscribed our names as witnesses.  
Marie Fumblin; B. T. Rainford; D. L. S. Duztal

File:

Box 343

Pack 8710

### PROOF OF WILL

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,  
ABBEVILLE COUNTY.

IN THE COURT OF PROBATE

By Adrian B. Currie, Esq., Judge of Probate for said County.

Personally appears Samuel J. Todd, who, being duly sworn, says that he saw (Witness) Wifred W. Markham sign, seal, publish and declare the annexed instrument of writing, bearing date the 16<sup>th</sup> day of May, A. D. 1934 to be and contain his Last Will and Testament; that the said (Witness) Wifred W. Markham was then of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, according to

the best of deponent's knowledge and belief; and that the said Samuel J. Todd (Deponent) together with R. B. Mudge and Mary Brooks at the request of the testator in his presence, and in the presence of each other, witnessed the due execution thereof.

Sworn to before me, this 16<sup>th</sup> day of February, Anno Domini 1935.  
Ad. B. Currie  
Judge of Probate, Abbeville County, So. Car.

S. J. Todd  
(Deponent)

### ORDER ADMITTING WILL TO PROBATE IN COMMON FORM

On hearing the above petition of (Mrs.) Emma Zimmerman Markham it is hereby ordered, adjudged and decreed, That the petition be granted and the said Last Will and Testament, with codicil of (Witness) Wifred W. Markham, deceased, be entered of Probate in Common Form.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court of Probate, this 16<sup>th</sup> day of February, 1935.  
Ad. B. Currie  
Judge of Court of Probate, Abbeville County, So. Car.

### QUALIFICATION FIDUCIARY

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,  
ABBEVILLE COUNTY.

I do solemnly swear, that this writing contains the true Last Will of the within named (Witness) Wifred W. Markham deceased, so far as I know or believe; and that I will well and truly execute the same, by paying first the debts, and then the legacies contained in the said Will, as far as his goods and chattels will thereunto extend and the law charge me, and that I will make a true and perfect inventory of all such goods and chattels; So help me God.

Sworn to before me, this 16<sup>th</sup> day of February, Anno Domini 1935.  
Ad. B. Currie  
Judge of Probate, Abbeville Co., S. C.

Mrs Emma Zimmerman Markham  
Due West, South Carolina.

I, Willfred A. Markham, of Due West, Abbeville County State of South Carolina, being of sound mind and memory, pleased to Almighty God for the same, do make and publish this my last will and testament. That is to say:

First:

I will and bequeath to my beloved wife, Emma Zimmerman Markham, my house and lot located on Main Street in the town of Due West, S.C. Said lot containing about two acres known as the Honey place, to hold and enjoy during the time of her natural life and at her death to be disposed of as provided for in paragraph second of this my last will and testament.

Second:

At the time of the death of my wife, Emma Zimmerman Markham, I will and bequeath to my two daughters, Ada Markham Chapman and Mary Markham Baker share and share alike the house and lot which I willed and bequeathed to my wife, Emma Zimmerman Markham, during the term of her natural life and described in paragraph first. The disposition and direction of said house and lot to be left entirely to the discretion of the said two daughters.

Third:

I will and bequeath to my wife, Emma Zimmerman Markham all my right, title and interest in the stocks of dry goods, groceries and general merchandise now located in the town of Due West or wherever it may hereafter be moved, together with all fixtures and accounts in any way connected with the said mercantile business, provided however that this paragraph of my will shall be void and of no effect if my wife, the said Emma Zimmerman Markham, should predecease me.

Fourth:

I will and bequeath that all property of every kind of which I may die possessed not provided for in the foregoing items of my will shall be equally divided between my daughters Rosa Markham Ballinger, Ada Markham Chapman, and Mary Markham Baker, share and share alike.

Fifth:

I hereby appoint my wife, Emma Zimmerman Markham executrix of this my last will and testament.

Sixth:

I hereby revoke all former wills made by me. Signed at Due West, S.C. this the 19<sup>th</sup> day of May, A.D. 1934.

Signed in the presence of:

Willfred A. Markham.

R. B. McJill  
S. J. Todd  
Mary Brooks

and in the presence  
of each other.



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PROOF OF WILL

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, }  
ABBEVILLE COUNTY.

IN THE COURT OF PROBATE

By Addison B. Carville, Esq., Judge of Probate for said County.

Personally appears Ruth Mundy, who, being duly sworn, says that she saw (Miss) Enal Ellen sign, seal, publish and declare the annexed instrument of writing, bearing date the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of December, A. D. 1934 to be and contain her Last Will and Testament; that the said (Miss) Enal Ellen was then of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, according to

the best of deponent's knowledge and belief; and that the said Ruth Mundy (Deponent) together with W. B. Lamb and Mary Callahan at the request of the testatrix in her presence, and in the presence of each other, witnessed the due execution thereof.

Sworn to before me, this 19<sup>th</sup> day of February, Anno Domini 1935  
Add. B. Carville  
Judge of Probate, Abbeville County, S. C.

Ruth Mundy (Deponent)

ORDER ADMITTING WILL TO PROBATE IN COMMON FORM

On hearing the above petition of (Mrs) Grace E. Pearson and (Mrs) Addie E. Hagan it is hereby ordered, adjudged and decreed, That the petition be granted and the said Last Will and Testament, with codicil of (Miss) Enal Ellen, deceased, be entered of Probate in Common Form.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court of Probate, this 19<sup>th</sup> day of February, 1935  
Add. B. Carville  
Judge of Court of Probate, Abbeville County, S. C.

QUALIFICATION FIDUCIARY

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, }  
ABBEVILLE COUNTY.

We do solemnly swear, that this writing contains the true Last Will of the within named (Miss) Enal Ellen deceased, so far as we know or believe; and that we will well and truly execute the same, by paying first the debts, and then the legacies contained in the said Will, as far as her goods and chattels will thereunto extend and the law charge we, and that we will make a true and perfect inventory of all such goods and chattels; So help us God.

Sworn to before me, this 19<sup>th</sup> day of February, Anno Domini 1935  
Add. B. Carville  
Judge of Probate, Abbeville Co., S. C.

Grace Ellen Pearson, Greenville, S. C.  
Addie E. Hagan, Due Art, S. C.

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,  
COUNTY OF ABBEVILLE.

The Last Will and Testament of:  
(Miss) Ernel Ellis.

In the name of God, Amen:

I, Ernel Ellis, of Due West, County of Abbeville, State of South Carolina, being of sound and disposing mind and memory and desiring to make such disposition of my worldly estate as I deem best, do hereby make, publish and declare this to be my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking any and all former wills and codicils whatever by me made.

First: I direct that all my just debts and funeral expenses be paid out of my estate as soon after my decease as conveniently may be and to that end charge my whole estate, real and personal, with the same.

Second: I give, devise and bequeath to my two sisters, Grace Ellis Pearson and Abbie Ellis Hagan, all my property of whatsoever kind and whatsoever estate, real and personal, in fee simple absolute.

I nominate and appoint my two sisters, Grace Ellis Pearson and Abbie Ellis Hagan, to be the Executrices of this my Last Will and Testament.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal to this my Last Will and Testament at Abbeville, South Carolina, this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of December, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Thity-four.

Ernel Ellis (Seal)

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the said Ernel Ellis as and for her last will and Testament in the presence of us, who in her presence, at her request and in the presence of one another, all present together, have herunto subscribed our names as witnesses.

J. B. Ford  
Mary Callahan  
R. M. Munday