

of Sebastian County, State of Arkansas, which will purports to have been signed in the presence of F. B. Dunlop and R. C. Coogan, subscribing witnesses thereto, and said will being offered for probate, the said F. B. Dunlop and said R. C. Coogan, and each of them, being present in open court, and each of them having been duly sworn, and each of them having been examined in open court touching the execution of said will, and the Court having heard the evidence and being well and sufficiently advised in the premises, doth find:

That said C. E. Speer died on the 24th day of August, 1916; that he was at the time of his death and at the time of the execution of the will here presented a citizen and resident of the City of Fort Smith in the Fort Smith District of Sebastian County, State of Arkansas; that he was on the date of the execution of said will, to-wit: on the 21st day of January, 1911, over the age of twenty-one years and of sound and disposing mind and memory; that the said instrument in writing dated the 21st day of January, 1911, and which is offered here for probate is the last will and testament of the said C. E. Speer, deceased, and that it was executed by the said C. E. Speer at the time and place mentioned in said instrument; that it was subscribed by the testator at the end of the will; that such subscription was made by said Testator in the presence of each of the subscribing witnesses, F. B. Dunlop and R. C. Coogan; that said testator at the time of making such subscription declared the instrument so subscribed to be his last will and testament, and that each of said attesting witnesses signed his name as a witness at the end of said will at the request of said testator in his presence and in the presence of each other; and the Court doth find that the subscriptions to said instrument are genuine, and that the instrument which is produced in open court is the identical one which the said attesting witnesses witnessed and saw the said C. E. Speer sign.

It is therefore by the Court considered, ordered, adjudged and decreed that said instrument in writing be admitted to probate as the last will and testament of said C. E. Speer, deceased, and that same, together with the proof and examination shall be recorded by the Clerk of this Court, and remain in this office as the law directs. (p)

SEBASTIAN PROBATE COURT, Ft. SMITH DISTRICT JULY TERM 1916.

August 31, 1916.

In the matter of the Last Will and Testament

of

C. E. Speer, Deceased.

Now on this 31st day of August, 1916, there being presented in open court the affidavit and application of John C. Gardner for letters testamentary upon the Estate of C. E. Speer, deceased, together with a bond in the sum of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars, with W. J. Echols and R. J. Speer and F. J. Speer as sureties and it appearing to the Court that said John C. Gardner is by the Last will and Testament of said C. E. Speer, deceased, nominated and appointed executor of said last will and testament, and that said last will and testament has been duly probated in this Court.

It is therefore by the Court considered, ordered, adjudged and decreed that said John C. Gardner be, and he is hereby, appointed and constituted executor of the last will and testament of said C. E. Speer, deceased, and that the bond of said John C. Gardner as executor be and the same is hereby approved. (p)

SEBASTIAN PROBATE COURT, Ft. SMITH DISTRICT OCTOBER TERM 1920.

January 6th, 1921.

In the matter of the Estate

of

C. E. Speer, Deceased.