



CHAPTER 31
ARTICLE 7 - CONSTRUCTION OF WILL

N.C.G.S. § 31-46.

Validity of will; which laws govern.

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A will is valid if it meets the requirements of the applicable provisions of law in effect in this State either at the time of its execution or at the time of the death of the testator, or if any of the following apply:

The will's execution complied with the law of the jurisdiction in which the testator was physically present at the time of execution.

Its execution complied with the law of the place where the testator was domiciled at the time of execution or at the time of death.

It is a military testamentary instrument executed in accordance with the provisions of 10 U.S.C. § 1044d or any successor or replacement statute.

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APPARATUS I
3 ACTS

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01	1953	c. 1098, s. 14	ENACTED	
02	2013	S.L. 2013-91, s. 1(g)	AMENDED	
03	2019	S.L. 2019-178, s. 3(b)	AMENDED	

APPARATUS III

Citation

FULL SECTION

N.C. Gen. Stat. § 31-46 (2019).

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