

follow, or be after or under the clause of attestation either with or without a blank space intervening, or shall follow, or be after, or under or beside the names, or one of the names, of the subscribing witnesses, or by the circumstance that the signature shall be on a side or page or other portion of the paper or papers containing the Will whereon no clause or paragraph or disposing part of the Will shall be written above the signature, or by the circumstance that there shall appear to be sufficient space on or at the bottom of the preceding side or page, or other portion of the same paper on which the Will is written, to contain the signature; and the enumeration of the above circumstances shall not restrict the generality of the above enactment; but no signature under this Act shall be operative to give effect to any disposition or direction which is underneath or which follows it, nor shall it give effect to any disposition or direction inserted after the signature shall be made.

Signature must be after the clause it is to affect.

VIII. No appointment made by Will, in exercise of any power, shall be valid, unless the same be executed in manner hereinbefore required; and every Will executed in manner hereinbefore required shall, so far as respects the execution and attestation thereof, be a valid execution of a power of appointment by Will, notwithstanding it shall have been expressly required that a Will made in exercise of such power should be executed with some additional or other form of execution or solemnity.

Will executed as required by this Act, and none other, to be valid in execution of a power of appointment by Will.

IX. Any soldier, being in actual military service, or any mariner or seaman, being at sea, may dispose of his personal estate as he might have done before the making of this Act.

Wills of mariners or soldiers on service.

X. Every Will executed in manner hereinbefore required shall be valid without any other publication thereof.

No further publication required.

XI. If any person who shall attest the execution of a Will shall, at the time of the execution thereof, or at any time afterwards, be incompetent to be admitted a witness to prove the execution thereof, such Will shall not on that account be invalid.

Will not invalidated by incompetency of a witness.

XII. If any person shall attest the execution of any Will to whom or to whose wife or husband any beneficial devise, legacy, estate, interest, gift or appointment of or affecting any real or personal estate (other than and except charges and directions for the payment of any debt or debts), shall be thereby given or made, such devise, legacy, estate, interest, gift or appointment shall, so far only as concerns such person attesting the execution of such Will, or the wife or husband of such person, or any person claiming under such person, or wife or husband, be utterly null and void, and such person so attesting shall be admitted as a witness to prove the execution of such Will, or to prove the validity or invalidity thereof, notwithstanding

Legacy or devise to an attesting witness to be void; and he may prove the validity or invalidity of the Will.