

George W.
Shackelford

I George W. Shackelford being of sound mind and disposing memory do make this my last will and testament, I desire my wife Julia to have the place on which I now reside together with all buildings thereon so long as she may live and at her death, I give it to my son.

Marius R. Shackelford, I give to my daughter Mary Ruth the place called and known as the Chappees. The woods lands adjoining the last named place I desire both my wife and daughter to use for the purpose of getting wood and at my wife's death I desire it to be equally divided between my son Marius R. and my daughter Mary Ruth. I desire that one thousand dollars shall be invested in some safe way for the benefit of my said son Marius R. and my daughter Mary Ruth & as soon as Mary Ruth becomes of age or if she should marry before she becomes of age then I desire she shall have her half of this said amount and as soon as Marius becomes of age I desire he shall have his portion, and in case either of these last named should die before arriving at his or her majority and without issue then I desire the survivor to have the whole of the said thousand dollars. I leave all of the personal property now in the place on which I now reside to my wife for her use and the benefit of each of my children as may continue to live with her and my wife is to have full authority to dispose of the same in manner as she pleases, so much of property as may be necessary for her use or may be necessary for the support of herself and family except one feather bed and bedstead which I desire shall be given to my daughter Sabitha C. I desire that five hundred dollars shall be loaned out and that my wife shall have the interest on the same during her life and at her death

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Sabitha E. I desire that five hundred dollars shall be loaned me and that
my wife shall have the interest on the same during her life and it stands
that it shall be divided equally between all my Children except
my son James Edward. To my son James Edward I give one hundred
dollars in full of all his interest whatever in my estate both real
personal and the amt. I desire to be paid to him on the 1st of next January
I desire that my vessel the Hattie Ann shall be held and used in my
Oyster business until 1st of next April. Then I wish her to be sold. my
skiffs, Sloop & other boats which are now a part of my outfit for carrying on
the Oyster business to remain as they are until all of my planted Oysters
are disposed of then I desire all of them to be sold except one skiff
called & known as the Crystal Palace which I then give to my son Benj. F.
The proceeds of the sale of the vessel and the boats mentioned as a part
of the outfit for carrying the Oyster business I desire to be equally divided between
the following names of my Children. Benj. F., George William, Joseph Leroy,
Sabitha E., Mary Ruth, and Marion Raymond. I desire that my son Benj. F.
shall continue to manage my Oyster business until the same can be finally
closed up, in view that he may successfully do this he has full
power to hold all skiffs & other boats except the vessel and all things
which I now use so long as it may be necessary to do so but I
desire that he shall dispose of all my planted Oysters as soon as
it may be to his advantage. One half of the proceeds of the sale
of the planted Oysters I give to ^{my} wife and her Children the other
half I wish divided between my Children as follows. Benj. F.
George William, Mr. Susan Ruth, Joseph Leroy & Sabitha E. To my son
Benj. F. I give ten acres of land and the dwelling house and all

the out buildings, situated in York county where he now resides. He the said Benf. J. to pay over to my other children the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars to be equally divided between them as follows, George William, Mrs. Susan Rorer, Joseph Sney, Patience E. Manius R. and Mary Ruth. The rest of my farm in York County. I wish sold as soon as a satisfactory price can be obtained for it, and I wish the proceeds of the sale of this land divided equally, between all of my children except Benf. J. I already having provided for him to have his portion of it. In the division of the proceeds of the sale of the land. I wish my son James Edward to share equally with the rest. I desire that all of the apple planting ground situated in York County and adjoining the land which I own there and which I have recently leased from the state for twenty years, shall be held as long as it may be profitable, for the benefit of my wife and all of my children except James Edward. I desire that my son Benf. J. shall have a reasonable and fair compensation for his services while he is in charge of my apple business. I hereby request Charles Caffell and my son Benf. J. to qualify as my Executors.

Witness my hand & seal this the 1st day of July 1892

Geo. M. Shackelford (seal)

Witness

J. H. P. Seawell

G. L. Milburn

At a county court begun and held for Gloucester County at the Court house on Thursday August 1st 1892

This instrument of writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Geo. M. Shackelford was produced in court, and fully proved by

on Thursday August 1st 1892.

The instrument of writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Geo W. Shackelford and was this day produced in court, and fully proved by the oath of J. H. P. Searles one of the Subscribing witnesses thereto who also made oath that the said last will and testament was acknowledged by the said Geo W. Shackelford in the presence of himself and G. L. Milburn the other Subscribing witnesses thereto and that the said Geo W. Shackelford, J. H. P. Searles and G. L. Milburn were present at the same time when the said last will and testament was acknowledged by the said Geo W. Shackelford and that the said J. H. P. Searles and G. L. Milburn did subscribe the said last will and testament in the presence of the said Geo W. Shackelford. It is therefore ordered that the said will be received as the last will and testament of the said Geo W. Shackelford, And on motion of Charles Cattell one of the Executors named in said will who made oath as the law directs and entered into a bond in the penalty of fifteen Thousand dollars conditioned according to law with Mayne Jones S. Cattell, B. A. Ruro and P. B. Cattell his sureties who qualified on oath as to their sufficiency, which said bond being acknowledged by the obligors therein is ordered to be received. Certificate is granted the said Chas Cattell for obtaining probate of the said will in due form, liberty being reserved to B. S. Shackelford the other Executor in said will named to join in said probate when he shall think fit; and on motion of the said Charles Cattell J. H. P. Searles J. M. Carmines, J. D. Fosque, W. B. Hogg & J. R. Bridges are appointed appraisers of said Estate and the said will is received.

Attest C. V. Corbin Clk for
S. B. Chapman Clk