

I Martha E Spencer wife of Wm S. Spencer of the County of James City & State of Virginia being weak in bodily health but of sound mind and memory and bearing in mind the Certainty of Death and not knowing when I shall be Called upon to resign my mortal existence do hereby declare this instrument of Writing to be my last will and testament hereby revoking all other wills heretofore made by me.

Item 1 I leave to my beloved Husband Wm S. Spencer during his Natural life, the plantation on which I now reside, which was deeded to me & my heirs by William S. Drucutt & Harriet to his wife of the City of Mobile State of Alabama which deed is recorded in the Clerks office of the City of Lumburg & James City Co and Called Locust Hill, and at his death I wish that portion of the Farm containing the dwelling & other Houses lying west of the road leading to Jollys Mill I give and bequeath to my five sons Dowitt, Wm. J. B. & D. M. G. & Robert Lee Spencer to them and their heirs for ever to be equally divided between them, with no feeling of unkindness to my four married Daughters who are better provided for than my boys above named.

2nd I give and bequeath to my youngest son Robert Lee Spencer his heirs and assigns the piece of land lying on the East side of the road leading to Jollys Mill (Called the mill field) In consequence of his Youth which I wish used to aid him in his Support and Education -

3rd I give to my son M. G. Spencer his heirs and assigns for ever my Gold watch, and it is my wish and desire for my five sons above named as soon as they get possession of the said property or earlier if they can to pay to Dr Charles W Coleman my attending Physician Twenty Dollars each for his long and kind attention to me in my long and protracted illness as a physician

Lastly. I appoint my two eldest sons William S. Spencer & Dowitt Spencer my Executors to Carry out my wishes and request them to act without delay.

In Witness

Whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 23rd day of November
in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Twenty Seven

Witness
D. W. Spencer
W. J. Minor

Martha E. Spencer



At a Court held for James City County, and
the City of Williamsburg, at the Court house
thereof in said City on Monday the 13th day
of May 1878.

A Writing purporting to be the last will and testament
of Martha E. Spencer deceased, was this day presented to Court, and
upon the testimony of W. J. Minor a subscribing witness thereto, who made
oath that Martha E. Spencer deceased, acknowledged and subscribed the same
as her last will and testament in his presence, and in the presence of D. W.
Spencer the other subscribing witness thereto, they being present at the same
time, and he the said W. J. Minor and D. W. Spencer at the request of the
testatrix and in her presence and in the presence of each other subscri-
bed the same as witnesses. Which said will and testament being fully
proven to the satisfaction of the Court. doth Order that said writing
be recorded as and for the last will and testament of Martha E.
Spencer deceased.

Teste.

C. C. Dixon J. C.