

Georgia
Baker County

In the name of God - Amen

I, W. H. Stamps of said State and County

being of advanced age and knowing that I must shortly die deem it right and proper both respects myself and family that I should make disposition of the property and estate that I may have at my death and that I have at present - Therefore I make this my last Will and Testament - revoking all others Wills heretofore made by me

Item 1st I think it unnecessary to say what shall be done with my body That I leave with such friends as I have in the world

Item 2nd I desire all of my just debts to be paid as soon as possible consistent with the interest of my Estate

Item 3rd As for my worldly effects I dispose of them as follows hereinafter written To my wife Elizabeth Stamps I give my mare and Bridle which I own worth as much as the one she had at our marriage I also give her all the effects she had when I married her I also give her seventy five Dollars per year as long as she lives or remains my widow to be paid at the end of the year to be paid by my Executor I think that as much as I should give her

Item 4th To my son James W. Stamps my oldest son & child I give one fifth of my estate on these conditions My heirs and I don't desire to be subject to any duty by them during their life at their death to go to the children and their interest in my Estate to be controlled by my Executor for their benefit till they become of age or marry then my Executor to pay them their part of my Estate taking into consideration to hold enough of each of my heirs sufficient to pay what my wife shall be entitled to before she dies

Item 5th I give to my son Thos. D. Stamps and his three children Susan F. Christian Everett W. Stammell and Mary L. Starnes one fifth part of my Estate and their heirs on these conditions all the interest now in the Red Mountain Iron & Coal Company I give to them and their heirs I mean those of the body My Executor to hold what he may think necessary in winding up the Estate

Item 6th I give to my son and wife and three children of W. H. Stamps one fifth part of my Estate

all of my Estate except my interest in the Red Iron & Coal Company in Alabama I give my Daughter in law equal share of one fifth with her three children the fifth interest in the Red Iron & Coal Company I give to the children and the heirs of their body should they die without heirs or their heirs die without heirs, or their heirs die to revert back to the other heirs also all of the rest of my Estate they may get under this Will to under such circumstances of death My Executor to manage as he may think best for the children and mother My Executor holding sufficient to pay expenses of each ones part to all expenses and pay what I set apart for my wife's support and what I will set apart for the schooling of my Grandson Wm D. Stamper I give five hundred Dollars to school him and my Executor to manage it for his best interest - This five hundred Dollars set apart I shall take from Charles M. Ridley's part as I think his mother had more than the rest.

7th I give to my Grandson Charles I Ridley one fifth part of my Estate five hundred Dollars short which I have set apart for reason above stated This part of my Estate I give on the following conditions should he die leaving no heirs of his body of his share of my Estate to revert back to the heirs subject to such division as I have made with the rest of my estate all the interest I hold in the Red Mountain Iron & Coal Company in Alabama I give him one fifth interest to him and the heirs of his body not subject to sale during his life all benefit that may be subject to distribution he is entitled to receive and enjoy as he may think best - My Executor take out of the Estate such sums as he may be necessary to defray all expenses he may have to defray.

8th I give to my son Wm D. Stamper one fifth part of my Estate But my interest in the Red Iron & Coal Company in Alabama that I give him during his life time then to go to the heirs of his body I also appoint him my Executor to my Will. To wind up my Estate as soon as he can for the best interest of the Estate The three tracts of Land in Baker County No 392 #393 #394 all in

the 7th District of said County I desire ~~and~~ in three pay-
ments One third cash The other two thirds in one and two
years Deeds to be made and Mortgage to be in the other
two payments. all other property to be sold as soon as my
Executor may think best for the interest of the Estate.
There is nothing more that I desire to recommend this
my last will and Testament. This 1868.
Signed sealed and Attested with the undersigned
Witnesses
Signed John F. Griffin
James W. Nichols
Wilson L. Sperlin
Signed M. W. Stampen

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To the Hon Ordinary of said County.

The petition of Manning P. Stamper as Executor
of the Last Will & Testament of Martin P. Stamper
deceased respectfully sheweth that in the year 1868
the said Martin P. Stamper made his last Will & Testa-
ment who afterwards on the _____ day of 1871 departed
this life. That said Will was probated as the Law directs in
due and solemn form and was recorded in Office of the
Ordinary of said County where said original was also
deposited of which the said original the written and
foregoing is a substantial copy and that afterwards to-
wit on the 17th day of December 1873 the same both the
original and record thereof were burned and destroyed by
fire in the Court House in said County.

Wherefore your Petitioner prays that an order be gran-
ted establishing the written and foregoing copy in lieu thereof
of said last original will to all intents and purposes.

Further prays that all the heirs & Legatees be notified of
this proceeding And your petitioner will ever pray.

Angena C. Bower
Petitioner & Atty

Georgia
Early County 3 Imperson came before me M. G. Stamper
3 Executor of the Last Will & Test
Martin St. Stamper deceased who as
sworn & depose that with the above foregoing
stantials a true copy of the original Last
will of the aforesaid Martin St. Stamper
Ged by him as aforesaid and that he

the foregoing petition are true To the best of his
knowledge & recollection and belief
Sworn to and subscribed
before me this the 1st day of Feb 1874
James P. Jones
Ord

Georgia
Baker County } Court of Ordinary of said County
November Term 1874

Upon hearing & considering the foregoing petition
and after examination of the within and foregoing copy
Will and also after having heard the evidence of John
F. Griffin & Wilson I. Sperlin two of the subscribing
witnesses to said Original Will James M. Nichols the other
of said witnesses being dead who were examined before me in
open Court upon this subject and they having declared on their
oath to the best of their recollection and belief that the afore-
said copy is substantially a true copy of the Original
last Will of the said Martin M. Stampen to which they
were witnesses with one James M. Nichols who is now dead
and that they saw the said Martin M. Stampen sign said
Will which was done in their presence and in the presence
of the said Nichols and that the said Nichols signed the
same as a witness in their presence and all the heirs
at Law and parties at interest having been notified.
It is therefore ordered by the Court that this said
copy Will be and the same is hereby established in lieu of
the said destroyed Original Will to all intents & purposes
and the same be recorded as such & be admitted to record
in the Court House in open Court. This 1st day of Feb^y
1875-

James P. Broadaway
Ordinary

Recorded Feb^y 10th 1875 -
Jas P. Broadaway
Ordinary

the foregoing petition are true To the best of his
Knowledge & recollection and belief
Sworn to and subscribed
before me this the 12th day of } M. C. Stamper Exr
Feb'y 1874 }
James B Jones
Ord

County } Court of Ordinary of said County
County } November Term 1874
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1875
James D. Broadaway
Ordinary

Recorded Feb'y 16th 1875 -
Jas D. Broadaway
Ordinary