

Now I Set in the hands of my Lawyer J. C. Jackson
of Bartow County of Said State and County living in good health
and knowing that I must shortly depart from this world
unless I take a charge for the better.

It is right and proper both as respects myself and my
family that I should make a disposition of the property
with which a kind Providence has blessed me.

Therefore make this my last will and testament hereby
mentioning and averring all others heretofore made by me
hereby I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Margaret
Eliza Jackson for and during her natural life four negroes
and their increase and at her death the four negroes and
their increase is to be divided equally between my blood
children the names of the four negroes is as follows

Bill a man about twenty four years of age his wife Marion
about twenty two years of age and their infant child
about four months old named Mary and one girl named
Beth about two years old.

Item second I give and bequeath to my beloved wife our Negro
Margaret two horses she is to have choice of the six horses
of horses that I have I also give her my Rockaway
Carriage and Harness also all of the house hold and kitchen
furniture that I have at this time

Item third I give and bequeath to my son William Hales our fine
gold watch and chain also two thousand dollars in Cash to be
put out at interest and compounded every year until he
becomes twenty five years of age

Item fourth I give and bequeath to my daughter Eliza and our
one hundred dollars in Cash to be put out at interest and com-
pounded every year until she is twenty five years of age
if at any time my wife is pregnant should she be delivered of a

Cash for it to be put out at interest until the time of her death or as the case may be. I give my wife two years of time.

My Fifth I do now that my wife should make the delivery of a living Child wish that the Thousand Dollars that is bequeathed back to her, equally divided between my other two children William Williams and Florence.

My Sixth I order all the balance of my property to be sold that is not named in the first and second items of my will consisting of three negroes namely Grandson man about forty years of age and a man about thirty years of age with a girl about twenty four years of age also one wagon and four head horses and other property not named in this will.

My Eighth I order my Executor to buy a farm for my beloved wife and furnish farming utensils and provisions and stock &c in proportion to the force that she will have and the amount of money to buy with after paying the thousand dollars that is named in the third fourth and fifth items of this my last will.

My Ninth I order the land to be bought in the name of my beloved wife and for her use and the use support of my children.

My Tenth Should it please an all wise Providence to take my beloved wife from this world I wish for the farm and farming utensils stock &c to be sold and proceeds to be equally divided among my children.

My Eleventh Provided my wife should not be able to educate my children from the proceeds of the farm I order this guardian to take of each ones share a sufficient amount only to pay their schooling.

My Twelfth Should it please an all wise Providence to take either of my children from this world I order that his share shall be divided equally between the balance of my dear children.

My Thirteenth The Negro man died leaving orders to be sold is in the state of North Carolina and I order my Executor to have him brought to Georgia before sold.

My Fourteenth I appoint my Trusty and worthy Brother J. A. Jackson of Bartow County Georgia my Guardian for the person and property of all my dear children.

My Fifteenth I constitute and appoint my brother

will and Testament this the 1st day of November 1853
Signed Sealed and published by J. H. Jackson as his
last will and Testament in the presence of the subscribers
and subscribed our names witness in the presence of said
testators of each other this the 1st day November 1853
Joshua Groover
Newt Banks
Josiah Groover

Court of Ordinary Thomas County March Term 1853

Thomas County Before me J. H. Proko Ordinary and for said
County being Newt Banks and Josiah Groover witnesses to the last
will and testament of James H. Jackson deceased and produced
the said will which witness being duly sworn deposeth and saith
that they saw James H. Jackson the testator sign said declaration
and published the instrument so as presented, as his last will
and Testament freely voluntarily and of his own accord
and without any compulsion or influence whatever that at
the time of the execution of the said will said testator was
of sound and disposing mind and moreover that deponents
saw said will as witness in the presence of the testator
and at his special instance and request and in the presence of
each other

Subscribed before me this 1st March 1853,

In open Court
J. H. Proko Ordinary
Thomas County

Newt Banks
Josiah Groover

Court of Ordinary March Regular Term
March 5th 1853

Josiah Groover and Newt Banks witnesses to the last will and
testament of James H. Jackson deceased having produced said
will in open Court and found the same upon the oath of
Joshua Groover and Newt Banks and the said witness
affidavit that the testator signed sealed and
published said instrument as his will and Testament freely
and voluntarily and of his own accord and without
any compulsion or influence whatever that at the
time of the execution of the said will said testator was of sound and
disposing mind and moreover that witness
saw as witness in the presence of testator

back of the witness. This form being satisfactory to the said
It is ordered that said will and Testament of James H. Jackson
deceased be made the law in the State of Georgia to be witnessed by
Wm. W. Thomas of the Law of the State of Georgia in which
Came into & provided.

N. W. Morris, Notary

Doth now make & publish my last will & Testament in the County of Bartow in this writing contains the true last will of the within named James H. Jackson deceased so far as I know or believe and that I will make fully except the same by paying first the debts and then the legacies contained in the said will as far as his goods and chattels will then and extend and the same charged me and that I will make a full and perfect inventory of all such goods and chattels So this 1st day of June 1853 and Subscribed before me on the 1st day of June 1853-

Attest

Thos A. Ford

Notary

J. H. Jackson

Recorded June 1st 1853

Thos A. Ford Notary

In the name of God Amen I James Smith son of the
County of Bartow and State of Georgia being of sound mind
and memory and considering the uncertainty of this life
and transitory life do therefore make Ordain publish and
declare this to be my last will and Testament
That is to say first after all my law full debts and
paid and discharged the residue of my Estate real
and personal in Cluding Household and Kitchen furniture
I give and bequeath unto my two daughters Mary
Smith and Nancy Smith sum to be divided between
them share and share alike.

In witness whereof I have hereunto Subscribed my hand
and affixed my seal this fourteenth day of April in the
year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and fifty
five.

J. H. Jackson

Seal attached