

Last Will and Testament of John Brown.

Georgia Berrien County

I, John Brown of said state and county being of sound disposing mind and memory, do make this my last will and testament.

Item 1.

I wish my executor, as soon as possible after my death to pay my debts, should there be any.

Item 2.

I give to my beloved wife, Sammie Barceny your Brown the property to wit:

More or less of lot of land No. 51 in the 9th land district of Berrien county, Georgia, and bounded as follows: Starting at the North West corner of the tract at an agreed corner on the original line directly west of the head of Opocum drain running south on the original line to an agreed corner on a line dividing lot No. 51 in half thence easterly on said dividing line to the run of gum branch then Northward along the run of Gum Branch to the mouth of Opocum drain being an agreed corner then Westward along the run of Opocum drain to its head, and then directly west to the agreed corner at the starting point.

Also all household furniture and kitchen furniture, and piano, and any luggage on the place, and any automobile, and a wagon on the home place.

Item 3.

I give to my son, Walter W. Brown, the following property to wit:

More or less of lots of land Nos. 42 & 51 in the 9th district of Berrien county, Georgia, there being about 80 acres in lot No. 42, and about 30 acres in lot No. 51, all being bounded as follows: Starting at the North West corner of the tract at an agreed corner on a line dividing in half land lot No. 42, running south on the original line to an agreed corner directly west of the head of Opocum drain then east to head of Opocum drain.

following run of drain to an agreed corner, then in a northerly direction to an agreed corner dividing ridge of land half way between Gum Branch and Drain on line dividing in half lot of land No. 42, then westward on said dividing line to an agreed corner, being the starting point
Item 4.

I give to my son, Samuel Brown, the following property, to wit:

120 acres more or less, of lot of land No. 52 in the 9th land district of Berrien County, Georgia and bounded as follows: Commencing at the Northeast corner of lot of land No. 52, and running west along the original land line to an agreed corner with J. M. Simmons said corner being on the dividing line of said lot, then south along said dividing line to the head of a drain, then running eastward down the run of said drain to Gully Branch at an agreed corner at mouth of drain, then North along the run of Gully Branch to an agreed corner then directly east to a corner on the half dividing line of lot No. 51, then North along the original line to the starting point.

Item 5.

I give and bequeath to my son, J. Frank Brown, the following property to wit:

40 acres more or less, of lot of land No. 42 in the 9th land district of Berrien County, Georgia, and bounded as follows: Starting at the junction of the last original line and the line dividing lot No. 42 in halves and running westward along said dividing line to an agreed corner on said line, then North along an agreed line between this land and that of John Bennett to an agreed corner, then west along an agreed line to an agreed corner between the John Brown & John Bennett property, then south on an agreed line to an agreed corner in a drain, then southward along the run of the drain to an agreed corner in said drain, then along the run of the drain to an agreed corner in said drain, then eastward along agreed line to an agreed corner on the original line, then North along the original line to the starting point.

Item 6.

I give to my daughter, Anna Belle Brown, the following property, to wit:

125 acres more or less, of lots of land Nos 42 and 51, in the 9th district of Surin County, Georgia, and being about 25 acres in lot 42 and about 100 acres in lot No. 51, and bounded as follows: Starting at an agreed corner in the run of a branch on the east original line of lot of land No. 51, and southward along the run of a branch to the mouth of said branch in Gum Branch, then northward along the run of Gum Branch to an agreed corner in said branch on an agreed line, then south along said agreed line to an agreed corner in the run of Osceola drain, then eastward along the run of Osceola drain to its mouth in Gum Branch, then south along the run of Gum Branch to an agreed corner on the line dividing in halves lot of land No. 51, then east along said dividing line to the east original line, then north along the said original line to an agreed corner in the run of a branch, the starting point.

Item 7.

I give to my daughter, Mary Velma Brown Henderson, the following property, to wit:

110 acres more or less, of lots of land Nos 51 and 52 in the 9th land district of Surin County, Georgia, and being about 90 acres of lot No. 51 and about 20 acres of lot No. 52, and all bounded as follows: Starting at an agreed corner at the mouth of a drain in Gum Branch on the south original line, then northward along the run of said drain to the head of the drain, then directly north to an agreed corner on the dividing line of the halves of the lot, then westward along the dividing line to an agreed corner in Duley Branch in lot No. 52, then southward along the run of Duley Branch until it intersects with the west original line of lot No. 51, then eastward along the run of Duley Branch to a point where Duley Branch crosses the south original line of said lot, going south, then east along said south original line to an agreed corner.

at the mouth of a drain in Gum Branch, or the starting point
Item 8.

I give and bequeath to my daughter, Pearl Estelle Brown the following property, to wit:

138 acres more or less, of lot of land no. 57 in the 9th district of Berrien County Georgia, and bounded as follows:

Starting at the south east corner of lot of land no. 57, and running North along the original line North to an agreed corner at the junction of the original line, and the line dividing the lot in halves then West along the said dividing line to an agreed corner directly North of the head of a drain, then South to the head of said drain, then following the run of said drain in a southeasterly direction to an agreed corner in Gum Branch on the South original line, then East along said original line to the Southeast corner of the lot, or starting point
Item 9.

I give to my daughter, Ethel Mae Brown, the following property to wit:

110 acres more or less, of lot of land no. 42 in the 9th district of Berrien County, Georgia and described as follows: Starting at an agreed corner on the North original line of the lot being the Northeast corner of the tract, and running West along the original line to an agreed corner in Gum Branch, then along the run of Gum Branch a part of the distance on a southeasterly direction, and then in a southerly direction to an agreed corner on the line dividing the said lot in halves, then eastward along the dividing line to an agreed corner dividing ridge of land half way between Gum Branch & drain, then South along an agreed line to an agreed corner then East to an agreed corner in the run of a drain then Northward along the run of the drain to an agreed corner directly south of the John Bennett & John Brown corner, then North along an agreed line to a corner on the North original line the starting point.
Item 10.

I give to my daughter Marion Evelyn Brown the following property to wit:

125 acres more or less of lots of land Nos. 42 & 51 in the 9th land district of Sumner County, Georgia. Being about 100 acres of lot No. 42 and about 25 acres of lot No. 51 and all bounded as follows:

Starting at the Northeast corner of this tract and being an agreed corner on the last original line running west along an agreed line to an agreed corner on an agreed line then south along an agreed line to an agreed corner in the run of Gum Branch then along the run of Gum Branch a part of the way backward, and the remainder of the way in a southeast direction to an agreed corner at the mouth of a branch then south eastward along the run of said branch to the last original line of lot No. 51 then North along said original line to an agreed corner or starting point.

Item 11.

I give to my son Wesley L. Brown the following property to wit:

120 acres more or less of lot of land No. 78 in the 9th land district of Colquitt County Georgia and bounded as follows:

Beginning at the Northeast corner of the lot of land running west on original line to Northwest original corner then south on the original line to an agreed corner on said line to a line dividing the said North half of lot into North and South halves then east along said dividing line to the run of Big Branch then Nearly North along the run of Big Branch to the last original line then North along said line to the starting point.

Also the cash sum of one thousand Dollars to make this tract equal in value the other tracts described.

Item 12.

I give to my son J. Robert Brown the following property to wit:

110 acres more or less of lot of land No. 78 in the 9th land district of Colquitt County Georgia and bounded as follows:

Starting at a point at the junction of the west original line and the line dividing the lot into North and South halves

running east along the said dividing line to the run of Big Branch then Northward along the run of Big Branch to an agreed corner at the junction of the run of Big Branch and the line dividing the North half of said lot of land into North & South halves, then west along said dividing line to the west original line, (then west along said dividing line to the west original line) then south along said original line to the starting point.

Also the Cash sum of Thirteen Hundred Dollars to make this tract equal in value the other tracts described.

Item 13.

In the event there may be born to me a child or children hereafter, I direct that such child or children shall have an equal share of my estate with my other children to be given or paid out of the residue of my estate before any other disposition be made of the same.

Item 14.

I direct that all the residue of my property be equally divided among my children & my wife share alike.

Item 15.

I hereby appoint my son Walter W. Brown executor of this my will. I authorize him to sell any of the residue of my estate that may become necessary for the proper winding up of my estate, either at private or public sale as seems best and proper to him.

In testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand this the 12th day December 1922.

Signed - John Brown.

Signed & published by John Brown, as his last will and testament in the presence of the undersigned, who subscribe our names hereto as witnesses at the instance and request of the said testator and in his presence, and in the presence of each other this 9th day Dec. 1922.

Virginia Allen
Eddie Bigge Grimes
W. D. Burt