

Last Will and Testament of Catherine Williams

Georgia
Bibb County

In the name of God Amen.

I Catherine Williams of the City of Macon, County of Bibb, and State of Georgia being of sound mind and disposing memory, considering the certainty of death, and the uncertainty of life, Do therefore make publish, and declare, this to be my last will and testament. While doing so, and considering who are the beneficiaries under this my will, some being relatives of my deceased husband James Williams, and some being my own relatives, renders it necessary for me to state that my husband had a brother named William F. Williams, who has departed this life; and a sister named Drucilla, who has also departed this life, but who had married a man by the name of Smith. Myself having a brother named Phelix G. Annett, who is still in life, and two sisters, Elizabeth and Rebecca, both of said sisters having married, and since then departed this life,

Item 1st

After all my lawful debts and burial expenses are paid and discharged, I desire and direct, a monument to be erected over my grave, similar in size and quality to the one over the grave of my husband, James Williams, with a design of a weeping willow, cut in the marble.

Item 2nd

To the children of my husband's deceased sister Drucilla Smith, who has three sons living, one named Henry, one named William and one named Thomas. To those three sons I give and bequeath the sum of Two Thousand dollars, the same to be equally divided between them.

Item 3rd

To the children of Martha Williams, a daughter of William F. Williams, who married a man by the name of Falkner or Falker, whose real name I do not know, both of whom have departed this life; the said Martha has three children living, two sons and one daughter, one son is named William, and the other son is called Pete, the daughter's given name is not remembered. To the said son William, I give and bequeath Three hundred and fifty dollars, to the said son called Pete, I give and bequeath Three hundred and fifty dollars, and to the said daughter I give and bequeath Three hundred and fifty dollars; making to them One Thousand and fifty dollars.

Item 4th

To Elizabeth Richardson, daughter of William F. Williams, I give and bequeath Five hundred dollars.

Item 5th

To the children of John Williams, son of William Williams, three in number, two sons and one daughter, neither of whose given names are remembered, I give and bequeath to each of said children, Three hundred and fifty, making to them One Thousand and fifty dollars, one thousand dollars of which, to be kept in Central Rail Road of Georgia, South Western Rail Road or Georgia

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Rail Road bonds and the remaining fifty dollars to be paid to John Williams for their use. The Principal of said bonds to be kept till the said children come of age, all the interest on said bond as the same becomes due, to be paid over to John Williams the father of said children, one half of the interest for the use and benefit of the said John Williams, and the other half of the interest to be used by the said John Williams, towards the education of his the said children, who in the month of June 1872 reside in the County Pike and state of Georgia.

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Item 6th To the children of William Williams deceased, son of William F Williams, two in number, one son named James and one daughter whose given name is not remembered, To the said James Williams, I give and bequeath three hundred and fifty dollars, and to the said daughter I give and bequeath three hundred and fifty dollars, making to them seven hundred dollars.

Item 7th To the child of William Williams deceased, son of William F Williams, one in number, a daughter, named Emma. To the said Emma Williams, I give and bequeath five hundred dollars.

Item 8th To the children of Shepherds Williams, son of William F Williams, two in number, both daughters, whose given names are not remembered, To each of said daughters, I give and bequeath three hundred and fifty dollars, making to them seven hundred dollars.

Item 9th To the children of David Williams, son of William F Williams; the number and names of said children are not known to me, to the said David Williams children I give and bequeath the sum of two thousand dollars, the same to be kept in Central Rail Road of Georgia; South Western Rail Road or Georgia Rail Road bonds; The Principal of said bonds, to be kept till the said children come of age, and then divided equally between them, all the interest on said bonds, as the same becomes due to be paid over to David Williams the father of said children; one half of the interest for the use and benefit of the said David Williams and the other half of the interest to be used by the said David Williams, towards the education of his children.

Item 10th To the children of a daughter of William F Williams, who has departed this life, whose given name is not known to me, who had married a man by the name of Anderson, who has also departed this life, the number and names of said children are not known to me, To the said children of Mrs Anderson, I give and bequeath the sum of fifteen hundred dollars; to be equally divided between them.

Item 11th To my brother Phelix G. Arnett, I give and bequeath one dollar, who resides in the town Bainbridge, in the County of Decatur and state of Georgia.

Item 12th My sister Rebecca Henry has two sons and five daughters, among them is one son, name Peter and one daughter name Caroline. To my nephew Peter Henry, I give and bequeath

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one dollar and to my niece Caroline Henry, Esq. and bequeath one thousand and dollars, making to them One thousand and One dollar—

Item 13th I have two nieces, one named Mattie Garbrough, and Josephine Garbrough, To my niece Mattie Garbrough, Esq. and bequeath the sum of Two thousand dollars, Josephine married a man by the name of Sealy, she has no children, To my said niece Josephine Sealy, Esq. and bequeath Two thousand dollars, making to them the sum of Four thousand dollars.

Item 14th In making this my Will, it is my desire and purpose, to give and bequeath one half of my Estate, both Real and Personal, to relatives of my deceased husband James Williams, and the other half of my Estate, both Real and Personal, to my own relations; and in order to do this, it is necessary to put some value on the whole of my estate, including that portion which I have already disposed of and provided for as special legacies in this my will, to be added to the residue of my Estate; both real and personal, which I suppose, when all are put together, may amount to Forty thousand dollars; one half say Twenty thousand dollars to go to the relations of my deceased husband James Williams; and the other half say Twenty thousand dollars, to go to my own relations; his relations, and my relations who are mentioned and provided for in the 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10. 11. 12 and 13th items, of this my will; to receive nothing more what ever from my estate; The residue of my estate, both real and personal, to be disposed of as hereinafter directed; after deducting the Ten thousand dollars, already given and bequeathed to my husband James Williams relations, as shown in the 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. and 10th items of this, my will, from the Twenty thousand dollars set apart to my said husbands relations, which leaves a balance of Ten thousand dollars or what amount the same should prove to be at my death; whether more or less; the same to be equally divided between the other three children of William L. Williams, one son and two daughters, the sons name is James Williams, one of the daughters is named Elletia, who married a man by the name of Chapman; the other daughters given name is not known by me; but who married a man by the name of Henry Johnson; And also, deducting from the Twenty thousand dollars set apart by me to my own relations, the Five thousand and Two dollars, already given and bequeathed to my own relations; as shown in the 11. 12. and 13th items of this my will; which leaves a balance of fourteen thousand nine hundred and ninety eight dollars; or what amount the same shall prove to be at my death, whether more or less; the same to be equally divided between the other children of my sister Rebecca Henry, leaving out Peter and Pauline Henry, one son, and four daughters, the sons name is John, the daughters names are Catherine, Martha, Mary, and Elmira, and should there be any other child, for each

child to share equally with these five children, Elmin's portion to go to her
the said Elmin's children; The said children of my sister Rebecca Henry in the
month of June 1872, resided in the State of Texas and Louisiana.

Item 15th - I make, constitute, and appoint my friend Henry L. Bennett, in whom I have all
confidence, to be the Executor of this my last Will and Testament, hereby making
all former wills, by me made; The above appointed Executor, to have full authority
to pay over to the legatees the amount due them, whose receipts shall
release him entirely from any obligations to the Estate, having full
authority to act in my place in all matters pertaining to this my will;
and in all things pertaining to my estate.

In witness whereof I have herewith subscribed my name
and affixed my seal this Tenth day of January in the year one
Thousand Eight hundred and Eighty

Mrs. Catharine Williams [L.S.]

The above written instrument was subscribed by the said Catharine
Williams, in our presence, and acknowledged by her to each of us;
and she at the same time published and declared the above and
foregoing instrument, to be her last will and testament; and we
at the Testator's request, in her presence, and in the presence of
each other, have signed our names, as witnesses hereto, and written
opposite our names, our respective places of residence.

John W. Burke Macon Ga.
James Madison Jones Macon Ga.
Stephen Collins Macon Ga.

The following interlineations were made at the request
of and by the Testator before the Execution of this will. To wit:
interlineation in the Fifth item "One thousand dollars of
which" and interlineation in the same item "and the re-
maining fifty dollars to be paid to John Williams for their
use". Also interlineation in the fourteenth item, "leaving out
Peter and Caroline Henry." made before the execution of
this will

Mrs. Catharine Williams [L.S.]

J. W. Burke Macon Ga.
James Madison Jones Macon Ga.
Stephen Collins Macon Ga.

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It is my will that James Williams, shall have at my
death, the place which I own in Pike County Ga. where-
on he now lives, and that the amount which I paid for
the place shall be deducted from the amount which I
devised to him in my foregoing will, and the remainder
of my bequest only be paid to him

Mrs. Catharine Williams [L.S.]

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Bibb Court of Ordinary
 February Term 1883.

In open Court came John W. Burke, J. Madison Jones and Stephen Collins who being duly sworn, depose and say that they, and each of them, saw Mrs Catharine Williams sign and publish the annexed paper as her last will and testament & the deponents, and each of them subscribed the same as witnesses thereto, at the special instance and request of her the said Catharine Williams, and in her presence and in the presence of each other. Deponents further swear that the said Catharine Williams signed said will freely and voluntarily, and was at the time of such signing of sound and disposing mind and memory.

Sworn to & subscribed before me
 this 5th day of February 1883.
 J. A. McManus
 Ordinary.

J. W. Burke
 James Madison Jones
 Stephen Collins

In open Court came W. R. Holt, Robert Burney and Mr. Hodgkins, who being duly sworn, depose & say that they, and each of them, saw Mrs Catharine Williams sign and publish the Codicil to her will and which is contained in the annexed paper; that they, and each of them subscribed the same, as witnesses thereto, at the special instance and request of the said Catharine Williams & in her presence and in the presence of each other. Deponents and each of them do further swear that the said Catharine Williams signed the said Codicil freely & voluntarily and was at the time of such signing, of sound and disposing mind and memory.

Sworn to & subscribed before me
 this 5th day of February 1883
 J. A. McManus
 Ordinary.

W. R. Holt
 A. M. Hodgkins
 Robt. E. Burney

Recorded 5th day of February 1883
 J. A. McManus
 Ordinary

Last Will and Testament of Great Hines.

In the name of God; Amen

I, Great Hines, of the City of Macon, County of Bibb, and State of Georgia, being feeble in body; but of sound and disposing memory; considering the certainty of death and the uncertainty of life; do therefore make, publish and declare this to be my last Will and Testament;

Item 1st I desire all my lawful debts, if there should be any unsettled at the time of my death, and my funeral expenses paid out of the first money coming into or belonging to my Estate;

Item 2nd To my daughter in law Leanie Hines, the wife of my son, James Hines, I give and bequeath to the said Leanie Hines for the use of herself and family during her life, and after her death, to her children; My house and lot located on Walnut Street in the City of Macon, used as a residence for myself and family, with all the buildings situated on said lot, together with Eight hundred dollars in lawful money, to be used in the improving the above mentioned property; Also, to the said Leanie Hines I give and bequeath a small two room house located on the Alley on the lot in the rear of Forsyth Street in the City of Macon; occupied at present by a colored woman, whose name is not now remembered by me, for the use of the said Leanie Hines and family during her life and after her death to her children;

Item 3rd To my daughter in law, Addie Hines, the wife of my son Richard Hines, I give and bequeath to the said Addie Hines for the use of herself and family during her life, and after her death to her children, all of my real Estate located on Cotton Avenue and Plum Street, in the City of Macon; Except the two room house situated directly on Cotton Avenue, at present occupied by a colored man by the name of Lucius Field and another colored man by the name of Bradford, which said two room house is given and bequeathed by me to Mary Hines, a colored woman, the servant of my family, whom she has served so faithfully, for a number of years, and mentioned in the sixth item of this my Will;

Item 4th To my daughter Julia Elizabeth Goddard the wife of E. A. Goddard, I give and bequeath to the said Julia Elizabeth Goddard, for the use of herself and family during her life, and after her death to her children, all of my real estate located on Arch and Forsyth Streets, except a small two room house on the Alley on the lot in the rear of Forsyth Street, occupied at present by a colored woman, whose name is not now remembered by me; which said small two room house is given and bequeathed by me to my daughter in law Leanie Hines, wife of my son James Hines, for the use of herself and family during her life, and after her death to her children as mentioned in the second item of this my Will.

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Item 5th To my son James Hines I give and bequeath all of my Mechanical Tools whatever and wherever they may be;

Item 6th To Mary Hines, a colored woman, who has been so faithful a servant for myself and my family, whom she has served a number of years; I give and bequeath to the said Mary Hines, (Colored) the two room house situated directly on Cotton Avenue, at present occupied by a colored man, by name of Lucius Fields and another colored man by the name of Bradford; I also give and bequeath to the said Mary Hines, (Colored) One hundred dollars in lawful money.

Item 7th All the residue of my Estate, both Real and Personal, I desire my executor to dispose of for lawful money, and divide the proceeds of the same equally between my two daughters in law Mrs. Leanne Hines and Mrs. Addie Hines, and my daughter Mrs. Julia Elizabeth Goddard, for the use of themselves and families; should any of the respective shares be remaining at the death of either of the said daughters in law, or my daughter, then their share or shares to go to the child or children of such deceased Mother or mothers; If my said daughters in law and daughter desire to divide my household and kitchen furniture, or any part thereof, before any of the same should be sold by my Executor, they are privileged to do so;

Item 8th I make, constitute, and appoint my friend Albert M. Esg of the City of Macon, in whom I have all confidence, to be my Executor of this my last Will and Testament; believing he will do justice to all my legatees, in carrying out the provisions of this my Will.

In witness whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal, the Twenty first day of March, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty three
Leat Hines [S]

The above written instrument, was subscribed by the said Leat Hines, in our presence, and acknowledged by him to each of us, and he at the same time published and declared the above and foregoing instrument to be his last Will and Testament; and we, at the Testators request; in his presence and in the presence of each other, have signed our names, as witnesses hereto, and written opposite our names, our respective places of residence.

James Madison Jones of Macon Ga.
John A. Leard.
Ed. Massenburg of Macon Ga.
E. Fitzgerald.

Circuit Court of Ordinary
March Term, 10th. Feb 23rd 1883

Personally appeared in open court, Thomas L. Massenburg of said County, who being duly sworn, says that he saw Leat Hines, late of said County, decd., sign, seal, declare, and publish the instrument, now here offered to be

for Probate, as for his last Will and Testament; That deponents subscribed the same, as a witness thereof, at request of Testator, that he also saw the other three witnesses therein, to wit, James Madison Jones, Geo. L. Lewis & E. Fitzgerald, in like manner subscribe the same, as witnesses, at the request of Testator, that all the witnesses subscribed as witnesses in the presence of Testator, at his request, in presence of each other, that at the time of executing said Will, said Testator was of sound disposing mind & memory, that he executed said Will, which is herewith attached freely & voluntarily, of his own accord, without constraint or undue influence whatever.

Done to & subscribed in open court before me, this March 28th 1883.

J. A. McManis }
Ordinary } Tho. L. Massenburg

Recorded this March 27th 1883.
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Last Will and Testament of Sarah E. Johnston

Georgia

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Sarah E. Johnston of said County and State, being feable in body, but of sound disposing mind and memory, and wishing to make a final disposition of my property, do hereby voluntarily and of my own free will and accord, make, declain and publish this my last will and testament it being the only will ever before made by me.

Item First

I devise and direct that my body be buried in a decent and appropriate manner, suitable to my circumstances and condition in life.

Item Second:

I devise that all my just debts be paid by my Executor, as soon as practicable after my death.

Item Third

I give and bequeath to my son Thomas D. Lindsey, after my death, who has always been an affectionate and dutiful son, the store house recently built on the Macon Road, and the lot on which it is erected, containing one and half acres, being the lot which I recently got of Mrs. Bailey, in exchange for other land.

Item Fourth:

I give and bequeath to my three children Thomas D. Lindsey, Lattie E. Lindsey and Minnie Johnston, after my death, to be equally divided between them, share and share alike, all the residue of my property not herein otherwise disposed of, and including my half interest in the tract of land on which I now live - said half interest having been conveyed to me by deed, made jointly myself and my deceased husband N. H. Johnston by E. H. Bloodworth - the other half interest in said land having been conveyed to my said husband - and to partition which said tract of land proceedings are now pending in Bibb Superior Court, application having been made by me for partitioning the same between myself and three of the legatees of my said husband. The property herein bequeathed in this item includes also all rights, credits, legacies, choses in action and distributive shares to which I am entitled, and which may be due or coming to me, and every thing belonging to and owned by me, of whatever species of property or interest it may be.

Item Fifth

In the event any of the property of my estate should have to be sold by my Executor hereinafter named, for the purpose of distribution or of paying debts, I direct that the same may be sold either publicly or privately in the discretion of my said Executor.

Item Sixth

I hereby nominate and appoint my friend William L. Lofton Executor of this my last will and testament.

Signed & published this 12th day, February, 1883

Sarah E. Johnston

Signed, declared and published by Mrs S. E. Johnston as her last will and testament, in our presence each of whom signed our names hereto as subscribing witnesses to said will in her presence and at her special instance and request and in presence of each other, on this Twelfth (12th) day of February, 1883.

W. A. Lofton

L. W. Grace

Kate Lofton

Ella Brewer

State of Georgia Bibb County
Circuit of Ordinary May Term 1883

Before me came L. W. Grace named as a witness to the within writing purporting to be the last will of Mrs S. E. Johnston and being duly sworn, saith that he with W. A. Lofton, Kate Lofton and Ella Brewer, at the request of the said Mrs S. E. Johnston and in her presence did attest as witnesses the within writing as her will, that the same was signed and published by said S. E. Johnston in their presence as her last will, that she was at the time of said attesting and signing by her of sound disposing mind and memory, and she executed said will freely and voluntarily.

Seen to & subscribed before me

this May 7th 1883

J. A. Mahul

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Recorded this the 7th day of May 1883

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Last Will and Testament of George Payne.

In the name of God, amen, I George Payne of the County of Bibb and State of Georgia, being of sound and disposing mind and memory, do make and publish this my last will and testament, hereby revoking all wills heretofore made by me.

Item 1st.

I commit my soul to God who gave it, my worldly estate I dispose of as follows, My whole property consisting of my dwelling house and lot, my drug store, and one third of the building and lot my store is in, my railroad stock, my house and lot in Augusta Ga, where my sister Mrs Rachel Anderson lives at, and what money I have in the bank, and my life Insurance policy, all of the above, and all property and money I may have of every kind, or be entitled to at my death, I give to my wife Mrs George Payne for her life time, and when she leaves this world, then my property and money then on hand must be divided equally between my children, the children of those that may be dead, must receive their parents portion, It is my wish that my drug business I have been carrying on over thirty years, should continue to go on after my death, under the supervision and control of my said wife, after my death and managed by my sons George and Miller, George to be the principal as he is the oldest, and they each to receive as blocks hire at a reasonable price to satisfy them for their services, if their mother wishes to sell them the drug business, she can do so, or she can if the business becomes unprofitable, close the same and sell the stock to any other person. My wife to pay off all my indebtedness which may here after fall due, and be unpaid at my death, as I do not now owe any man or woman any thing that I now know of, some little thing may escape my memory, that I do not now know of, but I am confident I do not now owe as much as one hundred dollars.

Item 2^d.

If my wife after careful consideration should deem it best on her own judgment to sell any of the property which I may leave or be entitled to at my death, I desire her to do so, without any order of court, and give her power to sell either publicly or privately, and to sell for cash or credits as she may deem most advisable and best calculated to promote the interests of herself and her children, re-investing the proceeds of any sale she may make in other property as she may deem best such property to be held as for life with remainder as herein before provided.

Item 3^d.

I appoint my wife Executrix of this my last will, who is not required to make any returns or inventory of my

estate to the Court of Ordinary or any other Court or official nor is she required to make any annual returns to the Court of Ordinary or any other Court or official as such Executor.

In witness whereof I do hereunto sign my name and affix my seal this the 17th day of October A.D. 1874

George Payne [L.S.]

Signed sealed, declared and published as his last will and testament by George Payne in our presence; and at his special request have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses in his presence and in the presence of each other this October 17th 1874

B. J. Ray
W. B. Johnston Jr
G. J. King

Georgia
Bibb County

Before me came G. J. King named as a witness to the within writing purporting to be George Payne's last will, and being duly sworn says that he the said G. J. King with B. J. Ray and W. B. Johnston Jr at the request of George Payne and in his presence and in the presence of each other did attest as witnesses the within writing as his the said George Payne's last will, that the same was signed and published by George Payne in their presence as his last will that he was at the time of said attestation & signing by himself of sound & disposing mind & memory that he executed the same freely voluntarily & without any undue influence whatever.

Sworn to & subscribed before me in open Court this June 4 1883

J. A. M. Manus Ordinary

G. J. King

Recorded this June 6th 1883

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Last Will and Testament of Reuben Hilder

State of Georgia } In the name of God, Amen
Bibb County }

I Reuben Hilder of said county and state, being of advanced age, but of sound and disposing mind and memory, knowing that I must shortly depart this life, deem it right and prudent, both as respects my family and myself, that I should make a disposition of the property on the which a kind providence has blessed me, I do therefore make this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all others by me heretofore made.

First I desire and direct, that my body be buried in a decent and christian-like manner, suitable to any circumstances and condition in life. My soul, I trust, shall return to rest with God who gave it, as I hope for salvation, through the merits and atonement of the blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Secondly I desire and direct that all my just debts be paid without delay, by my Executor hereinafter named and appointed.

Thirdly I give and bequeath to my beloved wife, Martha Harnieb, all of my property, to wit: The house and lot my present residence, also my Sheffield place, my Brown place, my Miller place, my Carroll place, my Hammond place, my Thompson place, and my interest in the factory owned by R. L. Hilder & Son, all of which property is situated in the County of Bibb & State of Georgia. I also give and bequeath unto her the said Martha Harnieb Hilder, all the said money I may have at my death, also all of my household & kitchen furniture, wares, wagon and buggy, and whatever else I may possess at the time of my death, with all the rights members and appurtenances thereto appertaining, for her own proper use benefits and behoof during her natural life, provided she remains unmarried. Should she be married to some other man, after I am dead, then I desire and direct all my property to be sold and equally divided only to the said Martha Harnieb and all of my children who may be living at the time should she the said Harnieb die in widowhood then the foregoing mentioned property to be equally divided among the children who may then be living. I desire that some of the property be sold by the said Martha Harnieb Hilder, unless to invest the purchase money in some other property and when so done, the property purchased to be in like condition as the original, the said Martha Harnieb having and using it for her own benefits and use.

Fourthly I hereby certify and appoint the said Martha Harnieb Hilder Executor of this my last

will and Testament

R. C. Wilder [Seal]

Signed sealed and delivered, and published by Reuben Clark Wilder of his last Will and Testament in the presence of us the under signed who subscribe our names hereto in the presence of said Testator at his special instance and request and in presence of each other this (28) twenty eighth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & seventy nine.

Thomas Ryan
James L. L. Burnett
George S. Olean
of Macon Ga

Georgia }
Bibb County } Before me came J. L. L. Burnett named as a witness to the within writing purporting to be Robert C Wilder last will and being duly sworn says that he the said J. L. L. Burnett with Thomas Ryan and George S. Olean at the request of Reuben L. Wilder and in his presence and in the presence of each other did attest as witnesses the within writing as his the said Reuben L. Wilder's last will; that the same was signed and published by Reuben L. Wilder in their presence as his last will that he was at the time of said attestation & signing by himself of sound & disposing mind & memory; that he executed the same freely, voluntarily & without any undue influences whatever.

Given to & subscribed before me in open court, this June 4th 1883.

J. A. McManus
Ordinary

J. L. L. Burnett

Recorded this June 15th 1883.

J. A. McManus
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Last Will and Testament of William Dillard

I William Dillard of the City of Macon a Merchant, make this my last will.

I give, devise, bequeath my estate and property real and personal, as follows, that is to say, One fourth of an acre of land situated at the lower end of Mulberry Street in the City of Macon Bibb County Georgia on which four houses are built also one eighth of an acre of land situated on Fifth Street in the City of Macon being the place on which I am now living I give to my daughter Mary Elizabeth O'Connor for her and her son Edward O'Connor's and any other children's benefit who may be born unto her. If my daughter Mary Elizabeth O'Connor should die without any further issue and the said Edward O'Connor die without issue then the said property is to come back to my nearest of kin. Whose money I have on hand I wish my Executors to invest in Bonds of the State of Georgia and the interest of said Bonds I wish given to my daughter Mary Elizabeth O'Connor for the support of herself her son Edward O'Connor and any other children who may be born unto her and if she should die without issue then the said State of Georgia Bonds shall come back to my nearest of kin. All of my other property I give to my daughter Mary E O'Connor.

I appoint J. H. Campbell & R. M. Rogers of Macon Georgia Merchants Executor of this my will.

In witness whereof, I have signed and sealed and published it and declared this instrument as my last will at Macon Bibb County Georgia this May 21st A.D. 1883.

William ^{his} Dillard [Sd]

The said William Dillard at said City of Macon on the 21st day of May A.D. 1883 signed and sealed this instrument and published and declared the same as and for his last will, and we at his request and in his presence, and in the presence of each other, have hereunto written our names as subscribing witnesses.

A. A. Subers
W. F. Carroll
D. H. Adams M.P. & O. J.P.

Georgia Bibb County
Before me came D. H. Adams named as a witness to the above and foregoing writing purporting to be William Dillard's last Will, and being duly sworn says that he the said D. H. Adams with A. A. Subers & W. F. Carroll at the request of William Dillard and in

his presence & in the presence of each other did attest as witnesses
the above and foregoing writing as his, the said William Dillard's
will; that the same was signed and published by William Dillard
in their presence as his last will; that he was at the time of said
attestation & signing by himself of sound & disposing mind &
memory; that he executed the said paper freely, voluntarily
without any undue influence whatever.

Subscribed & sworn to before me in open court this the 4th day
of June 1883

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J. H. Adams

Recorded June 12th 1883
J. A. McManus

Item 1st
Item 2d
Item 3d
Item 4th
Item 5th

Last Will and Testament of Martha L. Fols

State of Georgia - Bibb County.

I Martha L. Fols of said State and

County declare this to be my last will and testament

Item 1st

It is my will that the house and lot on Jefferson Street in the City of Macon and all furniture therein, that was bequeathed to me by the wills of my daughter Julia and my son George, be sold by my executors at either public or private sale at such time and place as they or either of them may see fit and I desire that the entire proceeds of said sale, after deducting the necessary expenses thereof be divided equally among the children of my daughter Julia then in life and if any are dead leaving child or children said child or children to stand in and receive the share of their deceased parent or parents.

Item 2^d

All the residue of my property of every kind, both in this State and the State of Tennessee I desire to be sold at such time, manner and place as my Executor or Executors may see fit and the proceeds thereof equally divided, except as is hereinafter set forth, among my children then in life and any of my children that may be dead leaving child or children said child or children to stand in the place of, and receive the share of their deceased parent or parents.

Item 3^d

Whereas I have advanced to my two daughters Martha F. Morgan and Sarah F. Milton fifteen hundred dollars each on March 1st 1875.

I therefore will that my Executor or Executors deduct from the share of each that would be due them under Item 2^d of this will said sum with interest at three per cent per annum from March 1st 1875 up to the time of my death at which time such interest is to cease.

Item 4th

Whereas my son Tomlinson has done much service to his father's estate and to me, thereby benefitting his brothers and sisters for all of which he would not receive compensation, I therefore give to him the sum of five hundred dollars from my estate in excess of any sum due my other children or their descendants under this my will.

Item 5th

The sum that will be coming to my granddaughter Lilah H. Larver as one of the children of my daughter Julia, I wish to be received by her brother Edward in trust for her. I do not wish Edward to be required to give any bond or to make any report of his acts or disbursements.

any least but he is to use the sum due his sister Silah for her benefit
at his judgment approved and if he desires or thinks it best he can turn
it over to her and thereby be discharged from his trust

Item 6th

Having confidence in my Executors hereinafter named, I give the same
power to one that I do to each or to both them. They are authorized
to sell either at public or private sale any or all of my estate
at either public or private sale and at such time and place as
they may think best without obtaining any order of any
Court for said purpose, and they are not required to make
any return of their actings and doings in regard thereto
to any Court

Item 7th

I hereby appoint my son Tomlinson Fort and my son
John T. Fort as my Executors to this my will.
Witness my signature this June 17th 1882 A. D.
Martha S. Fort

Being called on by Mrs Martha S. Fort with whom we are
acquainted to witness her signature to the above instrument
as her will, we hereby certify that she signed the above
as her will in our presence and that we witnessed the
same at her request in her presence and in the presence
of each other.

This June 17th 1882 A. D.

J. M. Johnston
J. D. Fannin
Maggie Corkery

State of Georgia
County of Bibb

Before me came J. M. Johnston named and
witness in the writing hereto annexed pur-
porting to be the last will and testament of Mrs Martha S. Fort
of said County and being duly sworn unto that he with J. D.
Fannin and Maggie Corkery at the request of Mrs Martha S. Fort
and in her presence did attest as witnesses the annexed writing
as her will the said Mrs Martha S. Fort, that the same was signed and
published by Mrs Martha S. Fort in our presence as her last will;
that she was at the time of said attestation and signed by herself
of sound and disposing mind and memory; that she executed
the annexed paper voluntarily.

Subscribed and sworn to before me

this June 18th 1883

J. A. McManus
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Recorded this June 18th 1883

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Last will and testament of Patrick Long.

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I Patrick Long of said State and County, being of sound and disposing mind and memory, do make this my last will and testament.

Item First I give to my wife Rebecca Long, and to my children John, Mary, Johannah, Augustin, Elizabeth, Francis, Martha, Harry, Catherine and Charles an equal interest in the property now occupied by me as a residence and garden, containing ten acre more or less and located in Kodfrey District Bibb County. I also include in the above bequest to the above mentioned heirs all the household furniture, wagons, farming and gardening utensils, horses harness and whatsoever else may be on the above mentioned place at the date of the signing of this instrument of writing. The provisions of the above bequest is such that the above property shall be held together and worked, managed and controlled by and in the interests of my wife and children, already mentioned, until my youngest child shall have attained its majority. But by mutual agreement of such heirs as may be entitled to a voice in the matter, a majority may at any time when deemed of advantage to the whole number offer for sale such portions of the grounds as may answer for building purposes, provided the sale of such plots of ground shall not injure the remaining land intended for cultivation.

Item Second. I give and bequeath to my son John Thomas, the sum of Five Hundred Dollars the same to be paid to him by Bibb Council A. S. of St. in lieu of one thousand dollars as stated in certificate of the American Legion of Honor. I also give and bequeath to my son John Thomas, the sum of Three Hundred Dollars in consideration of the faithful services he has rendered me.

Item Third. I desire that a change in all the bequests, made in my benefit certificate of the American Legion of Honor, be changed so as to give to my daughter Mary One Thousand Dollars and to my wife and to each of my children the sum of Five Hundred Dollars, so far as the amount will go to make this distribution the said sum to be paid in cash to John, Mary and Johanna, and the remaining sum of money to be voted by my wife in some good securities in the name of herself and minor children. And as each of said minor children shall have attained their majority then their proportion of said money shall be paid over to them. It is my earnest wish that this change in my benefit certificate shall be mutually agreed upon as it has been my intention to reach

the change in proper form.

Item Fourth. I give to my mother Mary Long the house now occupied by her on my place, to have and to hold the said house for her sole use and benefit as long as she may feel disposed to occupy it. I moreover desire that my mother shall be maintained and cared for (so long as she may live) from such portions of the proceeds of my estate as may bring her the sum of One Hundred Dollars per annum during her life.

Item Fifth. It is my wish and desire that my family continue to work and run my garden in the same way as I would if in life. But if at any time, and after a faithful effort, the work should prove unprofitable then a majority of those interested shall determine whether or not the lands only may be transferred to other and more valuable use.

Item Sixth. I direct that the money I now have deposited in Bank shall be converted into State bonds or other equally solvent securities and that said securities shall be taken in the name of my two youngest children Catherine and Charles. I furthermore direct that J. C. Plant Esq. be requested to make purchase of such securities as in his judgment may be deemed to the benefit and advantage of such of my heirs as they may be procured for.

Item Seventh. I hereby constitute and appoint my wife Rebecca Long and my son John Thomas Long, executor and executrix of this my last will and testament.
This the 14th day of April 1883.

Patrick Long

Signed, declared and published by Patrick Long as his last will and testament, in the presence of us the subscribers, who subscribe, our names hereto, in the presence of said testator (at his instance and request) and of each other, he signing in our presence and we signing in his presence.

Witness }

Patrick Daly
David Milne
Gas. A. Damour

State of Georgia County of Bibb.
Before me came James A. Damour named as a witness to the within writing, purporting to be Patrick Long's last will & being duly sworn earth that he with Patrick Daly & David Milne at the request of Patrick Long in his presence, did attest as witnesses the within

writing as his Patrick Long's will; that the same was signed & published by Patrick Long in their presence as his last will; that he was at the time of said attestation & signing by himself, of sound & disposing mind & memory; that he executed the within paper voluntarily.

Jas. A. Barbour

Known & subscribed before me
this July 2nd 1883

J. A. McManus
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Recorded this July 2nd 1883

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Last Will and Testament of Mrs. Elizabeth L. Rogers

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Bibb County } I Elizabeth L Rogers of said County being of sound and disposing mind and memory do make this my last will and testament

Item 1st

After the payment of burial expenses and any debts I may owe I will and bequeath to my daughter Julia L Rogers all the property or rights of property of every description which I may own or be entitled to at my death whether the same shall consist of realty or personally, money or chose in action to be and remain her sole and separate property during her life and after her death to go to her children share and share alike should she die leaving children then living but if she should leave no child or children living at the time of her death it is my will and desire that all of said property shall then be equally divided among my other children then living and if any of my children shall die before that time leaving a child or children then living the latter to take the share of its or their deceased parent

Item 2nd

I appoint William R Rogers as the Executor of this my last will and testament

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this fifth day of July A.D. 1870

E. L. Rogers

Signed sealed declared and published by Mrs. Elizabeth L Rogers as her last will and testament in the presence of us the subscribers who have at her special instance and request each hereunto subscribed our names in her presence and in the presence of each other this 5th day of July A.D. 1870

John Gresham
Clifford Anderson
R. W. Cubbage

Georgia

Bibb County } Before me came R. W. Cubbage named as a witness to the above and foregoing writing purporting to be Mrs. Elizabeth L Rogers last will and being duly sworn saith that he with Clifford Anderson and John Gresham at the request of Mrs. Elizabeth L Rogers and in her presence did attest as witnesses the above and foregoing writing as her Mrs. Elizabeth L Rogers will that the same was signed and published by Mrs. Elizabeth L Rogers in their presence as her last will that she was at the time of said attestation and signing by herself of sound and disposing mind and memory that she executed the above and foregoing paper voluntarily

Sworn to & subscribed before me this July 23 1870

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Last Will and Testament of Mrs Margaret Willet
State of Georgia
Bibb County In the name of God Amen

I Margaret Willet of said State
and County being of advanced age and knowing that I must shortly depart this
life deem it right and proper both as respects my family and myself that
I should make a disposition of the property with which a kind Providence
has blessed me I do therefore make this my last will and testament
herely revoking all others made by me heretofore

1st
I give and bequeath to my son Joseph E Willet as a memorial one set of
Silver tea spoons

2nd
I give and bequeath to my daughter Lucretia A Rodgers as a memorial
one set of table spoons of Silver

3rd
I herely direct that all my debts and expences of all kinds be paid

4th
After the above specified bequest and my debts of all kinds shall
have been paid I desire that the remainder of my property be divided
into twenty nine (29) equal parts of these twenty nine equal parts I
give and bequeath to my daughter Frances J Wilburn Seventeen (17)
equal parts Said Frances J Wilburn is to enjoy the annual income
from this bequest. After her death the Seventeen shares or Parts are
to be equally divided among her children viz Joseph L Wilburn
Anniv I South Margaret N Silliman Charles B Wilburn James
& Wilburn and Martha L Wilburn Said bequest is not to be subject
to any of the debts of said Frances J Wilburn

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The remaining twelve parts (12) I give and bequeath to the
children of my deceased daughter Martha M Bandy as follows
To my grand daughter Julia P Wall near Opelika Ala three
parts to be hers alone and to be subject to no debts made or to be
made by herself or any of her agents, a memorial of her grandmother
To my grand daughter Martha Isabella Bandy Opelika Ala
three parts to be hers alone and to be kept as a memorial of her grand
mother

To my grandson Harry L Bandy Opelika Ala three parts to be
hers alone and to be kept as a memorial of his grandmother

To my grand daughter Sallie R Bandy Opelika Ala three
parts to be hers alone to be subject to none of her debts and to be
kept as a memorial of her grandmother

6th
I hereby constitute and appoint my son Joseph E Willet
Executor of this my last will and testament and desire that he
execute this trust without making any Inventory of property or
returns to the Court of ordinary In witness whereof to this

Last Will and Testament of Margaret Willet
my will consisting of this and the two foregoing pages of paper I have set
my hand and seal this Tuesday seventeenth day of January 1882
Margaret Willet

Signed sealed published and declared by the above named Margaret Willet
as her last will and testament in presence of us who at her request and
in presence of each other have subscribed our names as witnesses hereto
this seventeenth day of January 1882

John S. Humphries
Geo. H. Lowe
L. S. McCarty

Recorded August 7th 1883

J. A. McManus
Ordinary

Georgia }
Bibb County }

Before me came L. S. McCarty named as a witness to the within
writing purporting to be Mrs. Margaret Willet's last will and
being duly sworn saith that he with John S. Humphries and Geo. H. Lowe at
the request of Mrs. Margaret Willet and in her presence did attest as witnesses
the within writing as her Mrs. Margaret Willet's will that the same was
signed and published by Mrs. Margaret Willet in their presence as her last
will that she was at the time of said attestation and signing by herself of
sound and disposing mind and memory that she executed the within paper
voluntarily

Sworn to & Subscribed before me
in open court this August 6 1883

J. A. McManus
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L. S. McCarty

Recorded August 7 1883

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Last Will and Testament Margaret J Brown
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In the name of God Amen
I Margaret J Brown of said County
and State wife of E. J. Brown being in declining years but of sound mind and memory
deem it right and proper both as respects my family and myself that I should make
a disposition of the property with which a kind providence has blessed me. I do
therefore make this my last will and testament hereby revoking any & all others I
may have heretofore made

First
I desire and direct that at my death my body be buried in a decent and
christian like manner and according to my circumstances and condition in life

Second
I desire that my just debts should & leave any at my death be paid as
soon thereafter as can conveniently be done

Third
I give bequeath and devise to my beloved husband Eliphaz E Brown all
the property real & personal of every kind owned by me at my death and remaining
after my debts are paid as aforesaid for and during his natural life and
at his death to the following children of our marriage to wit Israel Belmont
Brown Mrs Anna Peter Mrs Helen K Lane Mrs Henrietta Kelbee Mrs
Josephette S Brown and Miss Medora S Brown to be equally divided between said
children share and share alike and should either or any of said children die
leaving a lawful child or children him or her surviving then the share such
deceased child would take if living to go to his or her surviving child or
children The portion or share going to each one of my said daughters to be
and remain her sole and separate estate free from all debts and liabilities
of any present or future husband

Fourth
I further desire and direct that should my said husband E. J.
Brown have departed this life prior to my death then the property
herein bequeathed and devised to him for life to go directly to my
said children as provided for them in the foregoing third item of this
will and should any of my said children die leaving neither child
nor children him or her surviving the portion or share of such deceased
child to be divided in equal portions among my said children him
or her surviving.

Fifth
By reason of the liberal advancements my said husband with
my consent has made to our eldest child William J Brown in the
lifetime of the latter and to his family since his death I give only
one dollar to his widow & to each one of his children him or
surviving in full of all claims upon me said sums to be paid
out of the property bequeathed in the third item of this will

Sixth
I hereby nominate and appoint my said husband E. J.
Brown and I. J. Brown my said son executors of this my last will

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Margaret J. Brown

Signed sealed declared and published by Mrs Margaret J. Brown as her last will and testament in presence of us the undersigned who subscribed our names hereto in the presence of said testatrix at her special instance and request and in the presence of each other this 17th day of October A.D. 1881

D. M. Shaffer
E. P. Strong
R. S. Lanier

State of Georgia
Bibb County

Before me the undersigned personally came Robert S. Lanier who being duly sworn saith that the above & foregoing will of Margaret J. Brown then of said county was signed sealed declared & published by her the said Mrs Margaret J. Brown as her last will & testament in the presence of this deponent & the other two witnesses whose names are signed as such witnesses to the above & foregoing certificate of said witnesses to said will that said Margaret J. Brown signed her name to said will in execution thereof in the presence of said witnesses and that said witnesses subscribed their names thereto in the presence of said testatrix at her instance & request and in the presence of each other that at the time the said testatrix so executed said will she was of sound & disposing mind & memory to the best of deponents knowledge & belief sworn to & subscribed before me

this 8th day of Augt 1883

J. A. Mannus
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R. S. Lanier

Recorded August 17 1883

J. A. Mannus
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Last Will and Testament of Sarah J. Ransone

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In the name of God. Amen!

I Sarah J. Ransone of said County, being of disposing mind and memory, but infirm in health, and contemplating my latter end, hereby revoking any and all earlier wills executed by me, do solemnly declare this as my last Will and Testament.

Item First. I direct all just debts of mine, should any such be at my death, to be promptly paid by my Executor.

Item Second. All the residue of my Estate, real and personal, after all just debts of mine [if any, there be] have been paid, I give to my son Julien Ransone to have and to hold unconditionally.

Item Third. I hereby appoint my son Julien Ransone my sole Executor discharging and requesting that no bond or security may be required of him as such, and that he be wholly relieved from the duty of making any inventory or annual returns as my Executor.

Item Fourth. In the event that my son Julien Ransone does not survive me, I give in token of my benediction for General Robert E. Lee, the whole of my Estate as described in Item Second to the Washington and Lee College, situated in Virginia, and once provided over by the said General Robert E. Lee.

Item Fifth. I direct that the net income, after a sufficient sum from the gross income has been retained to perfectly preserve the corpus of the Estate, yielded by said Estate be divided into sixteen equal parts or portions, and that eight of these portions [to wit: one portion to each student] be bestowed annually by the Faculty of said College upon those ~~eight~~ students, members of said College and natives of the State of Georgia, who upon examination in their studies pursued prior to this examination prove to be the most meritorious, for their rewards, benefit, and maintenance during the last two years of their College course next preceding their graduation.

Item Sixth. In the event that at any time there should not be as many as eight meritorious candidates who are natives of Georgia, the number in whole or in part shall be made up from the natives of the State of Virginia, in like manner and on like conditions.

Item Seventh. I direct the unexpended moneys of said net income accruing during the first year to be used by the said Faculty to make known to the Youth of Georgia the provisions contained in Item Fifth.

Item Eighth. I desire said apportionments of the revenue of said Estate to be called Ransone Scholarships.

Item Ninth. In the end, that the interest devised in Items Fourth, Fifth, and Sixth may be secured to the parties therein named, as trustees to hold the legal title of said Estate.

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for the use and benefit of Washington and Lee College in trust, Appoint the President and six Professors of Washington and Lee College, said six Professors to be chosen for the term of six years by a majority of the Faculty of said College, and to be rechosen or succeeded by others similarly chosen at the end of every six years.

Item Tenth. I direct that as soon after my death as a favorable opportunity occurs that the said Trustees sell said Estate and invest the proceeds in houses and land in the City of Richmond Virginia and hold such purchases for the purposes described in Items Fourth, Fifth, and Sixth.

Item Eleventh. For the effectual performance of Item Tenth I authorize said Trustees to sell said Estate publicly or privately and on such terms as may be for the best interests of the said Washington and Lee College.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal, this 10th Sep 1880

S. J. Ransone (S.S.)

Signed, sealed, published and declared, as her last will and testament, by Sarah J. Ransone, in presence of us, who, in the presence and at the request of Testatrix, and before each other, have hereunto signed as witnesses, this the Tenth day of September Eighteen Hundred and Eighty

Chas. L. Ward
Thos. Hardeman
W. F. Anderson

Georgia }
Bibb County } I Thomas Hardeman do swear that I as well as Chas. L. Ward and W. F. Anderson saw the within named S. J. Ransone, sign and publish the within paper as her last will and testament, that I subscribed the same as a witness thereto at the special instance and request of the said S. J. Ransone and in her presence, as did also Chas. L. Ward and W. F. Anderson, that the said S. J. Ransone signed the same freely and voluntarily and was at the time of such signing of sound and disposing mind and memory

Sworn to & subscribed before me this Nov 5 1883
J. A. McManus
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Recorded this November 5th 1883

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Last Will and Testament of Peter Solomon.

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Bibb County } I, Peter Solomon, of said State & County, being of sound
& disposing mind & memory, & in my usual health, but ad-
vancing in years, make, declare & publish this, as for my last Will &
Testament, hereby revoking all former Will or Wills heretofore made by
me.

1st I wish my body to have the Christian rite of burial, suited to my
condition in life; I wish all my debts, if any, paid as soon after my
death as may be.

2^d I give my wife, Mrs. Maria S. Solomon, a child's part, or one
seventh, of all my property, & rights of property of every kind & in
addition, such portion of the fixtures as she may select, to
have, use, & dispose of, all the property being given her, as she may
see fit, but this bequest to her, is to be in lieu & stead of Dowry, & of all
other claims upon, or allowances to her, from my Estate property.

3^d Having heretofore given to my two eldest children, Mrs. Indiamina
S. Holt now Dec'd & to Mrs. Martha S. Hartnell, more of my property,
than either of my six younger children will receive, I exclude
them & their children from taking any part of the property I
shall have remaining at my death, which I dispose of by this
my Will, excluding them from taking any benefit hereunder,
but this I do, from no want of affection for either of my daughters,
or their children.

4th I have heretofore made the following advances to my
six younger children, and for which advances, I wish each
of them to account, as is provided by law, when my Estate
property shall be divided, viz:

To my son Charles S. Solomon, in cash,	\$ 1,225.00
" " daughter Mary S. Ripley, in property,	\$ 2,000.00
" " son, Nathan M. Solomon, in cash,	\$ 1,000.00
" " " Stephen M. Solomon " " "	\$ 1,000.00
" " " William S. Solomon " " "	\$ 1,000.00
" " " Peter Solomon " " "	\$ 2,000.00

5th After my death, I wish all my property, & rights of property,
appraised by my Executors, and this they may do themselves,
& then all of same to be equally divided among my said
wife, & my above six younger children in kind, taking into
account the above advances made to my said six younger
children; or they may sell all of same, at public or private
sale, as they may think best; & divide the proceeds of all of same
equally, share & share alike, among my said wife & my said
six younger children, but charging my six younger
children, with the said above amounts heretofore advanced to
each of them.

6th The portion of my property that may be going to my

Daughter Mrs Mary L. Ripley, under this my Will, I wish to be here for her life, & then to her children & the descendants of any child or children of hers, who may die, leaving descendants.

I hereby nominate & appoint my said wife as Executrix, & my said five sons as Executors of this my last Will & Testament, but with the advice to them, for convenience only, that only one, or at most two, shall qualify & act, at the same time; I do not wish any Executors to make any Returns to the Court of Ordinary, or to any other Court, or to obtain any orders of Court for sale of property, but they may, in their discretion, sell any or all of my property at public or private sale, as they may think best, without any Order of Court, for this purpose.

In witness of all which, I hereto set my hand & seal, this March 10th A.D. 1881.

Peter Solomon [S.S.]

The above foregoing signed & sealed by said Peter Solomon on this day, as & for his last Will & Testament, in our presence, & at his request, we have subscribed the same as witnesses, in his presence, & in the presence of each other, this March 10th 1881.

L. N. Whittle [S.S.]

M. D. Williams [S.S.]

A. P. Whittle [S.S.]

Georgia }
Bibb County } I the aforesaid Peter Solomon, do make declar & add this Codicil to my above Will dated March 10th 1881, but in another respects I wish my said Will, ^{to stand} as it is above written; viz: I change the second (2^d) Item in said Will so as to give my said wife one fifth (1/5) of my whole estate, instead of one seventh, as is therein written, & including in my estate, not only, all the property & rights of property of which I may die seized & possessed, but also the several amounts advanced to my children as shown in said Will, & also three hundred dollars advanced to my son Peter, since the date of said Will. I appoint any one of my sons my Daughter may select, as trustee for her & her children under this Will & Codicil, should the one so selected die, any other one of her brothers in his place she may select.

In witness whereof I have hereto set my hand & seal this July 24th 1882 'to stand', being interlined above before signing.
Peter Solomon [S.S.]

The above and foregoing signed, sealed & declared by said Peter Solomon as a Codicil to his Will, & we have this day, at his request, in his presence and presence

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L. N. Whittle LS. 31

Mrs. C. L. Jewett LS. 31

Charles J. Ward LS. 31

Georgia } Bible Court of Ordinary
Bible County } November 8th 1883.

I Lewis N. Whittle do swear that I, as well as W. D. Williams & A. P. Whittle saw the within named Peter Solomon sign & publish the annexed paper as his last Will & Testament; also I do swear that I, as well as Mrs. C. L. Jewett and Charles J. Ward, saw said Peter Solomon sign & publish the codicil attached thereto, as a codicil to his said last Will & Testament, that I subscribed said Will & also the codicil as a witness thereto at the special instance & request of said Peter Solomon & in his presence, as did also the other witnesses to said Will & the codicil & in the presence of each other, thereto; that the said Peter Solomon subscribed & signed each of same fully and voluntarily, & was at the time of such signing of sound & disposing mind & memory.

Sworn to & subscribed before me in open court this Nov 8th 1883.

L. N. Whittle

J. A. McManus
Ordinary

Recorded this 9th day of November 1883

J. A. McManus
Ordinary

Last Will and Testament of Antony Kocetz

Georgia }
Bibb County } In the name of God! Amen.

Know all men by these presents, that I, Antony Kocetz, of said County and State, being of sound and disposing mind and memory, but of feeble, and failing health, and admonished of the frailty of human life and certainty of death, have thought proper to make a will, disposing of such property as a kind providence has blest me with, and to that end do make, publish and declare this to be my Last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all others heretofore made by me.

Item First. I direct that my body shall be interred in a decent and Christianlike manner, my soul, I trust will return to God who gave it.

Item Second. I direct that all my just debts shall be paid as speedily as possible after my death, as I know of no just cause for delay.

Item Third. To my wife Margaret Kocetz I give and bequeath the sum of One Thousand Dollars, in Cash, to be paid her by Executor within thirty days after my death, or as soon thereafter as my Executor can realize that amount from my Estate, not hereinafter disposed, this amount is to be my wife's share of my Estate, either as Twelve Months support, or Dower and is left her by me in lieu of Twelve months support & Dower; should she apply for twelve months support, and Dower or either, then said sum of One Thousand Dollars is to become a part of my Estate, and I direct my Executor whom he pays said sum to take from my said wife a relinquishment of her right to twelve months support and Dower, and not to pay the same, unless she accept said sum in lieu thereof.

Item Fourth. Down in the city of Macon, a certain lot and a block of buildings situated therein known as lot No. Five, in square (12) sixty two, fronting on Cotton Avenue, thirty eight and a half feet at the corner of Poplar Street and Cotton Avenue, and running back on Poplar Street one hundred and ten feet, to a back wall dividing said lot from that of E. La Corbett, thence along said wall sixty eight & a half feet, thence one hundred & ten feet to Cotton Avenue. This block of buildings is now divided into three apartments or divisions, to wit: The first at the corner of Poplar Street and Cotton Avenue, being the store house, or building occupied

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by me as a place of business and dwelling including, stable, shelter, Bakery and Kitchen, fronts twenty eight and a half feet on Cotton Avenue and runs back one hundred & ten feet to said dividing wall, thence along said wall about fifty feet and including the out houses used by me as shelter, stable, bakery thence along the kitchen, The other is a store now occupied by Smith & Holloway, fronting twenty feet on Cotton Avenue, and running back on both side to the passage way dividing said store from my kitchen, the other being the store house occupied at present by L.B. Pappay, as a butcher & meat shop, and fronts on Cotton Avenue twenty feet, and runs back both ways to the brick wall, but does not include any of the out houses now used by me

me, as Bakery, stable, shelter & kitchen, It is my will and desire, that said property shall be divided as follows, to wit: To my daughter Bertha Virginia Roetz I will and bequeath, the first mentioned of said store houses, at the corner of Cotton Avenue and Poplar Street, together with the kitchen, Bakery, stable and kitchen, and the part of said lot upon which it is situated, that is to say, said lot fronts twenty eight feet on Cotton Avenue and runs back on Poplar Street, one hundred & ten feet to the wall dividing said lot from that of E. C. Corbett, thence along said wall about fifty feet, to the end of the brick building, and including said out buildings, used by me, as a Bakery, stable, shelter, and kitchen to have, used and enjoyed by my said daughter Bertha Virginia, for and during her natural life, and at her death to such child or children, as she may have living, at the time of her death, In the event my said daughter Bertha Virginia shall die without children living at the time of her death, then I direct that said property so given to her shall go to and be held by my son Henry Arville Roetz, and my daughter Adal Marie Margaret Casey, for and during their natural lives, and at their death to their children, if my daughter Adal Marie Margaret Casey should die without children, then at the death of both my daughter & son, said property is to go to children of my son Henry Arville Roetz.

Item Fifth I further give and bequeath to my daughter, Bertha Virginia, my Broad Wagon, & one horse used by me for drawing to said Wagon - also all the implements, and utensils used in and about my bakery.

Item Sixth To my son Henry Arville Roetz I give and bequeath the second store on Cotton Avenue, known as the Cotton Avenue, fronting on said street twenty feet and running back to the passage way between said store and

kitchen, said store now occupied by Smith and Holloway as a ^{store} store, to include the right of using the stair way, leading to the room above said store, also with the right to use the passage way between said store and kitchen in common with my daughter Bertha Virginia to whom I have given the first of said store houses, No 73, Cotton Avenue as set out in Item Fourth.

Item Seventh. The other remaining of said store houses, and lot on which it is located, to wit: fronting twenty feet on Cotton Avenue, and running back to the Brick wall dividing said lot (Line from that of E. L. Corbett) not to include the out houses mentioned in item Fourth) and known as 79 Cotton Avenue, and now occupied by J. B. Pappas, with the right to use the stairs leading to room above, which stairs divide said store house from that mentioned in the preceding item; I will give and bequeath to my daughter Ardal Marie Margaret Casey, for and during her life, and after death to her children. If she should die without children then I direct that said property shall go my heirs.

Item Eighth. The rest and residue of my property, consisting of stock in trade, personal property, and forty eight acres of land on the Columbus Road, in said County and near the City of Macon, which I have not herein disposed of I direct shall be by Executor sold, and the proceeds, after payment of the special legacy herein bequeathed to my wife, and all my debts, be equally divided between my three children Henry Amille Kreutz, Ardal Marie Margaret Casey & Bertha Virginia Kreutz share and share alike.

Item Ninth. I authorize and empower my Executor to sell said property mentioned in the foregoing Items at public or private sale, as the best interest of my Estate may require and to execute the necessary conveyances, without being required to obtain an order from the Ordinary, for that purpose.

Item Tenth. I nominate and appoint Ed. Bartlett Esq my Executor to carry into effect this my will.

In testimony whereof I Anthony Kreutz have freely and voluntarily set my hand & affixed my seal this 20th day of October in the year A.D. 1883.

Anthony Kreutz, T. S.

Signed and sealed, published and declared, as his last will and Testament freely and voluntarily made by him, Anthony Kreutz, as signed and sealed, published and declared in the presence of us the undersigned, who attested the same at the special instance and request of said Anthony Kreutz, and in the presence of each other.

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Bibb County } Personally came before me in open Court John
Alley & Geo. L. Bartlett witnesses to the within writing pur-
porting to be the last will and testament of Antony Kreutz, and being
duly sworn, depose and say, that they with Joseph B. Pappay at the
request of Antony Kreutz and in his presence & the presence of each
other did attest the within writing as the last will and testament
of Antony Kreutz: that same was signed & published by Antony
Kreutz in their presence as his last will and testament, that
said Antony Kreutz was at the time of such attestation &
signing of said will by him of sound & disposing mind and
memory, and that he executed the same voluntarily;

Sworn to & subscribed before
me in open Court Nov
12th 1883

J. A. McManus
Ordinary }

John M. Alley
Geo. L. Bartlett

Bibb County of Georgia
November Term 1883

I do solemnly swear that this writing contains the true
will of the within named Antony Kreutz deceased, so far as
I know or believe & that I will well and truly execute the same
in accordance with the Law of this State. So help me God!

Sworn to & subscribed before
me Nov 12th 1883

J. A. McManus
Ordinary }

Geo. L. Bartlett

Recorded this 13th day of November 1883

J. A. McManus
Ordinary

Last Will and Testament of E. L. Sherwood.

State of Georgia }
 Bibb County } I, E. L. Sherwood being of sound mind and
 memory, and being desirous to settle my worldly
 affairs while I have strength so to do, do make and publish this
 my last will and testament; hereby revoking all wills hereto-
 fore, at any time made by me.

First— Committing my soul to the God who gave it; and in
 whom I put my trust, I desire that my body shall be buried
 in my family lot at Rose Hill Cemetery.

Second— I desire that my just debts, if any, shall be first paid out
 of my Estate.

Third— My Gold Watch and music box I desire to be given to
 Hattie McLean.

Fourth— I give bequeath and devise unto my old servant Susan
 Bagmore, my home place in said County, with all the stocks,
 and also all household and kitchen furniture and bedding,
 for and during the term of her natural life, and the remainder
 interest in said property and all other property both real and
 personal, after her death to go to my friend Elisha L. McLean,
 in fee simple.

Fifth— I hereby constitute and appoint my friend W. W.
 Wagnon Sr. Executor of this, my last Will and Testament
 and desire that he shall pay all court costs and expenses in-
 curred in probating and executing this, my last Will, out
 of my estate.

In testimony whereof I hereto affix my hand and
 seal this 23rd day of August 1883.

E. L. Sherwood [S.]

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the above named E.
 L. Sherwood, as his last Will and Testament, in presence of us,
 who at his request, in presence of each other, have signed our
 names as witnesses hereto:

Graham Thomas
 William Glasser
 W. W. Wagnon

Georgia }
 Bibb County } I do solemnly swear that the within writing contain
 the true last Will of the within named E. L. Sherwood so far as
 I know or believe and that I will well and truly execute
 the same in accordance with the laws of the State as help me
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 he was one of the witnesses to the last will and testament of E. C. Sherwood
 of said Bibb County, dated the 22^d day of August in the year 1883,
 now submitted to the court by W. W. Wagoner as the Executor thereof, that
 he saw said E. C. Sherwood sign, seal, declare and publish the said will as
 his last will and testament, that he, deponent, signed the said will
 as a witness thereto, with said William Glozier & W. W. Wagoner the other
 witnesses thereto, who signed the same as such witnesses at the request of
 said testator, in his presence, & in the presence of each other, upon seeing
 him execute the same in their presence & which he did fully & volun-
 tarily and that said E. C. Sherwood was of sound and disposing
 mind & memory at the time of so executing said will to the best
 of deponent's knowledge & belief

I have read & subscribed before } Graham Thomas
 me this 3^d day of Sept 1883.
 J. A. McManus
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Recorded this September 3^d 1883
 J. A. McManus
 Ordinary

Last Will and Testament of E. L. Sherwood.

State of Georgia }
Bibb County } I, E. L. Sherwood being of sound mind and
memory, and being desirous to settle my worldly
affairs while I have strength so to do, do make and publish this
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First - Committing my soul to the God who gave it, and in
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Third - My Gold Watch and music box I desire to be given to
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Fourth - I give bequeath and devise unto my old servant, Squire
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for and during the term of her natural life, and the remainder
interest in said property and all other property, both real and
personal, after her death to go to my friend Elisha L. McLean,
in fee simple.

Fifth - I hereby constitute and appoint my friend W. W.
Wagnon Sr. Executor of this, my last Will and Testament
and desire that he shall pay all court costs and expenses in-
curred in probating and executing this, my last Will, out
of my estate.

In testimony, whereof I hereto affix my hand and
seal this 22nd day of August 1883.

E. L. Sherwood [L. S.]

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the above named E.
L. Sherwood, as his last Will and Testament, in presence of us,
who at his request, in presence of each other, have signed our
names as witnesses hereto.

Graham Thomas
William Glasser
W. H. Wagnon

Georgia }
Bibb County } I do solemnly swear that the within writing contains
the true last will of the within named E. L. Sherwood so far as
I know or believe and that I will well and truly execute
the same in accordance with the laws of the State so help me
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 tarily and that said E. L. Sherwood was of sound and disposing
 mind & memory at the time of so executing said will to the best
 of deponent's knowledge & belief

Sworn to & subscribed before } Graham Thomson
 me this 3^d day of Sept 1883. }
 J. A. McManus }
 Ordinary }

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Recorded this September 3^d 1883
 J. A. McManus
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Last Will and Testament of Caroline Bond.

Georgia }
Bibb County } I, Caroline Bond, of said County, being of sound mem-
ory and discretion, but in delicate health, make, declare
& publish this as & for my last Will & Testament, hereby making null
& void all former Will or Wills heretofore made by me.

1st I give my house & lot, whereon I now live to Annie L. Mix, the
daughter of Albert Mix of said County; a Marble top table in my
sitting room, & also a Glass or mirror on the wall in the same room,
also a safe or cupboard in my back room, lined with stained
glass, in which I keep my books & glass vases, the house & lot &
all the above property I give to said Annie L. Mix in fee to sell,
or do as she pleases with, but should she die without disposing
of the same, she leaving no children, the said property to go to her
children; but should she die leaving no children, the same is to
go to her brother Harry C. Mix in the same way; but should he
die without children, & without disposing of said property, the same
to go to his brother John C. Mix.

2^d I give to said Harry C. Mix my gold watch & chain, & all the
balance of my property after paying any debts I may owe I give
to Mary Ann Reid, wife of Leaswell Reid, for their ease & kindness
to me since I have been sick. In case said Mary Ann Reid should
die before I do, I give the above to her children; I have some
money, and should I have any at my death, I wish it equally
divided among the children of my friend Albert Mix, & is not
included in the property given to Mary Ann Reid.

3^d I nominate & appoint my true friend Albert Mix Executor of this
my will, & ask him to execute it for me, & to see that I am properly bur-
ied in our lot in Oak Ridge Cemetery, Macon.

In witness of all which I have hereto set my hand &
seal, Nov 19th 1883.

Caroline ^{her} ~~mark~~ Bond LS.S

Signed, sealed, Declared & published by said Caroline Bond
as & for her last Will & Testament, on the above written day in our
presence, & at her request, in her presence, & in the presence of each
other hereto subscribe our names as witnesses this 16th 19th 1883

Harnett ^{her} ~~mark~~ Gibson LS.S
E. A. Whittle LS.S
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Bibb Court of Ordinary
December Term 1883.

Personally appeared in open Court Samuel A. C. Smith
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Caroline Bonds sign, seal & deliver the annexed & foregoing instrument as for her last Will & Testament, that at the time she was of sound & disposing mind & memory, that she signed the same freely & voluntarily, of her own accord without any constraint or influence, & that the Deponents, & also Harrett Kibson & Lewis N. Whittle, at the request of said testatrix all signed said Will as witnesses thereto, in her presence, & in the presence of each other, on the day of its date.

Known to & subscribed before me
in open Court Dec 3^d 1883

J. A. McManus }
Ordinary } C. A. Everett

Georgia }
Bibb County }

I do solemnly swear that the within writing, the true & last will of the within named Caroline Bond deceased, so far as I know or believe and that I will well and truly execute the same in accordance with the laws of this state, so help me God.

Known to & subscribed before me this Dec. 3 1883

J. A. McManus }
Ordinary } A. Mix

Recorded December 3^d 1883
J. A. McManus
Ordinary

Last Will and Testament of John L. Cooley,

Georgia }
 Bibb County } Know all men by these presents, that I, John L. Cooley,
 of the State and County aforesaid, being of sound disposing
 mind and memory do make and publish this my last Will and Testament
 1st I will and ordain that all my just debts and all necessary expenses
 of my last illness and also for my decent and Christianlike burial
 shall be paid as promptly as may be from any of the funds or real
 use of my estate,
 2nd I will and bequeath to my honored and beloved father and mother,
 Jesse Cooley and his wife of Stewart County Georgia all the rest and
 residue of my personal and real property, evidences of indebtedness
 to me, cash, on hand, watch, piano, wearing apparel, books &c. to
 their sole and separate use and disposal, free from interference
 from all others.
 3rd I ordain and appoint J. B. Patimer of Stewart Co. Ga. as
 executor of this my last Will and Testament

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and
 seal in the presence of the witnesses named below,
 this 14th day of December in the year 1883.

Witnesses

J. L. Cooley J.L.

U. G. Under }
 Howard J. Williams }
 W. D. Williams }

Georgia }
 Bibb County } I, W. D. Williams, do swear that I, as well as U. G. Under
 and Howard J. Williams saw the within named
 J. L. Cooley sign and publish the within paper as his last Will
 and Testament, that I subscribed the same, as a witness there-
 to at the special instance and request of the said J. L. Cooley,
 and in his presence as did also U. G. Under & Howard J. Williams,
 that the said J. L. Cooley signed the same freely and voluntarily
 and was at the time of such signing of sound and dispo-
 sing mind and memory.

Sworn to & subscribed before } W. D. Williams
 me in open court this }
 February 7th 1884 }
 J. A. M. Manus }
 Ordinary }

Recorded February 7th 1884
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Last Will and Testament of Mary A. Thomas

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Rich County } I, Mary A. Thomas of said State and County, being of sound and disposing mind and memory, and desirous of making a disposition of the property I possess and own, do make and publish this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all others heretofore made by me.

Item First: I direct that my body be buried in a decent and becoming manner, suitable to my circumstances and condition in life. There being an insufficient space in the family lot, in "Rose Hill Cemetery" for me to be buried there without having certain changes made therein, I direct that the remains of my two children, one about twenty months old and the other an infant at the time of their deaths, an infant child of Mrs. Sally Smith, which children were all buried in said lot, many years ago, be all disinterred and that the remains of the three children be buried in one grave, so as to make room for my body by the side of my deceased husband Dr. William A. Lightfoot. After this shall have been done, I desire him to have erected, at a suitable place in said lot, a monument, with appropriate inscriptions, to perpetuate the memory of each the immediate family, there buried.

Item Second: I direct that all my debts be paid as soon after my death, by my Executor, as it is practicable and convenient to do so.

Item Third: I give to Mrs Jane Lightfoot of Leathurst Ga, widow of Anderson Lightfoot decd and to Mrs Sallie Reid of Green County Ga, niece of my deceased husband Dr. Lightfoot, and to another niece of his who resides in Alabama, and whose maiden name was Annie Lightfoot, the sum of One hundred dollars each. The last named to whom with the other two legacies mentioned in this Item, I give the sum of One hundred dollars each, in money, is the daughter of Edwin Lightfoot and her maiden name was as stated above, stated, but she married and I do not know her present name.

Item Fourth: I give to my nephew A. D. Jones of Hancock County Ga, Two hundred dollars in money.

Item Fifth: I give to my sister Mrs. Lilly Wilson of Warren County Ga, Three hundred dollars in money.

Item Sixth: I give to my brother Walker P. Jones of Chattahoochee County Ga, and to Mrs Julia Jones, widow of Dr. Frank Jones of Sumter County Ga, the sum of Two hundred dollars each, in money.

Item Seventh: I give to my niece Mrs Anna Binion of Hancock County Ga, and to an unmarried daughter of Mr. P. Jones of Chattahoochee County, and whose christian name I think is Joanna. The sum of One hundred dollars each, in money.

Item Eighth: I give to my niece Mrs. Mary Ella Arnold of Hancock County Ga, Five hundred Dollars in Money.

Item Ninth: All the legacies herein given, I desire to be paid in money, and a sufficiency of my property shall be sold if necessary, by my Executor either at public or private sale, for that purpose. After said legacies are all paid, all the balance of my property, both real and personal, I give to my brother Dr Thomas Jones of Hancock,

Item Tenth: I hereby appoint my said brother Dr Thomas Jones Executor of this Will.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand
This February 8th 1883
M. A. Thomas [S.S.]

Signed, published and declared by Mrs Mary A. Thomas as her last Will, in our presence, as witnesses thereto, by her request, this February 8th 1883. We signed as witnesses in her presence, and in presence of each other

Clement Masterson
W. B. Smith
G. M. Davis

Recorded February 19th 1884.

State of Georgia } J. A. M. Manus, Ordinary.
County of Bibb } Before me came Clement Masterson and Gilbert M. Davis, witnesses to the within writing purporting to be, and pronounced as the last Will and testament of Mrs Mary A. Thomas late of said County dec'd and being duly sworn, say that the said Mary A. Thomas was at the time of her death a resident of said County, that they with W. B. Smith, the other subscribing witness, to said Will at the request of the said Mary A. Thomas and in her presence

Georgia }
Bibb County } Court of Ordinary
February Term 1884.
Personally appeared in open Court C. Masterson, Gilbert M. Davis and Wiley B. Smith, the attesting witnesses to the papers and writing pronounced as the last Will of Mary A. Thomas late of said County dec'd and after being sworn in open Court, say that they, each, at the request of the said Mary A. Thomas the testatrix, and in her presence did sign and attest as subscribing witnesses, the said writing as the last Will and testament of the said Mary A. Thomas, that the same was signed and published by the said Mary A. Thomas in their presence, as her last Will, and that she was at the time of said signing, by them, of sound disposing mind and memory, and that she executed the said paper voluntarily and of her own accord and free Will and that they signed said paper as attesting witnesses in the

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Known to and subscribed in open court this February Term 1884

Known to and subscribed before me this February 12th 1884

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Recorded This 19th day of February 1884

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Last Will and Testament of John F. Burney.

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Wilkinson County } In the name of God, Amen.

I, John F. Burney of the County and State aforesaid knowing the uncertainty of life deem it proper to make a disposition of property with which a kind Providence has blessed me, do therefore make this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all others heretofore made by me.

Ist I desire my body shall be buried in a decent and Christian like manner, suitable to my condition in life.

I^{2nd} I desire all my just debts be paid without necessary delay by my Executors hereinafter named.

III. I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Jane One thousand Dollars, to be paid her by my Executors hereinafter named, said amount to be in full relinquishment of her right and claim of Dower in and to all my real estate, to her and her heirs forever, to be disposed of by her as she may deem best, by will or otherwise.

IV. I give and bequeath to my beloved children Julius A. Green Franklin, Howell A. Arthur E. Fannie J. and Robert E. Lee all of my Estate both real and personal of whatever kind whatsoever, except as in Item III as disposed of in said Item, share and share alike to them and their heirs in fee simple and forever.

V. I will and devise that my Executors keep the whole of my Estate together for and during twelve months after my death, and my beloved wife Jane be allowed the use of my dwelling house for the twelve months after my death, and that a sufficiency be allowed her for her support, for that time by my Executors.

VI. I hereby constitute and appoint my beloved brother Guildford E. Burney, the Guardian of all my minor children, until my beloved son Julius A. shall arrive at the age of Twenty One, then I constitute and appoint my beloved son Julius A. Burney Guardian of the persons and property of my beloved minor children.

I also constitute my beloved son Green Franklin, should the death of my son Julius occur before the majority of all my children, Guardian of the persons and property of all my minor children, or should the death of my two sons occur before the majority of any of my children, I constitute successively according to age all my beloved sons as soon as they can legally qualify Guardians of the persons and property of all my minor children, and my beloved brother Guildford E. in no case to qualify when one of my beloved sons is legally able to qualify as Guardians of my minor children.

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Last Will and Testament of John F. Burney.

I hereby constitute and appoint my beloved brother Guilford E. Burney, Executor of this my last Will and Testament, only until one of my sons, Julius A. Green Franklin, Rowell A. Arthur E. or Robert E. Lee Burney, is legally able to become Executor, then I hereby constitute and appoint my beloved sons, Julius A. Green Franklin, Rowell A. Arthur E. and Robert E. Lee Burney, Executors of this my last Will and Testament and my beloved brother Guilford E. in no wise to be sworn in as my Executor or hers either of my sons, are legally able to do.

In testimony whereof I the said John F. Burney have this day set my hand and seal, this the Ninth day of July in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty nine

J. F. Burney [S.]

Signed, sealed, declared and published as the last Will and Testament of John F. Burney, before us, who have herunto signed our names as witnesses in the presence of said Testator, and each other at his special instance and request.

This July 9th 1869

J. J. Holliman
J. J. Statton
L. C. Stokes
Rollin A. Stanley

Georgia }
Bibb County } I do solemnly swear that the above and foregoing writing contains the true last Will of J. F. Burney deceased, so far as I know or believe and that I will well and truly execute the same in accordance with the laws of this State so help me God.

Sworn to & subscribed before me this Feby 18th 1884
J. M. Manuel
Ordinary

Julius A. Burney

In Bibb County of Georgia,
February Term 1884

Julius A. Burney
Propounder of the last Will & Testament of John F. Burney, dec'd. } Ex.

Interrogatories to be propounded to Rollin A. Stanley, Jno. J. Stanley and Lewis C. Stokes subscribing witnesses to the will of Jno. F. Burney deceased & who reside out of the said County of Bibb, to wit in the County of Lawrence

Inty. 1st Look upon the attached instrument and state who signed the same and whether or not the signatures thereto are genuine and when and where the same were signed

Last Will and Testament of John F. Burney,

July 2nd To S. J. Halliman one of the subscribing witnesses thereto living or dead.

3rd State how & in what manner the signature of Testator John F. Burney & the subscribing witnesses were affixed to said instrument.

4th State if John F. Burney the Testator was at the time of the execution of said Will was of sound mind and memory, & whether the same was done freely & voluntarily & without persuasion or undue influence

Geo. M. Smith
Atty for Prop's

Georgia
Bibb County

By his Honor, Geo. A. McManus
Judge of the Ordinary Court of the County and
State aforesaid.

To T. B. Felder Jr.

James M. Smith Jr. Esquire Greeting:

Whereas, there is a certain matter of controversy now pending in the Ordinary Court of said County, between Julius A. Burney, propounder of the Will of John F. Burney & legatees of said Testator and whereas Rollin A. Stanley, J. J. Stanley, & G. C. Stokes material witnesses in said suit, and cannot attend our said Court in person, without manifest inconvenience:

Now know ye, that we, reposing special trust and confidence in your prudence and fidelity, have appointed you, and you or any two of you, are hereby authorized and required the said Rollin A. Stanley, J. J. Stanley, G. C. Stokes personally to come before you, and after being duly sworn to examine them concerning the said agreement, to the interrogatories hereunto annexed, and the answers to the same being plainly and distinctly written, you are to send the same, closed up under your hands and seals, to our said Court, to be held on the 18th day of Feb'y 1884

Witness the Honorable Geo. A. McManus Ordinary of said Court, this 2nd day of Feb'y 1884

Geo. A. McManus
Clerk & Ordinary

Julius A. Burney
Propounder of last
Will & Testament of
John F. Burney

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By virtue of a commission to us directed from the Court of Ordinary of Bibb County, in the above stated case, we have caused Rollin A. Stanley, Geo. J. Stanley & G. C. Stokes the witnesses in said commission named to come before us, and after being

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Last Will and Testament of John F. Burney.

duly sworn, give answers to make to the certain interrogatories thereto attached, answering saith,

To the 1st Interrogatory all the witnesses said - We have looked upon the will to said into. attached and find the signature of Jno. F. Burney, Rollin A Stanley, Jno. J. Stanley & L. L. Stokes all genuine and were affixed thereto at Stanley's Mills in the County of Laurens on the 9th day of July, A. D. 1869. So 2^d Inty. Witness all answer T. J. Holliman is dead.

To the 3^d Inty. all the witnesses answer that said Jno. F. Burney, signed, declared and published the said writing thereto attached as his last Will and Testament in our presence, and in the presence also of J. J. Holliman the deceased subscribing witness, and each of the subscribing witnesses thereto, to Wm. R. A. Stanley, Jno. J. Stanley, L. L. Stokes & T. J. Holliman signed said will in the presence of said Jno. F. Burney, and in the presence of each other at the time and place stated in the answer to first direct Inty.

To the 4th Direct Inty. all the witnesses answer, that at the time of the execution of the last Will and Testament, the said Jno. F. Burney was of sound & disposing mind & memory, and that said will was freely & voluntarily made & without persuasion or undue influence from any person or persons whatsoever.

Shorn to and subscribed before us the undersigned this Feb'y 8. 1884.

James M. Kenbush }
T. B. Holden }
S. S.
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L. L. Stokes
Rollin Stanley
J. J. Stanley

Recorded this February 19th 1884
J. H. Mannus
Clerk.

Last Will and Testament of Henderson Dumas.

I, Henderson Dumas, of the City of Macon, County of Bibb and State of Georgia, do make this my last will

I give, devise, and bequeath my estate and property, real and personal as follows, that is to say:

To my wife Jeanett Dumas, the use of all my real estate and personal property during her natural life, she to see all taxes paid; also all my share in the Bibb Loan & Building Association. At her death, the building lots to be divided up and drawn for by lots by all my children equally, the lots to be fairly appraised in value. During her life, she is to have power to let the children live on the lots or send them off, as she shall choose. If my wife should marry another husband, the lots must be divided among the children at that time, without waiting for her death. If she does not marry again, the lots are not to be divided out until she dies.

My two carriages and three horses are to be fed, toyd, cared for by my wife, and she may sell them if necessary to keep up the share in the Building Association. I give to her the three hundred dollars due me from the Building Association. I give her my house and two lots in Forsyth, to be sold for the benefit of the family, she to divide the money equally between herself and each of the children.

All my household furniture and personal property is to be used by my wife until her death or marriage, when it is to be sold and the proceeds divided equally among the children.

I appoint my wife Jeanett Dumas as the Executrix of this my will.

In witness whereof, I have signed and sealed and published and declared this instrument as my will, at Macon, Bibb County, Georgia, on the Eighth day of March, in the year of our Lord Eighteen hundred and Eighty Four.

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The said Henderson Dumas, at Macon, on the 8th day of March, 1884, signed and sealed this instrument, and published and declared the same as his last will. And at his request, and in his presence and in the presence of each other, have hereunto written our names as subscribing witnesses.

Valentine Kahn

W. A. Hodge

Stanley E. Rathrop.

Georgia }
Bibb County } Before me came Stanley E. Rathrop claimed as a witness to the within writing purporting to be Henderson Dumas' last will, and being duly sworn, said that he with Valentine Kahn and W. A. Hodge at the request of Henderson Dumas and in his presence did attest as witnesses to the within writing as his Henderson Dumas' will, that the same

was signed and published by Henderson, ^{Queno's} in their presence and the presence of each other as his last will, that he was at the time of said attestation and signing by himself of sound and disposing mind and memory, that he executed the within paper voluntarily known to & subscribed before me } Stanley E. Lathrop.
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Recorded this March 20th 1884
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