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Last Will & Testament of Elias B. Shad

State of Georgia } In The Name of God Amen
 County of Bibb } I Elias B. Shad of said County
 and State being of Sound Mind
 do make this my last Will and Testament revoking all my
 former ones

First: I desire to be buried according to my Circumstances
 in life. I desire all my just debts paid out of the
 Proceeds of the Sale of my Negroes as hereinafter
 mentioned

Second: I give and devise to the Children of Solomon S
 Shad Share & Share alike my undivided half interest
 in the Island Called Elba Situate in the Savannah River

Third: I give one Gold Watch to John D. M. Shad. It being
 the one that belonged to my Father

Fourth: I give the Proceeds of the Sale of \$1000 worth of
 Headley Falls Bank Stock in Massachusetts - recently
 sold by me, & which I am looking for in a Check
 from C. W. Ranlet, to Louisa M. Preston of South
 Headley Mass. Married to Mr. Brown

Fifth: I give to Mary Ann Butts of Springfield Mass
 \$5.00 worth of Bank Stock in the Merchants
 and Planters Bank of Savannah with the
 Dividends that may be due thereon

Sixth: I give to A. G. Butts of Macon Ga the Note I
 hold against him for \$260 with the interest that
 may be due thereon

Seventh: I give my Gold Watch & Chain to my Aunt Mrs
 Barstow in New Haven Mass.

Eighth: I give my Pistol to A. G. Butts Son Aurajah
 W. Butts, and the Photograph of my Mother to my
 Aunt Burt in Kinderhook N. York

Ninth: I give to Mrs Albert G. Butts as her own Separate
 Property the Household Furniture, Trunks & the like
 now in my Room in Macon Ga. and at the House
 of A. G. Butts

Tenth: The jewelry contained in a Small Hair Trunk which
 belonged to my Mother & said Trunk & Contents to
 go to my said Aunt Burt to be distributed among
 her Sisters. My Rifle Gun to go to A. G. Butts

Eleventh: I give to Mary L. Butts Daughter of A. G. Butts my
 Negro Girl named Molly. The Remainder of my
 Negroes being in Macon & Savannah Ga. to be sold
 and provided with good owners - families not
 be separated if possible the Proceeds to be
 Equally divided between Miss Laura E. Butts &
 Miss Mary L. Butts

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of Springfield Mass after seeing what is necessary to
pay my just debts. My Negroes in Savannah are
hired out by Dr W M Charter of Savannah.

Twelfth: I wish the sum of \$1000 to be paid out of the
Negro hire for the repair of my Family Vault on Mil-
ington Island Ga:- the balance of the Negro hire due
or to become due until the Sale of the Negroes I wish
to be divided share & share alike between the ^{Wife} Sons of
A G Butts

Thirteenth: The Remainder of my of my Property herein undis-
posed of I wish to go to said David B and Carlos W Chapin
if there be any undisposed of)

Fourteenth: I do hereby Constitute and appoint my Friend &
Albert G Butts of Macon Georgia Executor of this my
last Will and Testament

E B Chad Seal

Signed Sealed declared and Published by Elias B
Chad as his last Will & Testament in the Presence
of us the undersigned who Subscribed our Names
thereto in the Presence of said Testator at his
Request and in the Presence of Each other this
24th day of July A D 1860
(the word between an Second Page interlined before
Will Signed)

J E Wells

A A Menard

R B Lanier

Georgia } July Term 1861 Bibb Court of Ordinary
Bibb County } Personally appeared in open Court Joseph M
& Alexander A Menard two of the Subscribing Witnesses
to the Last Will & Testament of Elias B Chad who after
being duly sworn depose and say that they signed
said Will as Witnesses in the Presence and at the Request
of said Elias B Chad and in Presence of Robert B
Lanier who also Subscribed said Will as a Witness
in their Presence and in the Presence and at
the Request of said Testator and that they saw
said Elias B Chad sign the same as and for his
Last Will and Testament in their Presence and
by signed the same freely voluntarily and of
his own accord and that he was of sound and
disposing Mind and Memory at the time
sworn to & subscribed before me
in open Court July 1st 1861

W M Wiley

Ordinary

J E Wells

A A Menard

Proceeded July 3rd 1861 pro Wiley depy C. C. O