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Last Will & Testament of Henry Newsome Proven in Solenn Form October Term 1860

Georgia } In the name of God Amen
 Bibb County } I Henry Newsome being in feeble
 breath of Body but of sound and disposing mind
 & memory do make Publish and declare this my
 Last Will & Testament hereby revoking all other Wills
 by me made

Item 1st I wish all my just debts Speedily Paid
 there being no Reason for delay

Item 2nd I give to my Wife Elizabeth Newsome Two (2)
 Thousand Dollars and this in Lien and in bar of
 Dower and in Lien and in bar of usual Allowance
 to Widows for her Support for one Year and in
 Lien & in bar of all Claims on my Estate

Item 3 In Case my Wife Elizabeth should be in the
 Family way & the Child born alive - such Child
 or Children if more than one should be born in
 such time as would make the same Legitimate
 Then & in such Case such Child or Children shall
 share Equally with my Children and provided for
 as hereinafter directed

Item 4 I give to my Son Madison G. Newsome my
 Plantation known in the Family as my old Place
 lying on Eacheconnee Creek containing about
 Seven hundred and Fifty Acres adjoining
 the lands of Martin Johnson C. A. Sharp Thomas
 I Sanders and for this devise he is not to share
 in my other lands

Item 5th As to all the Rest and Residue of my
 Estate Real and Personal of Every kind whatever
 I dispose as follows To each of my Children now
 Born or to each Legitimate Child that may be Born
 to me including my Granddaughter Elizabeth Ellen
 daughter of my deceased Son William B. Newsome
 to take an full Share my Son Madison G. Newsome
 is not to share in the Real Estate but is to have a full
 Share in Everything else that is all my lawful Children
 whether Born or hereafter Born to me including my
 said Grand Daughter as one Child to share Equally
 share and share alike in all my Estate Except
 as before stated & that my Son Madison G. Newsome
 shall not share in the lands and if a Child
 be Born to me after my death (Legitimate) and
 die before it attains the age of 21 Years or
 Marriage such share so falling or accruing to
 such Child shall be paid to such Child

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and in such ~~part~~ ^{part} of the Estate and be Equally divided between my Right heirs at Law then living

I direct my Executors hereinafter named to hold the funds of the Infant devise or devisees & invest the same in State Bonds and apply the dividends for maintenance of said or marriage

And in the division of my Negroes I wish & desire that they be divided in families as near as possible And the Real Estate not specially disposed of I direct my Executors to sell at Public Sale or Private Sale as they may deem best and I appoint my Son Madison G. Newsum & Robert O. Carpiell Executors of this my Will Also Ora Jennings

word "fifty" interlined before. Dated 17th May 1859

Signed & Sealed Published & decreed by Henry Newsum as his Will and Testament who at his request & in his presence have signed the same as Witnesses James M. Parker

J. C. Bradley & Thos. Stubbs as Witnesses

Henry Newsum

Recorded Oct 4th 1860

J. J. Riley, Secy. C.C.

Georgia Bibb County } Probate Court of Ordman
October Term A.D. 1860
Personally appeared in open Court James M. Parker & John C. Bradley who each being duly sworn say that they saw Henry Newsum the Testator, late of Bibb County, Geo., sign seal & publish the instrument now produced as & for his last Will & Testament freely & voluntarily & of his own accord without any compulsion or influence whatever that at the time of the Execution of said Will said Testator was of sound & disposing mind & memory that he of defendants signed said Will as Witnesses in the presence of Testator at his Request & in the presence of each other & of Thos. Stubbs deceased & that they saw said Stubbs do so likewise

Sworn to & subscribed Before me in open Court October 1st 1860

W. M. Riley

James M. Parker
J. C. Bradley

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