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Last Will & Testament of James H. Stubbs dec'd

State of Georgia, In the name of God amen, I James H. Stubbs of Said State
 Bibb County being of full health but of feeble and disposing
 mind and memory knowing that I must shortly depart this life deem
 it right & 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 and annulling all other by me heretofore made.

First I desire and direct that my body be buried in a decent and Christian
 like manner suitable to my circumstances 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 Savior 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 John Wesley Stubbs son of John W. Stubbs my
 Gold Watch & chain after he arrives at the age of 21 years the said
 Watch & chain to remain in the possession of my beloved wife Ellen W.
 Stubbs until that time unless she should depart this life before that time
 in that event then to be held by my Executor until such time as he
 may see proper to turn it over to John Wesley Stubbs his son.

Fourthly I give and bequeath to my mother Martha W. Stubbs my two mules now
 on the place or plantation I now live on provided she continues to remain
 and live on said plantation.

Fifthly I give and bequeath to my mother Martha W. Stubbs Joseph W. Stubbs all my
 interest in the Stock Hogs now on the place except such as I shall order to be
 provided they continue to keep up and carry on the farm and make
 another crop thereon.

Sixthly I give and bequeath and devise to my beloved wife Ellen W. Stubbs all my
 right title & interest so far as my interest is, which is one fourth interest to
 the place or plantation I now reside on with all the rights incidents and
 appurtenances to said lot of land so far as my interest in any wise belonging
 free from all charge and limitation whatever. To her own proper use & benefit
 and behoof forever with full power to dispose of the same by will or
 otherwise as they may deem proper.

Seventhly I give and devise unto my beloved wife Ellen W. Stubbs during her
 natural life the residue of my property both real and personal whatever
 and wheresoever and wheresoever it may be or the proceeds or income arising
 from the sale of the same or any portion thereof and after her death all
 of the said & remainder to go to my Brother John W. Stubbs or his lawful
 heirs.

Eighthly I give & bequeath unto my Brother Joseph W. Stubbs a note of one thousand
 Dollars I hold against him.

Ninthly I hereby constitute and appoint my Brother John W. Stubbs Executor of my
 last will and testament with full power and authority to take charge of my
 estate and to dispose of all of my property both real & personal of

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 therefore making any return to any court until the final winding up of my estate and he is empowered to sell and dispose of a portion of my now on the place or plantation to meet the present demands against the place pay the
 this December Seventh 1864.

James H. Stubbs

Signed Sealed declared and published by James H. Stubbs as his last will and Testament in the presence of us the undersigned who subscribed our names in the presence of said Testator at his special instance and request and in the presence of each other.

Thomas Stubbs
 Miles J. Stevens
 E. L. Grannis

Bibb Court of Ordinary
 February Term 1865

Personally came Miles J. Stevens who being duly sworn said and declared the within named Testator signed said will and that he signed the same voluntarily and of his own and he saw Thomas Stubbs & E. L. Grannis the other subscribing witnesses sign said will and that they all signed said will in the presence of Testator and in the presence of each other and at Testator's special request.

Subscribed before me
 in open Court
 Wm. M. Riley Ordinary

M. J. Stevens

Recorded February 7th 1865 Wm. M. Riley Ordinary