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Last Will and Testament of Robert Augustus Beall
Georgia
Bibb County

I Robert Augustus Beall of the County and State aforesaid, do make and publish this my last will & Testament, hereby revoking and making void all former wills by me at any time before made. And first I direct that my body be decently interred according to the rites and ceremonies of the Methodist Episcopal Church. And as to such worldly estate as it hath pleased God to entrust me with, I dispose of the same as follow. First, I direct that all my debt and funeral expenses be paid as soon after my decease as possible, out of the first money that shall come into the hands of my Executors from any portion of my real or personal. Also I direct that a fair valuation or appraisement be made by my neighbours Col. C. Hammett Mr. J. Cowles & Mr. Robt. M. Fort of all my said Estate and after being signed with their names, that a copy of the same shall be given to each of my Executors. Also I direct that all the real and personal Estate of which, I shall die seized or possessed, shall be sold or not, by my Executors, or any portion thereof either at private or public sale in their discretion, so far as is necessary to discharge all the just debts against my Estate, either for Cash or Credits, as to them shall seem most advantageous. And to effectuate this my intention, I do hereby vest in my Executors full power and authority to dispose of the same without anything from any Court, in as full & large a manner in every respect, as I could myself do if living. The balance of my estate both real and personal after the payment of my just debts (except such articles hereafter be given as the case may be. I give and bequeath to be beloved wife Caroline S. Beall, and my beloved daughter, Florida Jane Beall share and share alike; provide that the entire residue of my property, after paying my just debts as aforesaid, shall be kept together & under the control and management of my Executor hereinafter named, until the marriage of either my beloved wife or daughter, upon the happening of either of which events, the entire property hereby bequeathed, I desire to be apportioned by my Executors between my said beloved wife and daughter. I also direct that the share of my real and personal estate thus bequeathed to my beloved wife to be in lieu of her dower, if she shall so elect. I also give and bequeath to my beloved daughter Florida Jane Beall a negro girl named Amelia in fee simple. It is my will and desire that the guardian of my daughter hereafter named shall, should they deem it for her advantage and necessity at any time such measures as well best seem to my said daughter and property that shall hereafter be left to her by this my last will & Testament to effectuate the same.

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 said Guardian full power and authority to appoint
 or to procure from some competent Court an appointment
 of some discreet person or persons to act as Trustee or
 Trustees for her in this behalf. It is my will and
 desire soon after the decease of my dearly beloved mother
 that my Executors hereinafter named shall dispose of
 my gold watch for cash, and appropriate the same
 to the purchase of a marble slab as a decent covering
 for and a mark to designate the spot where the remains
 of dear parents repose. I do hereby nominate and
 appoint my dearly beloved wife Caroline S. Beall
 executrix, and my trusty friend Henry Lockhart
 of the County of Warren and Edward B. Young
 of the County of Twiggs my Executors to this my last
 will and Testament. I do further nominate and
 appoint my dearly beloved wife Caroline S. Beall
 my dear mother Elizabeth Beall, and my
 faithful friend Henry Lockhart Guardian of
 the person and property of my daughter Florida Jane
 Beall. In testimony whereof I Robert Augustus Beall
 hath hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal, this
 fourteenth day of July, in the year of our Lord, eighteen
 hundred and thirty six. The words "or not" interlined
 and the word "distinguish" erased before signed.

Made, Executed, signed & sealed
 in the presence of us.

E. Hammitton

Thos. Hardeman

Edw. R. Ballard

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Shambers 21st July 1836.

Refused John Campbell

and Robt. B. Washington Sec. of the Justice of the Superior

Court of said County. Personally appeared Edward Hammitton Thomas

Hardeman and Edward R. Ballard who being sworn depose and

say that saw Robert A. Beall sign and seal the within and foregoing

will on the day and date thereof, that he was at the time of said

disposing of mind & memory and that they the said Edward Hammitton

Thomas Hardeman and Edward R. Ballard, sign the same in the

presence of each other, and in the presence of the Testator.

Sworn to & subscribed before the day & date above written

John Campbell J. Clk. & R. B. Washington

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We do solemnly swear that this writing the last

will of the within named Robert A. Beall so far as we know believe

and that we will well and truly execute the same by paying

for the debt and then the legacies contained in the will.

as far as his goods and chattels will thereunto extend &

the law charge us, and that we will make a true & perfect

Inventory of all such goods & chattels so help us God.

Sworn to & subscribed before

us this 21st July 1836.

J. Campbell J. Clk.

R. B. Washington Sec.

Robt. Aug. Beall

L.S.

E. Hammitton. Thos. Hardeman
Edw. R. Ballard.

Henry Lockhart
Edw. B. Young