

Will of Charles Rizer Deceased.

Know all men by these presents, that I, Charles Rizer, of Brooks County, said State and County, being engaged in the present war as a soldier, but of sound mind and memory. Knowing that I may 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, hereby revoking and annulling all others heretofore by me made. First, I desire and direct that my body be buried in a decent and Christian-like manner, suitably to my circumstances and condition in life. My soul I trust shall return to rest with God, who gave, as I hope for salvation through the merits and atonement of the blessed Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Item Second, 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 unto my beloved wife Catharine, one Negro man named Stephen aged 34, one Negro woman named Cassie and her two children Jack and Eliza. Item Fourth, I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Catharine Rizer all my horses and mules. Item Fifthly, I also give and bequeath unto my wife all my Cattle, hogs, and Sheep, and their entire increase. Sixthly, I give and bequeath unto my wife all my plantation Tools, wagon, and Carriages of all kinds. Seventhly, I give and bequeath unto my wife all household and kitchen furniture, all the named property and their increase real and personal to be her own property during her natural life; in case after my decease my wife Catharine should become the wife of another man, at her death, all the above named property real and personal and their increase at once to become the property of those my Children to whom I appoint B. H. Martin as trustee, to act for my children after my decease. Eighthly, Now I have disclosed this my last will and testament being written agreeably to my will. It being voluntary on my part. Ninthly, I hereby constitute and appoint my friend B. H. Martin executor of this my last will and testament. This July 14th 1863. Charles Rizer. Witness Signed, Sealed and delivered and published by Charles Rizer as his last will and testament in the presence of us, the undersigned, who subscribed our names hereunto in the presence of said testator at his special instance and request, and in the presence of each other. This July 14th 1863.

B. H. Martin

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