

Will of W. J. Pat

State of Georgia

Bryan County } In the Name of God Amen
 I, W. J. Pat of the State and County aforesaid
 being of Middle age and of sound & disposing
 Mind and Memory believing 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 others 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 and condition in life my
 soul I trust shall return to rest with God
 who gave it as I hope for salvation through
 the merit and atonement of the blessed Lord
 and savior Jesus Christ.

Secondly I desire & direct that all my just
 debts be paid as soon as possible by my
 executor herein after named and appointed.

Thirdly I desire and direct that all my property
 remain together for the support & raising and
 educating of my children during my wife's
 widowhood and that she control and direct
 it until they are all raised and after which
 it shall be equally divided and my wife
 bearing equally receiving a child's part.

Fourthly But in the event of my wife's
 second marriage before my children are raised
 I desire and direct that there shall be three
 disinterested persons chosen who shall appraise
 all my property and equally divide it among
 my children.

with them receiving a child's part and at her death the portion that she has received from my estate return to my children.

Fifthly I furthermore desire and direct that in the event of my wife's death before my children are raised that there shall be three disinterested persons chosen by the Pastor of Little Creek Church who shall appraise all my property and equally divide it among my children and also appoint them a guardian and turn over the property in their hands.

Sixth I hereby constitute and appoint my wife Susan P. Executor of this my last will and testament

Signed sealed delivered and published by W. J. Pate as his last will and testament in the presence of us the undersigned who subscribe our names hereto in the presence of said testator at his special instance & request and in presence of each other this December 25th 1880

W. J. Pate (S)

Emmett Davis
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