

State of Georgia In the name of God Amen, I Sophia Lawrence of
Burke County I said ^{State and} County knowing that I must shortly depart this
life deem it right and proper both as respects my family that
I should make a disposition of the property which I now have
do therefore make this my last will and Testament hereby
revoking all others heretofore made by me.

Item 1st I desire and direct that my body be buried in a decent and
Christian like manner, my soul I trust shall return to
rest with God who gave it

Item 2^d I desire and direct that all my just debts be paid with-
out delay by my executors hereinafter appointed

Item 3^d I give and bequeath to my beloved son Jeremiah L. Luman
the Homestead and Land on which I now reside provided
he should agree to give for the same the price at which
it should be appraised and the proceeds to be equally di-
vided between my three children viz Daniel & Luman
Jeremiah & Luman ^{Elizabeth Smith wife of James G.}
Smith but in the event ^{www.georgiapioneers.com} I Luman should not ag-
ree to take the Homestead and Land at the appraisement then
the same to be sold to the highest bidder and the proceeds
divided as above

Item 4th I give and bequeath to my beloved son Daniel L. Luman
the following negroes viz one negro boy Redding and girl
Anarchy one girl Rose one girl Ailsy to him and his heirs
forever

Item 5th I give and bequeath to my beloved son Jeremiah L. Luman
the following named negroes one negro man Miller
and his wife Tony a boy Pittard a boy Tim to him and
his heirs forever

Item 6th I give and bequeath to Daniel L. Luman and Jeremiah L.
Luman (trustees by me appointed) for the sole and separate use
benefit and behoof of my beloved Daughter Elizabeth Smith
wife of James G. Smith the following negroes to wit: one ne-
gro man Dennis and his wife Lattie a boy Arthur and a

a girl Emily said property to be free from the debts contracts and liabilities of her present or any future husband and if she should die leaving no child or children then the portions left her to go to and be equally divided between my two Sons Daniel A. Luman and Jeremiah L. Luman.

Item 7th I desire and direct the balance of my property to be sold and the proceeds thereof equally divided between my two Sons Daniel A. Luman and Jeremiah L. Luman and my daughter Elizabeth Smith wife of James G. Smith share and share alike. And the said Daniel A. Luman and Jeremiah L. Luman to hold all the property both real and personal, negroes and money given in this my will to Elizabeth Smith in trust for her sole and separate use, free from the contracts & debts of her present or any future husband and if the said Elizabeth Smith wife of James G. Smith at aforesaid should die without child or children then I desire and direct said share of Elizabeth Smith wife of James G. Smith under this my will as aforesaid to be equally divided between my two Sons Daniel A. Luman and Jeremiah L. Luman share and share alike and I do hereby appoint Daniel A. Luman and Jeremiah L. Luman Trustees for my daughter Elizabeth Smith.

Item 8th I hereby constitute and appoint my beloved Sons Daniel A. Luman and Jeremiah L. Luman Executors of this my last will and testament. This 15th day of October Eighteen hundred and fifty two.

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Signed sealed declared and published by Sophia Luman as her last will and testament in the presence of us the subscribers who subscribed our names hereto in the presence of said testator at her special instance and request and of each other. This 15th day of October Eighteen hundred and fifty two

William P. Allen
Gas A. Murphree
John P. Allen

Sophia Luman

1852

State of Georgia

Burke County Appeared in open Court William Allen Gas A. Murphree Sen and John P. Allen who being duly sworn depose and say that the annexed paper writing was signed by Sophia Luman as her last will and testament in presence of these deponents all of whom signed the same in the presence of each other and of the testator and that at the time of signing and executing said will said testator was of sound and disposing mind and memory

Sworn to in open Court

1st day of April 1854

Edwards Garlick Clerk

William Allen
Gas A. Murphree
John P. Allen

The last will and Testament of Sophia Sumner having been proved in open Court in due form of Law. It is ordered that the same be admitted to Record. It is further ordered that a warrant of apprehension be issued to apprehend the property of Sophia Sumner deceased in the County of Burke and that Letters Testamentary be issued according to Law.

State of Georgia
Burke County

Ordinary Office Burke County

I Edward Garlick Ordinary in and for said County, do hereby Certify that the original Will of Sophia Sumner late of said County deceased together with the record thereof, were destroyed on the night of the 24th day of January 1856 by the burning of the Court House of this County. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of Office at Waynesboro this 21st Day of November 1856.

Edward Garlick Ordinary B.C.

State of Georgia
Burke County

Personally appeared in open Court. John P. Allen and James A. Monaphees two of the witnesses to the original Will Testament of Sophia Sumner deceased, who being duly sworn depose and saith that they have read the copy will and probate attached to the foregoing petition and that they believe said Copy probate a true Copy of the original will in true substance.

Burke Co. GA WMS 4855-1858
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Sworn to in open Court
this 1st Nov 1856

Edward Garlick Clerk

James A. Monaphees
John P. Allen Jr.

It appearing to the Court that the last will testament of Sophia Sumner deceased was destroyed in the burning of the Court House of this County in the month of January 1856 and it further appearing that she assessed it a true copy of said last will testament. It is ordered and adjudged that said Copy will be established in lieu instead of said original will destroyed as aforesaid that the same be recorded with the other papers in this case, be placed of file among the papers of this Court.

Recorded 6th May 1857