

Georgia } I John H. Low, Clerk of the Court of Ordinary, in and
Henry County } for said County do hereby Certify that the above
the foregoing is a true & full exemplification of all the actings
& doings of Lewis Moore & Eli Conger as executors of Willis
Moore dec. as stands of record on the books in my office
Given under my hand & private seal. There being no seal
of office. This Aug^t 30th 1848.

John H. Low Clerk (Seal)

Recorded this 13th Sept^r 1848.

John McCorr G.O.

Georgia } In the Name of God Amen.

Butts County } I Robert Grier of said County and State being of
Sound mind and disposing memory; but being mindful of the
Certainty of death and the great uncertainty of the time thereof
to the end that I may be the better prepared to leave this world
when it shall please Almighty God to remove me hence, as to the
Settlement of my Temporal Affairs and after long and serious
Reflections upon the Subject, do make and declare and publish
this my last will and Testament hereby revoking and disannulling
all and every other will or wills heretofore made by me—

Item First. To my beloved wife Elizabeth I give and bequeath so much
and such of my house hold and kitchen furniture and library as
she may choose and select. I also give and bequeath unto her an
annuity of one hundred dollars per annum for and during her
natural life, the first to become due and payable on the twenty fifth
day of December next ensuing my decease and annually on the
twenty fifth day of December on each succeeding year as long as
she may live, the funds and amounts accumulated by said
annuity to be hers absolutely and to be disposed of as she may
think fit and proper, ~~After~~ and during her natural life I
give and ~~leave~~ ^{bequeath} ~~her the use of~~ the following named negroes (to wit)
my ~~negro man Sam~~ and negro woman Ann and her child
Mary and a negro girl named Leaf and the dwelling house
in which I reside with the kitchen garden and yard houses
pertaining thereto which said negroes houses garden and appertene-
ances &c after her death I wish to be disposed of as herein after
pointed out and directed—

Item Second. To my grand children, Margaret Emily Dougherty,
Andrew Burns Dougherty, Elizabeth Jane Dougherty, and Mary
Ann Dougherty, Children of my deceased Daughter Jane
Dougherty, I give and bequeath lands lying near the town of
Jackson in said County known as the Brown Barber and

Williams tracts of Land containing in all about three hundred and twelve
acres be the same more or less, Also The Tillery place containing about
fifty acres more or less lying about four miles west of Jackson
and also my interest in the Nickleberry tract of Land, the same
containing about one hundred and ninety two acres be the
same more or less, and my interest in it being the one half
thereof, the said Nickleberry place or tract of Land being in the
same County about one mile and a half from Jackson
I also to my said grand Children all my lots and houses
in the town of Jackson, with all the improvements there-
unto belonging or in any wise appertaining - All which lands
and property it is my wish and I so declare my will to
be to be equally divided between my said four grand
Children, when Andrew Burns lawfully arrives at the age
of twenty one years, and until then to be held by them
jointly for their joint and equal benefit - and in case it
should so happen that either or any of my aforesaid grand
Children should die leaving no Child or Children living
at the time it is my will and desire that the part or
share of said Lands hereby bequeathed to such as may so die
shall go to the survivors and if all my aforesaid grand Children
should die without leaving any Child or Children living at
the time of the death of the last survivor, then it is my wish
and desire that the whole of the Lands in this item bequeathed
go to my Son Algernon Sidney Greer, but in case either of my said
grand Children should die leaving a Child or Children living
and afterwards an other should die leaving no Child or Children
living at that time it is my desire and wish that the Child or
Children of any that may be dead, shall stand in the place
of the deceased, parents in the division of the share of such as die
without Children amongst the survivors as above directed -

Item third. To my Son Algernon Sidney Greer, I give & bequeath
all my other property not herein before mentioned both
real and personal, consisting of Lands negroes Stock of all
kinds, plantation tools and utensils, the Crop that may be
on hand at the time of my death, Corn fodder, Cotton &c.
as well as all money or monies on hand, debts, dues, notes,
bonds or other specialties, and in a word every other
thing of value that I may die seized and possessed of not
herein before or otherwise disposed of - Subject however to
the payment of all my just debts and the payment of the
annuity or annual sum of one hundred dollars to my wife
as aforesaid, which I expressly make a charge upon

I hereby bequeath him—

Item Fourth. In addition to what I have given my wife for her life in the first clause of this will, I also give and lend to her for and during her natural life a negro boy Lee and another called Charly. Children of said woman Ann, and I also lend her for and during her natural life + all the future increase of said woman, whether born before or after my death, and at the death of my wife I give and bequeath all the real estate, houses, garden &c. herein lent her for life to my son Algernon Sidney Grier, and all the negroes in this my last will left to my wife for her life time at her death. I give to my aforesaid four grand children to be kept together for their equal and joint benefit until Andrew being lawfully arrives at the age of twenty one years, and then to be divided in the same way as is directed concerning the Lands left to them, and the negroes after the death of my wife I give to them with the same limitations and restriction as are mentioned and set forth in the devise of Lands to them, that is in case either or any of them should die leaving no child or children living at the time it is my wish and desire that the part or share of said negroes hereby bequeathed to such as may ~~die~~ die, shall go to the survivors and the children of such as may at the time be dead leaving children living and in case all shall die leaving no child or children of any of them living at the death of the last survivor then all said negroes with their increase to go to my said son Algernon Sidney Grier—

Item Fifth. After reading over the above items it has occurred to me that it would be better for the division of the property left to my grand children to be made as they respectively come of age or marry than to remain together until Andrew arrives at twenty one years, and I accordingly direct that each one have his or her equal and just part as herein before mentioned assigned and set apart as he or she may marry or arrive at the age of twenty one years, the division of the negroes of course cannot take place in any event until after the death of my wife, but after that time, it is my wish that the directions in this clause be followed as to them and so far as the Lands are concerned let them be followed immediately notwithstanding in this clause intend to make any other change or modification in the devise and bequest to my said grand children than in the time of the division of the property left to them—

Item Sixth and last. I nominate constitute and appoint my beloved wife Elizabeth, and my son Algernon Sidney Grier, and my nephew Alexander H. Stephens, the Executors to this my last will and

Robert Grier

Testament and hope they will take upon themselves the execution thereof
In Testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and affixed my seal
and declared this to be my last will & Testament contained on five pages
numbered and each having my name written on it this 5th day of
July 1847.

Signed sealed acknowledged and published
as his last will & Testament in presence of Robert Grier (Seal)
of us who signed the same as witnesses
in presence of Testator and in presence
of each other

Alexander H. Stephens

Richard Sheppard

Lincoln Stephens

acknowledged before me

Col. W. Fielder

Recorded this 15th Nov^r 1848.

John McLeod Secy.

Butts Court of Ordinary in vacation November 6th 1848.

Georgia { In person came Richard Sheppard one of the Suboc
Butts County} subscribing witnesses to the within will of Robert Grier.
who being duly sworn depose and swear that he saw the said
Robert Grier sign seal publish & declare the within instrument
as his last will and Testament, that at the time of subscribing
the same the said Testator was of sound and disposing mind
and memory that he assigned the same freely voluntarily and
without any manner of compulsion and that deponent together
with Alexander H. Stephens and Lincoln Stephens two of the other
subscribing witnesses attested the due execution thereof & signed
the same as witnesses in the presence of the Testator and in pre
sence of each other and at the request of the Testator and that he
saw Joseph W. Fielder another subscribing witness subscribe the
same as a witness in the presence of the other subscribing witness
at the request of the Testator & heard the Testator acknowledge
his signature to said will, to said Fielder

Sworn to & subscribed before

us this Nov^r 6th 1848.

Richard Sheppard

John W. McLeod J.D.

John Andrews J.D.

Georgia { In person came Joseph W. Fielder one of the
Butts County} subscribing witnesses to the annexed will of
Robert Grier, who being duly sworn depose and swear

I hereby bequeath him—

Item Fourth. In addition to what I have given my wife for her life in the first clause of this will, I also give and lend to her for and during her natural life a negro boy Lee and another called Charly, children of said woman Ann, and I also lend her for and during her natural life + all the future increase of said woman, whether born before or after my death, and at the death of my wife I give and bequeath all the real estate, houses garden &c. herein lent her for life, to my son Algernon Sidney Grier, and all the negroes in this my last will left to my wife for her life time at her death I give to my aforesaid four grand children to be kept together for their equal and joint benefit until Andrews being lawfully arrives at the age of twenty one years, and then to be divided in the same way as is directed concerning the Lands left to them, and the negroes after the death of my wife I give to them with the same limitations and restriction as are mentioned and set forth in the devise of Lands to them, that is in case either or any of them should die leaving no child or children living at the time it is my wish and desire that the part or share of said negroes hereby bequeathed to such as may ~~die~~ die, shall go to the survivors and the children of such as may at the time be dead leaving children living and in case all shall die leaving no child or children of any of them living at the death of the last survivor then all said negroes with their increase to go to my said son Algernon Sidney Grier—

Item Fifth. After reading over the above items it has occurred to me that it would be better for the division of the property left to my grand children to be made as they respectively come of age or marry than to remain together until Andrews arrives at twenty one years, and I accordingly direct that each one have his or her equal and just part as herein before mentioned assigned and set apart as he or she may marry or arrive at the age of twenty one years, the division of the negroes of course cannot take place in any event until after the death of my wife, but after that time, it is my wish that the directions in this clause be followed as to them and so far as the Lands are concerned let them be followed immediately now and in this clause intend to make any other change or modification in the devise and bequest to my said grand children than in the time of the division of the property left to them—

Item Sixth. And last I nominate constitute and appoint my beloved wife Elizabeth, and my son Algernon Sidney Grier and my nephew Alexander A. Stephens, the Executors to this my last will and

Testament and hope they will take upon themselves the execution thereof
In Testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and affixed my seal
and declared this to be my last will & Testament contained on five pages
numbered and each having my name written on it this 3rd day of
July 1847.

Signed sealed acknowledged and published
as his last will & Testament in presence
of us who signed the same as witnesses
in presence of Testator and in presence
of each other

Robert Grier *(Seal)*

Alexander H. Stephens

Richard Sheppard

Sinton Stephens

acknowledged before me

Jos W. Fielder

Recorded this 15th Nov^r 1848.

John McComb Secy.

Butts Court of Ordinary in vacation November 6th 1848.

Georgia } In person came Richard Sheppard one of the Subscr-
Butts County } bing witnesses to the within will of Robert Grier,
who being duly sworn depose and swear that he saw the said
Robert Grier Sign seal publish & declare the within instrument
as his last will and Testament, that at the time of subscribing
the same the said Testator was of sound and disposing mind
and memory that he signed the same freely voluntarily and
without any manner of compulsion and that deponent together
with Alexander H. Stephens and Sinton Stephens two of the other
subscribing witnesses attested the due execution thereof & signed
the same as witnesses in the presence of the Testator and in pres-
ence of each other and at the request of the Testator and that he
saw Joseph W. Fielder another subscribing witness subscribe the
same as a witness in the presence of the other subscribing witnesses
at the request of the Testator & heard the Testator acknowledge
his signature to said will, to said Fielder

Sworn to & Subscribed before

us this Nov^r 6th 1848.

Richard Sheppard

John W. McComb Secy.

John Andrews Secy.

Georgia } In person came Joseph W. Fielder one of the
Butts County } subscribing witnesses to the annexed will of
Robert Grier, who being duly sworn depose and swear

that the said Robert Grier acknowledged his signature to said will & that he published & declared the same to be his last will and Testament and at the time of said acknowledgement said Testator was of sound and disposing mind and memory, that he assigned the same freely voluntarily and without any manner of Compulsion, and that this deponent signed the as a witness in the presence of the Testator and in the presence of Alexander H. Stephens, Richard Sheppard and Simon Stephens & at the request of the Testator and that the above named witnesses acknowledged their subscribing the same as witnesses in presence of this deponent & in presence of the Testator

Sworn to & Subscribed

Jo^s. H. Fielder

before us Nov^r 16th 1848.

John W. McLeod J. G. C.

J^r. Andrews J. G. C.

I Elizabeth Grier do solemnly swear that this writing contains the true last will and Testament of the within named Robert Grier deceased, so far as you know or believe and that you will well and truly execute the same by paying first the debts and then the legacies contained in the said will as far as his goods and chattels will thereto extend and the law charge me, and that you will make a true and perfect inventory of all such goods and chattels, so help you God.

Sworn to & Subscribed in

open court Nov^r 9th 1848.

Elizabeth Grier

J. R. McLeod Delat.

The last will and Testament of Robert Grier late of this County deceased, having heretofore on the 8th day of this month having been duly proven by the oaths and dispositions of Richard Sheppard and Joseph H. Fielder two of the subscribing witnesses thereto before John W. McLeod & John Andrews two of the Justices of this Court and Elizabeth Grier the widow and Relict of said deceased, one of the persons named by said deceased, as Executrix to his said last will & Testament having come into Court this day and qualified in terms of the law as such Executrix & it is on motion ordered that said will be admitted to record and that Letters Testamentary do issue by the clerk of this Court to said Elizabeth Grier as Executrix of said will and that she be fully authorised to assume and discharge the execution of the provisions of said will according to the term of the Statute of this State

in such cases made & provided.

John W. McLeod 186.

Jas Thorman 186.

John Andrews 186.

On motion it is further ordered by the Court that Richard Sheppard, Joseph H. Fielder, Thomas Cook, Henry S. Mays, and Joseph Key be appointed appraisers of the perishable property and effects of Robert Grier dec. as far as the same may be produced to them or any three or more of them by Elizabeth Grier the qualified executrix by the last will and Testament of Said deceased.

Recorded this 15th Nov^r 1848.

John McLeod 186.

John Andrews 186.

John W. McLeod 186.

Jas Thorman 186.

Return of Robert G. Duke adm^r on the estate of Francis Douglass dec.

Estate	Dr.	
by amount rec ^d from the sale of 12 bales Cotton	\$239	67
by Cash rec ^d from hauling with waggon	23	00
by " " for hire of Rachel	10	00
by " " for same hire	1	00
	\$273	67

Estate	Dr.	
Paid Taxes	Voucher No. 1.	\$19.11
" Newton & Nicklberry	" " 2.	1.33
" Andrews & Little	" " 3.	25.82
" Martha C Slaton	" " 4.	6.00
" Solomon Harris	" " 5.	5.00
" Postage	" "	0.90
" for well bucket		0.10
" " one pair shoes		1.00
Expenses in going to Macon on business of the estate		6.50
Freight on Cotton to Macon & mending bags.		16.75
Paid J. McLeod 186. for this return No. 6.		1.12
amt. allowed by Court for services as administrator	150.00	\$233.63
Amount on hands of adm ^r		\$40.04

Sworn to & subscribed before

me Oct^r 13th 1848.

J. R. McLeod 186.

Robert G. Duke adm^r

Recorded this 17th Nov^r 1848. John McLeod 186.