

Last Will and Testament of George W. Stephens Esq.
 Georgia, Hancock County.

I, the name of God Amen.
 G. George W. Stephens of said State and County being of
 sound mind and understanding that I must soon depart
 this mortal life, do hereby right and proper that I
 should while in life make some disposition of the
 property that I now own, do therefore make this
 my last will and testament revoking all other
 wills heretofore made by me.

Item 1st
 I desire and direct that my body be buried in
 a decent Christianlike manner suitable to my
 circumstances in life, my soul I trust shall return
 to God who gave it.

Item 2nd
 I desire and direct that my Executors shall
 pay all my just debts with as little delay as possible.

Item 3rd
 I desire and direct that my beloved wife
 Martha Stephens shall take charge of all I may
 be possessed at my death, consisting of one dwelling
 house and lot in the town of Valla River where I
 now reside, also 12 Levelled Acres of land most land
 town, being part of lot of Land No. (109) and
 hundred and fifty more in the South (C) District
 of said County, together with all my household
 and kitchen furniture, and to have the same to
 use as transfer as may suit her convenience
 during her natural life in widowhood, and I
 hereby give her the right to trade said property
 as she shall think proper to the same if it
 should become necessary for her support.

I desire and direct that if any of my estate should be left at the death of my wife Martha Depshaw, or widowhood, it shall be sold and equally divided between my heirs, her having an equal share.

I hereby appoint my beloved wife Martha Depshaw and my son Thomas Depshaw Executors of this my last will and testament.

I desire and direct that this will be probated and put to record by the proper officers, and executors or executors be sworn in, to carry out the provisions of the same but they shall not be required to make any appraisement or make any return of this estate and things to any Court after the same is put to record, as he required to give any bond as said Executors.

This 18th January 1898.

Ligned, declared and published by George Depshaw as his last will and testament in the presence of us the Subscribers, who Subscribed our names hereto in the presence of said testator and of such attes, he Signifying our presence and me Signing in his presence.

This 18th Jan. 1898.

J. T. Henderson
W. B. Chandler
J. M. Cobb

Georgia Carroll County
We Martha Depshaw do solemnly swear that this writing contains the true last will of the within named George Depshaw, deceased so far as I know and believe and that I will well and truly execute the same in accordance with the laws of this State.

So help me God;

Martha Depshaw
Sworn to and Subscribed before me
This Oct 7th 1898,
J. F. Corbett
Ordinary