

The foregoing Will Recorded November 6th 1836.

(J. M. White ck. O.C.C.)

State of Georgia } I Richard Thurmond being now of sound
Carroll County. } mind and memory but feeble in health and
knowing that I must die Have made ordained constituted appo-
inted and published the following my last will and Testament
And first I Recommend my Body to the Earth from whence it
came to be Buried in a decent Christianlike manner And I
Recommend my Soul to God who gave it Confidently believing
and hoping that through the Intercession of the Redeemer they
will be reunited at the day of the Resurrection and raised to life
Eternal. And as regards my worldly effects In the first place
I desire that all my Just debts be paid Including burial
Expenses &c

Item 1st I Give and bequeath to my beloved wife Nancy Thur-
mond and a Negro Girl Mary now about nine years old to have
and hold her & her Increase during the natural life of the said
Nancy and also the house hold and Kitchen furniture and my
Wear & Tights if I own her at my death If not an other horse of her
value All the above to be held by my said wife during her natural
life I Also wish my said wife to have Two Cows & Calves

Item 2^d

I Give to my beloved Son John Thurmond my negro boy Henry
about four years old to be his Absolutely

Item 3^d I Give to my beloved Daughter Sarah Peter one negro Woman
Caroline about 26 years of age

Item 4th I Give to my beloved Daughter Julia Ann Nichols my
negro woman Tina about 26 years old and her two children
Sandy and Thomas one about 2 years old & the other about 3 months
old at this time

Item 5th I give and bequeath to my beloved Daughter Elizabeth
Harris her equal proportion of my property to be sold
hereafter by my Executors herein after directed with my other six
children That is one seventh of the proceeds of said Sale after
Expenses to hold the same to & for own use and benefit separate
and apart from her present or any future Husband To enjoy the
the benefits and proceeds arising from the said share or part for her
own separate use during her natural life and then to go to the children
that she has or may have by her present or any future Husband
to be divided between her said children after her death

Item 6th

I give and bequeath to my beloved Daughter Mary Cook my negro
boy John about 17 years of age

Item 7th I Give and bequeath to my beloved son Richard P. Thur-
mond my negro boy Levi about eight years old

Item 8th I Give and bequeath to my beloved Daughter Martha
Watts Eight hundred dollars in money with an equal share

of the Property sold as herein after directed that is one
 Sixth of the proceeds of the Sale after paying expenses &
 Specific legacies of the said money to be for her own separate
 use and benefit separate and apart from the claim or right
 of her present or any future husband to enjoy the benefits &
 and profits arising from the same for and during her
 natural life and at her death the same to be equally divided
 between her children that she now has or may hereafter
 have by her Present or any future Husband

I Turn 9th I Desire that the property and effects that I
 may be possessed of at the time of my death Except that
 disposed of by the foregoing I am to be sold by my Executors
 in a manner as they may think most advantageous to the
 Estate And paying my just debts and all the expenses of &
 attending the Estate and the Specific Legacies above named
 that the balance be divided in seven equal shares & divided
 one share to each of the above named children or their
 legal representatives But the shares of Elizabeth Harris &
 Martha Watts to be held in trust by my said Executors
 for the use and benefit of the said Elizabeth & Martha
 Respectively during their natural lives and at their deaths
 to be equally divided among their children as above provided
 But in neither case is the amount coming to be subject
 to the control of or management of the present or future
 husbands of the said Elizabeth or the said Martha Except
 the said Husband be duly appointed Trustee by a
 Court having that power

I Turn 10th I nominate and appoint my son John
 Thurmond and my son in law Mr. Peter my Executors
 to carry out this my Will

I Turn 11th I also desire that at the death of my beloved wife
 the property above bequeathed to her that may remain
 be sold by my executors and the proceeds be equally divided
 among my seven above named children or their legal representa-
 tives In Witness Whereof the said Richard Thurmond
 hath hereunto set his hand and seal this 3rd day of September
 1850 Richard ^{his} Thurmond

Signed sealed declared and
 Published as the last Will and Testament of the said Richard
 Thurmond in presence of the undersigned who saw the said
 the said Richard Thurmond sign the same in their presence
 & each of whom signed the same as witnesses in the presence
 of each other and of the said Testator the day & year
 above written

Thos Chandler
 L. J. Higgins
 Wm W. Turner

Georgia Court of Ordinary March Term 1854
 Carroll County In open Court personally came John P. Peter

One of the Executors named in the last Will and Testament of Richard Thurman late of said County deceased & produced in open Court the last Will and Testament of the said Richard Thurman dec'd. And the witnesses of said Will to wit Thomas Chandler L. J. Hurdzine and Wm W. Turner which witnesses being duly sworn depose and say that they saw Richard Thurman and the Testator sign seal declare & publish the Instrument now presented as his last will and Testament freely voluntarily and of his own accord and without any compulsion or influence whatever That at the time of the Execution of the said Will said Testator was of sound and disposing mind and memory That deponents signed said said Will as witnesses in the presence of the Testator and at his special Instance and request and in the presence of each other

Sworn to and Subscribed
in open Court & in solemn form
This 2nd day of March 1857

Thomas Chandler
L. J. Hurdzine
Wm W. Turner

J. M. Blalock Ordinary C.C.

Recorded this 5th day of March 1857

J. M. Blalock

Ordinary