

in said will upon her taking the oaths required by law  
the 2<sup>d</sup> February 1803

D. Richards Ordinary

The Last Will and Testament of Mr Brooks Deed  
State of Georgia  
Barrel County I William Brooks of said State and County  
being of sound and disposing mind and memory  
do make this my last will and testament.

Item first I give bequeath and devise to my wife Catherine  
Brooks the following property & Wit all of my real and  
personal property consisting of lot of Land the Two hundred  
and three in the sixth District County and State aforesaid  
together with Stock Tools and all else thare to belonging  
during her natural life time this bequest to my said  
wife is made in lieu of her whole dower

Item Second

I give bequeath and devise to my two daughters  
Mollie Brooks and Catherine Brooks equally fifty acres  
out of the center of the east half of said lot of land the  
Two hundred and three together with all the personal property  
thareto belonging except that A J Brooks minor of A J Brooks  
deceased shall have one horse worth Twenty five Dollars  
one Cow and one Son and pigs, and Esther A Brooks minor  
of A J Brooks deceased shall have one Cow and one Son  
and pigs

Item Three I give

I give bequeath and devise to my two  
Grand Children William J. and Esther A Brooks Fifty acres  
off of lot of land the one hundred and eighty four de-  
scribed as follows Commencing at the northeast corner  
of said lot of land and running with one hundred  
and twenty five rods thence ~~due south~~<sup>due west</sup> one hundred and  
twenty five rods thence north to the starting point. Provided  
that the said William and Esther A Brooks shall accept this in  
lieu of their fathers estate and give their receipts to the  
Ordinary in Settlement of the same

Item Four

I give bequeath and devise to my daughter  
A E Hill to my daughter Jane A Brooks to my Son  
John A Brooks to the heirs of my Son A J Brooks to the  
heirs of my Son Thomas A Brooks and my Son James  
A Brooks the remaining one hundred and fifty acres  
to be divided into twenty five acre lots appraised value  
and equalized so that each one will have their Pro Rata share

## Item Five.

The bequest in item three to William J Brooks a  
conditional that should he remain on the homestead and  
work and help to support his Grandmother and Aunts  
until he becomes of age otherwise to be void

## Item Six

Whatever remains of the property bequeathed to my Daugher  
Mollie J and Catharine A Brooks at their death shall be  
Equally divided between my legal heirs.

## Item Seventh

I hereby Constate and appoint my son James F  
Brooks Executer of this my Last Will and Testament. This  
the 23rd day of May 1887 William Brooks

Signed declared and published by William Brooks  
as his last Will and Testament in the presence of us  
the subscribers who subscribe our names herto in the  
presence of said Testator at his instance and request and  
of each other, he signing in our presence and we signing  
in his presence

R F Rose

J H Algood

J D Edwards

Filed in Office August 16<sup>th</sup> 1887

S J Brown Ordinary

## Georgia Carroll County

We R F Rose, J H Algood & J D Edwards do  
swear that we and each of us saw the within  
named William Brooks sign and publish the  
within paper as his Last Will and Testament That  
the subscribers our names to the same as witnesses  
at the special instance and request of the said  
William Brooks and in his presence and in the  
presence of each other, that the said William  
Brooks signed the same freely and voluntarily  
and was at the time of such signing of sound  
and disposing mind and memory.

Swear to and subscribed

before me this 7th 1887

S J Brown Ordinary Carroll Co

Dated in Office 2nd of Aug 1887

R F Rose

J H Algood

J D Edwards

## Georgia

I J D Brooks do solemnly swear  
Carroll County that this writing contains the true last  
Will and Testament of the within named Wm Brooks,  
deceased, so far as I know or believe, and that I will  
well and truly execute the same in accordance with law  
of the state so help me God. J D Brooks Executer  
Sworn to and witnessed before me this 7<sup>th</sup> day of Aug 1887

S J Brown Ordinary