

I John Woody being sound in Body and mind and knowing that
all things must come an end, and wishing to provide for my
family after I am gone do make the following Will
First after paying of my debts I will and bequeath my whole
estate to my wife Both Real and personal during her Widowhood
and at the end of her Widowhood then to be divided as follows
to wit. I leave my land and plantation for a home for my
four Daughters single, as long as they live single. Mary, Jane,
Isabel & Nancy. I leave them one negro Boy named Bill and
one negro Girl named Narrah together with all the Chickens
she has now, and all that she may have hereafter to work for them.
I leave them two horses, one Waggon and over two work Steers
and all the necessary plantation tools, and as much of the house
and kitchen furniture as they shall think proper to take.
One Cow & Calf a piece, two Sows & Pigs, and as much provision
will do them and their Stock for one Year. Their bedding
and all that they claim as their own. And my Son Hastings
a Bed & Bedding. Then my will is that the Balance of my Estate
be sold and equally divided between all my Children. Mary, Rose
Jane, Isabel, Narrah, John, Elizabeth, Nancy & Hastings. And at
the death or Marriage of the first mentioned four Girls then the
Balance of my Estate sold and equally divided among all my
Children. Except my land and that I give to any two Sons
as long as they live and their heirs, and it aint to bar my
Contract hereafter. And I name my two Sons Executors of
to this my last Will. And I set aside all the other Wills
that I have made heretofore as null and void.

Signed the 22nd day of March in the Year of our Lord
one thousand eight hundred and fifty eight In presence of

A. Weston John Woody

John M. Dale

J. J. Aderhold Jr.

Carroll Court of Ordinary September Term 1858.
The Will of John Woody now being produced in open
Court for probate by Asa Hargrove one of the Testators
in said Will. The Executor in said Will named Harry
refused to qualify and the Witnesses to said Will
John M. Dale Amos Weston & J. J. Aderhold having come
into open Court at this regular term of said Court

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and being duly sworn deposes that they saw John Woody sent a signed
and published the within as his last Will and Testament while of sound
& disposing mind that they witnessed the same for him at his request
and in his presence and of each other and that the same was executed
voluntarily by him on the day it purports to have been executed
sworn to and subscribed before me in open Court Sept 6th 1858.

J. M. Blalock Esq.

Notary

John W. Hale

Atmos Weston

Witness of Adewold

I Asa Hedges do solemnly swear that this writing contains
the true last Will of John Woody sent so far as I know or believe
& I will execute the same according to my remembrance entered into
with the testator being at time of age by paying first the debts
then the legacies as far as he remembers shall then be paid and
and the law directs me and that I will make a true and perfect
Inventory of all and singular the goods chattels & effects so help me God
Sworn to and subscribed before me Sept 6th 1858.

J. M. Blalock Esq.

Asa Hedges

Received September 7th 1858.

J. M. Blalock Esq.

George Carroll Esq. for the name of God amen I Green Hicks
County of said State and County being in declining health
and knowing that all must die soon it right and proper both as
regards myself and my family that I should make a disposition
of the Property which a kind Providence has blessed me - do therefore make
this my last will and Testament

1st Item I desire and direct that my body be buried in a decent and
Christianlike manner suitable to my circumstances and condition in life
My soul I trust shall return to rest with God who gave it as I hope for
eternal salvation through the merits and attainment of the blessed Lord
and Savior Jesus Christ

2nd Item I desire and direct that all my just debts be paid

3rd Item I give bequeath and devise to my beloved wife Mahala all my
Estate both Real and Personal (after the payment of my debts)
for her own proper use and benefit during her natural life or widowhood
at her death or marriage with any other man My Estate whether
there may be shall be equally divided between my children

4th Item I hereby constitute and appoint my beloved wife Mahala
Executive of this my last will and Testament this the 2nd day of August

1858.

Green Hicks

Signed Sealed delivered and published by Green Hicks as his
last Will and Testament in the presence of us the subscribers who subscribe our
names hereunto in the presence of said Testator and of each other this August 2nd 1858.

G. W. Church

J. W. Cider