

Georgia

In the name of God Amen I
Robert Gibson of the County of Chatham
plaster being first made in 1797
after of a sound and disposing mind
memory and understanding do make
this my last Will and Testament in
the manner and form following. That
is to say, first I recommend my Soul
to Almighty God who gave it and
my body to be decently interred
at the discretion of my Executor
herein after named And as to such
worldly estate with which it has
pleased God to bless me I give and
dispose of the same in manner
following that is to say I give
and bequeath unto my beloved wife
Sarah Gibson All that House
wherein she now lives together
with the Out Houses and other

Buildings thereunto belonging
And also the Hundred Acres of the
plantation or land on which it
stands that is to say the part-
now withed To have and to hold
thesaid House buildings and
land unto my said wife for and
during the term of her natural
life And from and immediately
after her decease I give and
devise the same unto my son
Robert Stewart Gibson To have
to him his heirs and assigns for ever
And I give and bequeath unto
my said wife my two slaves
Samuel and old Jack men and
Chloe and Kate women To hold
to her for and during the term
of her natural life and after
her decease the same to be
equally divided between my
Children Daniel William and
Robert Stewart And I give

61

into my said wife during her natural
life the use of all my Household
Furniture save and except my
Hologary Bureau or Desk and also
the use of all my Horses Cattle Hogs
and other Stock on the said Plantation
which shall not be sold, but kept
together, until the death of my
said wife, after which the said
furniture and stock shall be
equally divided between my said
three children and it is my Will &
intention that the above mentioned
Devises and bequests to my said wife
be in lieu and bar of her dower
I give and devise unto my Son
Daniel the Hundred Acres of Land
being part of the same tract on
which my wife resides, the whole
containing these Hundred Acres
to hold to my said Son his
Heirs and Assigns for ever
And I give and devise unto

10⁶ my Son William the Hundred
 acres of land, being the remaining
 part of the said tract I hold to
 him, his Heirs and Assigns for
 ever of which said last mentioned
 two hundred acres, my said Son
 Daniel shall have his choice
 and I give and bequeath unto
 my said Son Daniel my Negro
 Slaves, George, Luamie, Frank
 and Rachel I hold to him his
 Heirs Executors Administrators and
 Assigns for ever And I give unto
 my said Son Daniel my
 Mahogany Desk I live and
 bequeath unto my said Son
 William my Negro Slaves
 Pencie, Harper, Tanny and old
 Mole I give and bequeath unto
 my said Son Robert Stewart
 my Negro Slaves Martin, Harry
 and little Chloe And it is my

That at the first child that shall
be born of any one of the above
named Negroes which and he safely
brought up and raised to the age
of ten years, shall go to and become
the property of my said Son Robert
Stewart so as to make his share
equal to those of his Brothers,
And I give unto my said Son
Robert Stewart my two Slave
Boys And it is my will and I do
hereby direct that my said Sons
shall not be entitled to receive
their respective shares of my Estate
until they shall respectively attain
the age of twenty one years but
that the same shall in the mean
time be kept together and the profits
and produce thereof be applied
towards their maintenance and
education or put to their use,
And all the rest residue from and of

of my estate whatsoever and should
survive and of what nature or kind
soever I give and bequeath
unto my said Sons Daniel
William and Robert Stewart
to be equally divided between
them there and there alikes
And I do hereby nominate
constitute and appoint my
said Son Daniel Gibson sole
executor of this my last Will
and Testament revoking all
other Wills by me at any time
heretofore made and declaring
this only to be my last Will and
Testament In Witness whereof
the said Robert Gibson have
hereunto set my hand and seal
this fourth day of March in
the Year of our Lord the thousand
Seven Hundred and Ninety and in
the fourteenth Year of the
Independence of the United

State of America

his

169

Robert R. Gibson (21)

Test

The within written
Will was signed, sealed
published and declared
by the said Testator as
and for his last Will
and Testament in the
presence of us who in
his presence at his request
and in the presence of each
other have hereunto
subscribed our names
as Witnesses.

George Dunn

Michel Dittus

Joseph Wascher

Georgia Perfume Store

Whitfield Register of Probate
for the County of Spalding
in the State of Georgia

of my estate whatevver and whomevver
I live And of what nature or kind
or use I live and bequeath
unto my said Sons. Daniel
William and Robert Stewart
to be equally divided between
them there and there alike,
And I do hereby nominate
Constitute and appoint my
said Son Daniel Gibson sole
Executor of this my last Will
and Testament revoking all
other Wills by me at any time
heretofore made and declaring
this only to be my last Will and
Testament In Witness whereof
the said Robert Gibson have
hereunto set my hand and seal
this fourth day of March in
the Year of our Lord the thousand
Seven Hundred and Ninety and in
the fourteenth Year of the
Independence of the United States

State of America

his

169

Robert R Gibson (21)
Mist

The within written
Will was signed sealed
published and declared
by the said Testator as
and for his last Will
and Testament in the
presence of us who in
his presence at his request
and in the presence of each
other have hereunto
subscribed our names
as Witnesses.

George Dunn

Michael Dittus

Joseph W. Scher

Georgia Professor James

Whitfield Register of Probate
for the County of Graham
in the State of Georgia

17th appeared Joseph Wilson one
of the subscribing Witnesses
to the foregoing Will, Testament
of Robert Gibson late of the said
County of Lancaster deceased who
being sworn on the holy Evangelist
of Almighty God to a true and
and said that he was present
and did see the said Testator
sign seal pronounce publishing
and are the same to be, contain
his last Will and Testament and
that he was of sound mind at
the time to the best of his Exponent's
believe that George Dunn
Michael Ritter together with his
Exponent subscribed their names
as Witnesses at the request, in
the presence of the said Testator
of each other. Joseph Wilson
Witness this 8th March 1790.
I, William D. H. Clerk
In witness wherefore for Gibson