

Georgia

Before me James Whitefield Register of  
 Probates for the County of Chatham in the State  
 of Georgia appeared Thomas Gibbons Esq  
 one of the subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and  
 Testament of William Thomson late of the City of Savannah  
 and Merchant Deceased who being sworn on the holy  
 Evangelist of Almighty God with that he was honest  
 and did in the said Testament Sign, Seal, pronounce  
 publish and Declare the same to be and contain his last  
 Will and Testament, and that he was of Sound Mind  
 at the time (to the best of that Deponent's belief) and  
 that Edmund Bacon and Robert Dillon together  
 with this Deponent Subscribed their Names as  
 Witnesses, at the request and in the presence of the  
 said Testator and of each other &  
 Sworn this 16<sup>th</sup> March 1794

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very sick and Weak of Body, but of Perfect mind & Reason  
I have be given unto God, Therefore nothing unknown to  
me, I hereby, knowing that it is appointed unto  
all - Men once to die I make and ordain this my last Will  
& Testament, That it to say principally and first of all, I give  
& recommend my soul unto the hands of the Almighty God that  
gave it, and my body I recommend to the Earth, to be bur-  
ied in a decent ~~manner~~ Christian burial, at the discretion  
of my executor here by, unto hereafter named, nothing doing  
thereto, but at the general resurrection. I shall again receive the  
same by the Almighty power of God. - As touching  
such worldly goods, whereunto I have been God to bestow  
in this life, I give demise & dispose of the same in the fol-  
lowing manner and form. -

First I give unto bequeath the sum of twenty pounds to  
my beloved Daughters Mary Griffith & Jane McCrory, that is  
ten pounds to each to be raised out of my Estate & Paid to them  
by my hereafter named Executor & Executrix, for the use & pur-  
pose of purchasing for them and my beloved sons  
Edward Edw<sup>d</sup> Griffith & Andrew McCrory, their husbands  
a Suit of Mourning. Item ~~I give & bequeath~~ I will  
the rest of My Estate &c. to be equally divided among  
my dearly beloved Wife Jane Bell & my three beloved sons  
Robert, David & John Bell, that is to each an equal share,  
when the my dearly beloved Wife Jane Bell shall think proper  
to make the division: unless he should again Marry (at which  
time) if she should her share as before mentioned shall be  
equally divided amongst my three sons Robert, David &  
John Bell. ~~Witness~~

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In the Name of God Amén. I Richard Jey-  
mours of the City of Savannah Gentleman being  
in good health of Body and of Sound and disposing  
Mind & Memory / prais'd be God for the same / am here  
desirous to settle my worldly affairs, whilst I have  
Strength and Capacity, So to Do, Do make & Publish that  
my last Will and Testament, hereby Revoking & making  
Void all former Wills by me at any time heretofore made  
And first I principally Recommend my Soul into the  
hands of my Creator who gave it, and my body to  
the Earth to be interred at the discretion of my Executors  
hereafter named, And as to such worldly  
Estate where with it has Pleas'd God to interest me  
I dispose of the same as followeth. Infirmities Swift,  
Order Direct, that all such debts as I shall justly owe at  
my decease together with my funeral expenses, shall  
be justly and fully Paid & Satisfied by my Executors  
Out of my personal Estate and bequest  
unto Louisa Town

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I ordain my dearly beloved Wife Jane Bell Executor &  
my beloved Son Robert Bell Executor to this my last Will  
& Testament. And I do utterly disallow, revoke &  
disannull all and every other former Testaments, Wills,  
Codicils, Bequests, Executions & Executores; by me in any  
way before named, written & Bequeathed; ratifying &  
confirming this and no other, to be my last Will and  
Testament; in Witness whereof I have hereunto set  
my hand & Seal, the day and Year beforementioned.  
Signed, sealed, pronounced  
published & declared, by the said  
David Bell as his last Will &  
Testament, in the presence of us  
the Subscribers &

his  
David Bell  
mark

Tit Cowling  
Andrew Conkey  
Mary Griffith

George

Before me James Whitfield Register of  
Probates for the County of Chatham in the State of  
Georgia  
Appeared Haughton Cowling one of the Subscribing  
Witnesses to the foregoing Will and Testament of David Bell  
deceased, who being Sworn testified that he was present & did  
see the said Testator sign making a mark, Seal, pronounce,  
publish & declare the same to be and was his last Will

Testament and that he was of sound mind at the time / as  
the best of this deponent's belief / and that Deacon H. C. C. and  
Mary G. G. together with this Deponent Subscribes  
to their former Wills at the request and in the presence  
of the said Deacon & of each other -

Savannah  
March 31<sup>st</sup> 1774

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A. D. C. C.

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