

In the name of the most High God Father,
son & Holy Spirit. amen. —

I Tho: F. Williams late merchant of the City of
Savannah, being of sound & disposing mind & memory
do make & ordain this my last will & testament.

Imprimis. I commit my soul to God & my body to the
dust in full & certain hope of the resurrection. —

Secondly. I desire that all my just debts may be
paid as soon after my decease as possible.

3^d. I give & bequeath to the State of Georgia
my native State, two thousand Dollars in Georgia
audited certificates at their nominal value, as
expressed in the body of said certificates. — I further
give them my advice to pay all their just debts
because righteousness exalteth a nation but sin is
the disgrace of any people.

3^d. I give to Miss Hannah Hilly five hundred Dollars.
4th. I give to my Mary Stackhouse five hundred
Dollars.

5th. I give to Chatham Co. Wills, Book G, 1808-1847
www.georgiapioneers.com ~~Edward Hilly~~ one thousand &
fifty Dollars, ~~to be paid to him~~, deducting therefrom
abt. four hundred Dollars, due by me to his
late father's estate ~~which~~ sum he will credit
that estate, as received from me in full.

6th. I acquit Mrs. Thomas Hilly of a balance due
me on acct.

7th. I give & bequeath to Miss Jane E. Clancy, the
daughter of my Mother's brother one thousand Dollars.

8th. I give to Mary Ann Clancy, James sister, the
stock of Cattle, purchased at the sale of William
Butler's estate & now in the care of Edw^d Bourque.

9th. Whereas, the Judgt in the Fed. Court in fa-
vor of Richard Dennis against Stephen F. Williams
has become mine by settlement with Rich^d Dennis.

I desire all the property belonging to said Williams
may be secured to him under that Judgement dur-
ing his life and at his death I give & bequeath
the same to his children Margaret & Catherine
& Stephen F. Williams then & there after.

10th. I give and bequeath to my brother Stephen S. Williams, my proportion of the negroes now in possession of Capt. Marbury & which after Mr. & Mrs. Marbury's decease belong to the estate of my deceased father.

11th. I further give & bequeath to my brother Stephen S. Williams during his life one half of the Back Yard on condition that he continue the establishment for the joint benefit of himself and my estate.

12th. I give and bequeath to my wife Sarah Williams one hundred volumes of my books - all my house hold and kitchen furniture including beds &c. also my carriage & one fourth part of all my remaining Estate of every kind.

13th. I give and bequeath to my son Ebenezer Hilly Williams & my daughter Hannah Locke Williams all my remaining estate to be equally divided between them. But in the event of my leaving other children besides these two, then to my desire the remaining three quarters of my estate to be equally divided among the children which may survive me.

Thos. F. Williams.

14th. Whereas there still remains a house on the Pilature Lot, a tract of land on Crooked River, and about ten thousand dollars in Georgia audited certificates besides some uncollected debts, undivided between Rich^d. Dennis & myself and these are liable for the payment of certain demands for which they will be more than sufficient. It is my desire that any sum which may belong to me after the payment of the debts of Dennis & Williams be employed in manner following. I give and bequeath the said amount be it more or less, in trust to my heirs after named executors to be put out at interest upon good security, and at the end of twelve and an half years - the principal and interest to be paid to the first incorporated body for the establishment of an Infirmary within the State of Georgia for the relief and protection of afflicted and aged Africans and should

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such an institution may be founded within the period named
then I desire the said sums be again put at interest until
such a necessary & benevolent institution shall arise.

15th. I leave all my manuscripts to the care of my friend
George D. Sweet and if he can select from among them
any worth printing, I request him to arrange them for
that end, and my desire is that the profits arising from
their publication be also employed for the relief &
protection of afflicted & aged Africans in the same
manner as the bequest in the preceding article

Thos. F. Williams.

16th. I appoint my Brother Richard F. Williams and my
son Ebenezer F. Williams when he shall reach his eight-
eenth year, (which will be on the fifteenth of February
eighteen hundred & thirty one) executors of this my last
will & testament, and I authorize my brother to sell
for the best prices he can the negroes purchased
by me from the estate of Butler, together with the
plantation Woodville, so as to enable him to pay
my debts & legacies & especially to secure at interest
the amount of Chatham Co. Wills, Book G, 1808-1847
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of William Butler, whose children & their estate I com-
mit to his special care. My desire is that the
remainder of my estate be kept together for the
benefit of my wife & children. I desire my children
may be well educated. My son Ebenezer I wish taught
the Hebrew Language and history of the Jewish
Nation, as, should it please God to convert him
I should wish him to employ his time, talents
& talents in benefiting the descendants of Abraham
to whom I am persuaded God has designs of rich
mercy. In the event of my wife's marrying
again, the proportion of my estate left her wife
separately be separated from that of my children.
I recommend her having it secured to her for-
ever to her marriage. It is my wish that
the with our children in some healthy part of
United States & if practicable, near a Seminary
education. Sat 25th Sept. 1816

Thos. F. Williams

In presence of

Testator & delivered in presence of
Stephen S. Williams
Hannah Hilly
Jane C. Clancy. -

Georgia
Chatham County } Chambers of the Court of Ordinary
12th December 1816.

Present the honourable John P.
Williamson & Oliver Sturge's Justices of the Inferior
Court of said County having Ordinary jurisdiction
Personally appeared Stephen S. Williams of Savannah -
made a subscribing witness to the foregoing and an
unrepealed instrument of writing purporting to be the
last will & testament of Thomas F. Williams late
of said County deceased who being sworn said that
he was present and saw the said Thomas F. Williams
deceased, sign, seal, publish, pronounce & declare
the said unrepealed instrument of writing on a single
sheet of letter paper, each page of which is subscri-
bed at the bottom by the said deceased - as and for
his last will & testament. That the said Thomas F.
Williams was at the time of the signing & disposing mind
& memory to the best of the deponent's knowledge &
belief. That he the deponent and Hannah Hilly &
Jane C. Clancy, subscribed their names, as witnesses
thereto, in the presence of the testator; at his request
& in the presence of each other.

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Stephen S. Williams

Sworn to in open Court
this 12th December 1816.

Saml M. Bonds Clerk. orderly. Ck.

Ordered to be recorded 6 Jan'y 1817. (See minutes.)
6 January 1817. Richard F. Williams esq. appeared
qualified as executor of the foregoing will of Thos
F. Williams dec'd. by taking the oath of an executor
as prescribed by law.

= Bond. M.

Recorded 6 Jan'y 1817 & examined by

= Bond Clerk