

24th June 1826 Then appeared Thomas T Jordan grand
juror as required by the Court and qualified Administrator
with the will annexed of the said Henry W Jordan
deceased

Saml W Bond

Recorded 7th July 1826 Saml W Bond

In the name of God Amen. This is the last
will and Testament of me Thomas Gibbons at present
of the City of New York in the State of New York but late
of Elizabeth Town in the State of New Jersey and
formerly of Savannah in the State of Georgia Esquire
Being now weak in body but of sound mind, prepar-
ing to meet the King of kings when he shall appear
me in the feeble moments of departing life in the
last severe and trying period that laboring hour
of nature I do make this my last will and Testament
God through the intercession of my blessed Redeemer
I submit my body to the Lord to be sealed up
in expectation of a happy resurrection. As to the
disposition of my Estates which is the sole Object
of this Instrument it is as follows. To my son Thomas
Heyward Gibbons I confirm a memorandum in writ-
ing to him of the Mount Vernon Estate and the negroes
therein mentioned so far as the same does not inter-
fere with the provisions herein after Contained in regard
to a portion of the property and Estate in the said
Memorandum mentioned which had since become
vested in me, but I confirm the same to him on
no other Condition than is expressed in the said mem-
orandum. And as it is provided in that memorandum
that in case of the failure of issue of my said son that
I shall by my last will and Testament give that said
Estate real and personal as I shall appoint. I do
therefore by virtue thereof appoint will and declare that
the said Estate real and personal shall in that event
pass over to my son William Gibbons of Savannah
and to his heirs and assigns upon the same terms
and Conditions upon which my Estate herein after

rest, devised to him is limited. To my son William Gibbons
of Savannah I give all the rest and residue of my Estate real
and personal (except such as is herein after devised to my
Daughter Hannah Gibbons) in the State of Georgia and South
Carolina that is to say my Plantations Chaplainsburg, Manfield
Fair Lawn, Orange Valley White Hall, one thousand acres of
Fine Land nearly adjoining devised to me by my Father
a tract of Land adjoining I bought of Joseph M'Nair formerly
by called Brooks Old Field, a Tract of Fine Pasture adjoining
the thousand acre tract bought of Edward Lloyd & Edward
Davies, My Plantations Rose Deer in Chatham County
Tusculum in Decatur County with all my negro Slaves in the
States of Georgia and South Carolina. And I give to my said
son William Gibbons of Savannah and all his Estate
in the States of Georgia and South Carolina as well real
as personal I give to my said son William Gibbons of Sa-
vannah and to his and assigns upon the terms and Con-
ditions herein after next expressed And as to my Estate in
New Jersey namely Rose Hill Farm where I formerly
lived (bought of M'Kerroll) which includes a Lot opposi-
the dwelling House lately occupied by me and also
Wheat Patch farm and triangular Lot, which I bought
of M'Kerroll and also two meadow Lots on the
Edgar road and also a lot nearly opposite to my above
mentioned dwelling House which I bought of Luke Vins
the lot on the Edgar Road just mentioned were bought
one from Mrs. Staldivin the other from Josiah Stunt
and also a house and lot on the Turnpike Road bought
of George & Thomas formerly occupied by Mrs. Jenkins
also my Walnut Hill Farm bought of Hugh Webster
and the salt meadow Lots bought of Jonathan Malt
Nash Crane and Jacob Crane and Cooper Woodruff
Also a four acre Lot on the sound bought from the heirs
of Ogden, and my two farms Riding Lawn bought of
Peter Lorick and Howard farm bought of Howard also
lot adjoining the Riding Lawn farm bought of Ogden
with two small pieces of Ground bought of Butler and
all my Estates in the States of Georgia South Carolina
and New Jersey herein before mentioned and also three
of land with the improvements thereon situated and be-
in the City of New Brunswick County of Middlesex and
State of New Jersey at present in the Occupation of Cornelius
Vanderbilt and lately purchased of James Murphy
appears by Deed of the said James Murphy and wife dated
November first in the year One thousand eight hundred

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and to only three and also a large dwelling House in
Elizabeth Town used as a Tavern and called Union Hotel with
all the Houses lots and premises thereto belonging now in the
possession of William Craig and also a lot adjoining
thereto bought of Isaac Williamson and Benjamin William-
son and also a small Lot in the rear don't a small street
bought of Thomas Price all which said premises & Estate
real and Personal in Georgia South Carolina and New
Jersey I give and devise and bequeath to my beloved son
William Gibbons of Savannah and to his heirs and assigns
forever upon this special limitation and Condition that in
case my said son William Gibbons of Savannah shall
die without lawful issue then my said Estates real and
personal in Georgia South Carolina and New Jersey shall
be sold at public Auction to the best advantage by
order of some Court having due authority in such cases
agreeably to the Laws of the several States where the Estates
severally lie and the proceeds of which sales shall be
divided into three equal parts or shares, one share of
which shall go and be paid to the Church Warden
and Vestry of the Episcopal Church in Savannah
to and for the use of the said Church, another equal
share shall go and be paid to the poor of the said City
and managers of the poor House and Hospital of
Savannah to and for the use of said Institutions
and the remaining equal third part or share shall
go and be paid to the Officers or Managers of the
Female Asylum in Savannah to and for the use
of the said Institution And if it shall happen from
any cause whatsoever either from the want of an act
of Incorporation or from any other Cause or from
any disability whatsoever that it shall be deemed or
adjudged that either of the said Institutions to which the
said proceeds are directed to be paid as aforesaid
shall be or is incapable of taking using and enjoying
the share of the said proceeds so intended to go and be paid
to them respectively as aforesaid then and in such case
the said share of the said proceeds shall be divided equally
between and be paid to the other two said Institutions
which may be deemed and adjudged capable of tak-
ing their respective shares of the said proceeds as given to
them as aforesaid to be used and enjoyed for the same
uses and purposes as the other portions of the said proceeds
so given as aforesaid are respectively above directed to
expressed and intended to be, and if more than one

of the said Institutions, to which the said proceeds are so given as
aforesaid shall be deemed and adjudged incapable of taking
using and enjoying the respective shares of the said proceeds so
given to them respectively as aforesaid then and in such case
The whole of the said proceeds shall go and be paid to the remain-
ing Institution so deemed and adjudged capable of taking
using and enjoying the one third part of the said proceeds
so given to the said Institutions as aforesaid. I do hereby
mean and intend that all the property real and personal
given devised and bequeathed to my said son William Gibbons
of Savannah shall by no Casualty in this life go to John W
Trumbull or all or any one of his Children or one or more
of them or either of their descendants. And I also give devise
and bequeath to my said son William Gibbons of Savannah
my Swamp plantation in South Carolina on Savannah
River also my Plantations in Chatham County Georgia Cal-
led Moreland also a small farm or tract of land in
Elizabeth Town New Jersey called Long Payment bought of
Philip D Dayton. Also a Lot of Land in Morris County New
Jersey called the Mountain Lot now in the occupation of
Samuel Phoenix also all my Bank stock in New York
New Jersey and Georgia and all money in any Bank in
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also all my other property real and personal in New York
New Jersey and Georgia and all money due to me
and all my plate Household Furniture and stock of
Horses in Georgia or elsewhere and also all the rest
and residue of my personal Estate in New York New Jersey
and Georgia which I may die possessed of to have the said
William Gibbons his heirs and assigns forever without any
other Condition or limitation than that no part thereof
shall be given directly or indirectly by my said
son William Gibbons of Savannah or in any way
descend to John W Trumbull or any of his Children
or him or either of their descendants. And in case my
said son William Gibbons of Savannah shall die
without first making such disposition by will or
otherwise of the Estate real and personal herein last above
devised and given to him so as to place the same wholly
and entirely beyond the possible reach of John W Trumbull
and his Children and their and every of their descend-
ants then and in such cases my will is that the said
last mentioned Estate real and personal shall pass in
like manner and upon the same terms with the other
parts of my Estate herein before devised and given to my
said son William Gibbons of Savannah.

Having heretofore given to my said son William Gibbons of Savannah and having had Deeds made in his name for the
certain Lots in the City of New York purchased from James Arden
and Others and the Steam Boat Hotel bought of John Kearney
situated at Marketfield Street in the said City I do confirm
the same to my said son William Gibbons of Savannah. And
I do hereby give and devise to my said daughter Hannah
Gibbons the Daughter of my son Thomas Heywood Gibbons and
her heirs all that tract of land situate lying and being in
the County of Chatham in the State of Georgia and known as
the Mount Vernon Estate composed of several tracts of
Land containing thirty seven hundred more or less with
the hereditaments and appurtenances thereto belonging
which said premises are described in an indentured
Deed of Conveyance bearing date on or about the thirtieth
day of March in the year One thousand eight hundred
and twenty five and made between Samuel Barker
of Savannah in the State of Georgia Merchant of the
first part and myself the said Thomas Gibbons of
the second part recorded in Chatham County Clerk's
Office in Georgia in Book . V. V. folios One hundred
ninety nine and two hundred and also recorded in
Chatham County Clerk's Office in Georgia in Book . V.
folios One hundred and twenty seven and one hundred
and twenty eight To have and to hold all and
singular the said premises with the appurtenances
unto my said daughter Hannah Gibbons her heirs
and assigns forever in fee simple but upon this Condition
that John W. Trumbull or any of his Children or their
or either of their descendants shall in no possible event
whatsoever inherit any part of the said Lands and
premises so devised to her and that the said Han-
nah Gibbons shall not by any devise or other disposi-
tion of the said lands and premises her to devise or
her best she same or any part thereof or interest therein
in the said John W. Trumbull or any of his Children or
their or either of their descendants either directly or indirectly
by Deed of Trust or otherwise, and in case of the death of the
said Hannah Gibbons without being married or leav-
ing lawful issue her surviving or without making any
disposition of the said lands and premises by will or
otherwise in Conformity with the provisions and Intentions
of this my last will and Testament in Relation to John
W. Trumbull his Children and their descendants then
and in such Case I give and devise the said Lands

and premises to my son William Gibbons of Savannah under
the same limitation and upon the same conditions as are herein
before expressed in relation to the Tuckahoe Estate hereby devised
to him herein before contained in preference to the said John M. Trum-
bull or all or either of his children or their or either of their descend-
ants who might otherwise be deemed entitled thereto as their
at Law or otherwise. All these devises and dispositions of
my estate I do limit, and restrain and I trust I have
limited, and restrained and do exclude the said John
M. Trumbull and his children and descendants that no
Court in the United States can construe that any part or
portions of the same can go by any possibility to the said
John M. Trumbull or any or either of his children or any
person descended from him. And I intend further that
my estate shall be so limited and restrained that in no possi-
ble event either by the death of my son the said William
Gibbons of Savannah or of my Grand Daughter Hannah
Gibbons without will or any will he or she may
make shall the children of the said John M. Trumbull
or John M. Trumbull himself or any of his or their descend-
ants acquire or inherit one cent of my estate. And as I
reserved to myself the right and power in and by my deed
of the Farm called Merrill where that man John M. Trumbull
now resides that he or his heirs or assigns who shall
have or inherit the same after the death of Thomas G.
Trumbull should be die before he attains the age of twenty
one year all which will appear by my Deed of gift to
him duly recorded. I do, authorize as aforesaid, appoint
Ann Trumbull the eldest sister of the said Thomas to be
the person who shall take possession and enjoy the said farm
and premises to her, her heirs and assigns forever. And my
said estate real and personal in the States of Georgia,
New Jersey, South Carolina and New York are given,
devised, and bequeathed to my said son William Gibbons
of Savannah upon the following further conditions that
is to say if he should die without any lawful issue and
without making a last will and testament or if he
should make a last will and testament and then by
devise or bequest any part of my estate devised or
bequeathed to him in this my last will or testament
to John M. Trumbull or to his children Thomas Trumbull
John M. Trumbull, Ann Trumbull and Sarah Trumbull
or their any or either of their descendants or any person
in Trust for all or either of them or any part of the proceeds
or interest of my estate while in his possession or if he

shall appear after his death that my said son William Gibbons of
Savannah had in any period of his life after this date given any
property of any kind, or money arising from what funds, or
service it may even if it shall be found property I have already
given to my said son to the said John W. Trumbull or either
of his said Children or dependants then and in any such case
the estate by this my will devised and given to my said son
William Gibbons of Savannah shall go to the public use here
in before expressed devised and intended and not pass by
any such his deeds or testamentary dispositions. And
I do pray to that God before whom I am shortly to appear that
I have been enabled to do to devise and bequeath my whole
estate real and personal that no count may or possibly
can arise in all the changes of this Changing world
that will enable John W. Trumbull or any one of his
Children or any persons descended from him to have
filled one cent or the value thereof from my estate mean-
ing resolving and intending that they shall before
included to the end of time in as exclusive a manner
as if the said John W. Trumbull had never been married
and as if all his Children by Ann Gibbons were ille-
gitimates.

And I hereby give and bequeath the
sum of Five hundred dollars to each of the Children
of my deceased Brother Joseph Gibbons late of Georgia
that may be a live at the time of my death to be paid
to them respectively within twelve months after my
decease. I also give the sum of one hundred dollars
to Elizabeth Cook my House keeper in Savannah
I also hereby give and bequeath unto Elizabeth Cook
now a servant in my house and who has served
me ten years last past the sum of twenty five dollars
a month during the term of her natural life to
be paid to her monthly by my Executor then in re-
sidence that same to commence from the day of my death
and all delays of payment of this sum in any manner
presented shall carry an interest of seven per cent
per annum. I also give to Henry Shreve the sum of
Twenty five dollars if he should in my service at the
time of my decease. And to the son of John
Mead called Thomas Mead now about seven years
old I give and bequeath the sum of twenty dollars
a month to be paid monthly into the hands of Luke
Cocher of Elizabeth Town New Jersey for the use of
and maintenance of the said Child And I appoint
the said Luke Cocher Testamentary Guardian of the

said child, this bequest to commence from the day of my death and the same shall be paid until the said Thomas Brown shall attain the age of twenty five years, and all delays of payment by my Executors shall carry an interest of seven per cent per annum until paid. And whereas I may have omitted enumerating and specially disposing of the whole of my estate real and personal and of every description whatsoever in Georgia South Carolina New Jersey New York and elsewhere devised to my son William Gibbons of Savannah I do hereby further declare it to be my will and intention that the whole of these estates real and personal and also all the estate real and personal I now hold in this world or whereof I may die possessed shall go to my said son William Gibbons of Savannah on the limitations and conditions herein before mentioned. And lastly I do hereby appoint my son William Gibbons of Savannah sole Executor of this my last will and testament and hereby I revoke all former wills and testaments and papers or writings in the nature thereof heretofore made by me. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal at the City of New York this twenty sixth day of October in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and twenty five.

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Signed sealed and published and declared by the said Testator as and for his last will and testament in the presence of us who have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses thereto in the presence of the said Testator and in the presence of each other the word "therein" between the 22^d & 23^d lines of the sixth page and the words "of my estate" between the 23^d & 24th lines of the sixth page being first intimated and the word "himself" in the 23^d line of the sixth page obliterated with a pen

(Signed)
Th Gibbons

Witness
Wm Talmage
Wm B. Jague
James Anderson

Subscribed and sworn to before me by William Talmage and James Anderson two of the witnesses to the annexed writing being duly sworn did solemnly depose and say that they Thomas Gibbons within named sign and seal the same as

him publish pronounce and declare the annexed writing
to be his last will and testament, that at the doing thereof
the said Thomas Gibbons was of sound and disposing mind
and memory as far as these deponents know and as they verily
believe that William B. Jagers the other subscribing witness to
the annexed will was present at the same time and signed
his name as witness thereto together with these deponents in
the presence of the said Thomas Gibbons and of each other, and
that said Thomas Gibbons died more than ten days last past
sworn this twenty seventh
day of May 1826 before me
J. C. Randolph
Surrogate of Essex County

Wm. Talmaage
James Anderson

Also pray Essex County: William Gibbons sole Execu-
tor in the annexed last will and testament of Thomas
Gibbons deceased named being duly sworn did depose &
say, that the annexed writing signed and sealed by
the said Thomas Gibbons deceased contains the true last
will and testament of the said Thomas Gibbons deceased
as far as this deponent knows and as he verily believes,
that he the said William Gibbons as the Executor thereof
will and doth perform the same, first by paying
the debts of said deceased and then the legacies in the
said testament specified as far as the Goods Chattels
and Credits of said deceased will thereunto extend
that he will file in the Surrogate's office of the County
of Essex a true and perfect Inventory of all & singular
the Goods Chattels and Credits of said deceased which
or shall come to his knowledge or possession or to the
possession of any other person or persons to his use, and
that he will & did & will keep a just and true account (when
thereunto lawfully required)
sworn this twenty seventh day of May 1826 before me
J. C. Randolph
Surrogate of Essex County

Probate of the foregoing will was duly signed as follows
J. Francis C. Randolph Surrogate
of the County of Essex do certify the annexed to be a true
copy of the last will and testament of Thomas Gibbons, Legally
made at the City of New York and also late of Elizabeth Town
in the County of Essex, and former of Saratoga deceased
and that William Gibbons of Saratoga aforesaid

The sole Executor therein named proved the same before me and is duly
 authorized to take upon himself the administration of the Estate of
 of the Testator agreeably to the said Will. Witness my hand and
 Seal of office the twenty seventh day of May
 in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred
 and twenty six
 signed J. B. F. Randolph Surrogate
 of Essex County

United States of America
 State of New Jersey - Essex County

I Francis C. F. Randolph
 Surrogate of the County of Essex in the State of New Jersey
 and Keeper of the Books and Records of wills in and for the
 said County of Essex do hereby Certify and make known to all
 to whom these presents shall come, that the foregoing annexed
 writing contains a true copy of the last will and testament of
 Thomas Gibbons Esquire, the Testator therein mentioned deceased
 with the Appositions of the proofs thereto and also of the
 probate thereof issued at the same are recorded in my office
 In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my
 hand and affixed my Seal of Office at New
 York in said County of Essex this twenty ninth
 day of May Anno Domini One thousand
 eight hundred and twenty six
 F. C. F. Randolph Surrogate
 of Essex County N. J.

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United States of America
 State of New Jersey Essex County

I David S. Crand
 Esquire one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas
 being also at office one of the Judges of the orphan
 courts in and for the County of Essex in the State of
 New Jersey there being no presiding Judge of said Court
 in pursuance of the act of Congress of the United States
 Anno in such case made and provided, do hereby Certify
 that the foregoing attestation is in due form and that the
 above named Francis C. F. Randolph is Surrogate of the
 said County of Essex and Keeper of the Books and Records
 of wills in and for said County of Essex and as such is
 authorized and is the proper officer to Certify Copies of wills
 probated
 In testimony whereof I have hereunto
 set my hand this twenty ninth day

May in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred
and twenty six.

D. D. Crane.

United States of America
State of New Jersey Essex County

I David Whitehead Clerk of
the Court of Common Pleas in and for the County of Essex
in the State of New Jersey in pursuance of the act of Con-
gress of the United States in such Case made and provided
do hereby Certify that David D. Crane Esquire in the
 foregoing Certificate named is one of the judges of the Court
 of Common Pleas in and for the said County of Essex, and
 is duly Commissioned and qualified And that there is no
 presiding Judge of said Court

In Testimony whereof I have here-
 unto set my hand and affixed
 my Seal of Office at New York
 in said County of Essex this twen-
 ninth day of May in the year
 of our Lord One thousand eight hun-
 dred and twenty six

(Seal)

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United States of America
State of New Jersey Essex County

I Francis C. Tilan
dolph Surrogate of the County of Essex in the State
 of New Jersey, and Clerk of the Orphan's Court of the
 said County of Essex do hereby Certify and make known
 to all to whom these presents shall come that the
 foregoing and annexed writing contains a true
 Copy of the last will and testament of Thomas Dillon
 Esquire the Testator therein mentioned deceased, with
 the Depositions of the proofs thereto and also of the pro-
 bats thereof issued as the same are recorded in my office

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my
 hand and affixed my Seal of Office at New York
 in said County of Essex this twenty ninth day of
 May in the year of our Lord One thousand eight
 hundred and twenty six

(Seal)

F. C. F. Randolph
 Surrogate of the County of
 Essex & Clerk of the Orphan's
 Court of said County

United States of America. }
State of New Jersey Essex County } p

I David D. Crane one of the judges
of the orphan Court in and for the County of Essex in the State of
New Jersey (there being no Chief Justice or presiding Magistrate
of said Court in pursuance of the act of Congress of the United States
of America in such case made and provided, do hereby Certify
that the foregoing attestation of Francis A. Randolph Seneschal
and Clerk of the orphan Court of the said County of Essex is
the attestation of the Seneschal and Clerk of the said Court,
that the said Certificate annexed is the seal of the said Court
and that the said attestation is in due form.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my
hand and this twenty ninth day of May in the
Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred
and twenty six.

D. D. Crane

Filed on this 16th day of June 1826

Saml. M. Bond Co

Georgia } In the Court of Ordinary }
Chatham County } Chambers 16th June 1826 }

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Accord thereto, a reasonable and lawful order of the Court of Ordinary
of the Inferior Court of Chatham County sitting for or
ordinary purposes.

Appeared William Gibbons sole Executor
named in the aforesaid will of Thomas Gibbons Esquire
and qualified as such by taking the oath prescribed by Law

Saml. M. Bond Co

Recorded 7th July 1826

Saml. M. Bond Co

State of South Carolina }
District of Beaufort }

In the name of God Amen
I Daniel D. McKenzie of the City of
Savannah County of Chatham and State of Georgia
Factor being weak in Body but of sound mind disposing
mind and memory do make Ordain constitute
and appoint This to be my last will and testament in
manner and form following to wit: I do direct
and instruct my Executors herein after named to provide my
Elizabeth McKenzie with good and sufficient mourning
immediately after my decease out of the proceeds of my estate.
I also order and direct that my Executors do pay out