

As it known that I Thomas Mendenhall of the City of Savannah & State of Georgia being of sound disposing mind & memory, and viewing the uncertainty of this life do hereby declare & publish this instrument as my last will & testament in the manner and form following, that is to say. First. It is my will that my funeral expenses & just debts be paid as soon after my decease as may be.

Second. I give & bequeath unto my sister Sarah Ann Hale, her heirs & assigns for ever, for her separate use and benefit & not subject to the control, nor liable for the debts of her present or any future husband, all that lot of land in the city of Savannah with the improvements thereon known in the plan of the City by the number three (3.) Carpenter & Jything Decker wards.

Third. I give & bequeath to my niece Matilda Steward Hall one hundred shares of stock in the (marine & Fire) Insurance Company of Savannah. The interest arising on which during her minority to be applied to her education under the direction of her parents.

Fourth. I give & bequeath unto my wife Elizabeth Bradwell Read Mendenhall (formerly Elizabeth Bradwell, Read & Eliza her heirs and assigns) three hundred shares of stock in the Planters Bank of the State of Georgia, also the sum of three hundred dollars in cash, to be paid her immediately subsequent to my decease, also my negro girl Mary and her issue as slaves, also whatever articles of Furniture, plate, bed & table linen I may possess at the time of my decease.

Fifth I give and bequeath all the residue of my estate both real & personal & mixed, to my nephew, Albert Simpson Mendenhall his heirs & assigns & do hereby constitute and appoint my Executors herein after named, special trustees to manage said property for his interest and account, until he shall have attained the full & complete age of twenty years.

But should it please the Almighty Disposer of Events to take him hence at an earlier period, then, my will that the said property be equally divided between my sister Sarah Ann Hale and each child or children as she may happen to have at that time. The portion of Mr. Sarah Ann Hale to be held under the same conditions & restrictions as expressed in the second item. As it is my wish that my nephew should be educated in the best possible manner I do hereby authorize request

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my executors to apply such sums from time to time out of the income of his proportion of my Estate as may be necessary for that purpose.

Fifth. I do hereby make constitute & appoint my Friend William B. Bulloch and my brother in Law Henry Hall the executors to this my last & sole will & Testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal at Savannah this fifth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & seventeen. & in the forty first year of the sovereignty & Independence of the United States

Thos. Mendenhall G.S.

Signed sealed declared & published before each and all of us by Thomas Mendenhall as his last will & Testament

Anthony Porter.

James G. Almy.

David Miller.

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Present the Honourable Messrs Sheftale, John P. Williamson and Thomas N. More, Justices of the Inferior Court of said County, sitting for ordinary business.

Personally appeared Anthony Porter Esquire a subscribing witness to the foregoing will of Thomas Mendenhall deceased, who being duly sworn saith he was present & did see the said Thomas Mendenhall do sign, seal, publish, pronounce & declare the same to be & contain his last will and Testament. That the said Thos Mendenhall, deceased, was, at the time of executing the same of sound & disposing mind & memory to the best of this deponents knowledge & belief, and that he the deponent and James G. Almy and David Miller subscribed their names as witnesses to the said will in the presence of the said testator at his request and in the presence of each other.

Sworn in open Court,
this 2^d February 1818.

Anthony Porter.

Ernestina Linn. Secy.

Recorded & examined 2 Feb.
1818 by Amos Bond Clark