

Georgia.

In the name of God. amen. I, Thomas Telfair of the City of Savannah, in the State of Georgia being weak in body but by the mercy of God of sound and disposing mind, memory & understanding, do publish and declare my last will and testament as follows

Imprimis, I give devise and bequeath unto my beloved and affectionate wife Margaret, her heirs and assigns in lieu of dower, in my Estate, the following property that is to say, all my Lot and improvements near St James Square in the City of Savannah which Lot was devised to me by my late uncle William Gibbons, also the Lot in Washington Wilkes County on which the old Court House stood and lately purchased by me, also the tract of Land on which I resided, in Wilkes County & the tract which I planted in said County, containing together about Six hundred & eighty eight acres, also all the negro slaves that I own in said County of Wilkes and the future issue and increase of said slaves, together with George & his wife Henry and her children and (Byng & Chance) at my plantation called the Founds, also my house servants Edmund Pally & children, Wally and the future issue and increase of said female slaves, - expressing it as my wish that Wally & slaves should be sold within six months after my death to such owners as will be satisfactory to themselves. I also give to my said wife all my house hold furniture in Savannah and Wilkes County, and my carriage & horses for use wishing her to sell such as she may consider superfluous.

Item. I give devise and bequeath the following property to my daughter Mary her heirs and assigns, to-wit my plantation in Columbia County in this State devised me by me brother Josiah together with all the negro slaves on said plantation and the future issue & increase of the female slaves also all my personal property of whatever kind on said plantation. I also give to my said daughter Mary my silver mug marked Sarah Telfair, my two watches also silver, and one half dozen spoons, engraved with my name also silver.

Item. I give devise and bequeath to my daughter Margaret her heirs and assigns my plantation in Screven County called the Founds and all my negro slaves on said plantation (except such as I have herein before bequeathed to my wife) and the future issue and increase of the female slaves together with all my personal estate

on said plantation, declaring it to be my wish that the said plantation should be sold as soon as my executor herein after named can make it convenient, and the moneys arising from the said sale to be vested for her benefit in such property as my executor shall think best. I also give to my said daughter Margaret one dozen and a half of silver spoons derived from my brother's Estate.

And as my beloved wife is now ensient, if she should be delivered of a male child it is then my will and I devise to said male child my plantation in Columbia County herein before devised to my daughter Mary and all my negro slaves except those bequeathed to my wife, and the residue of my property both real & personal not specially devised I devise and bequeath to my two daughters Mary and Margaret share and share alike and their heirs and assigns. But if my wife should be delivered of a daughter then my will is that all my children shall inherit my estate both real and personal not herein before devised and given to my said wife, their heirs and assigns share and share alike.

Item. in case of the death of any of my children before marriage or attaining the age of twenty one years, it is my will that the survivors their heirs and assigns shall inherit the portion of each deceased child share and share alike and if all my children die before marriage or attaining the age of twenty one years I then devise & bequeath all my property both real & personal to my brother and sister their heirs and assigns.

Item. I give my new sideboard to my sister Sarah Haig.

Item. I do hereby constitute and appoint my brother Alexander Telfair the sole executor of this my last will & testament hereby conferring on him full power to sell at public or private sale any part of my estate real or personal devised to my children whenever he shall consider it beneficial to the interest of my children and to give full & complete title for the same without pursuing the formalities usually required of executors.

Item. It is my wish that the proceeds of my present crop after the payment of my debts be applied to the support & maintenance of my wife & Family.

Signed sealed published and declared by the Testator as his last will and Testament, in presence of us, who at his request and in his presence & in the presence of each other witnessed thereto the words "her heirs and assigns" devised to my children being first interlined.

Georgia
Chatham County

In the Court of Ordinary
March Term 1815.

Present the Honourable James Sheffate, John P. Thompson and Thomas M. Moore Justices of the Inferior Court of said County having ordinary jurisdiction.

Personally appeared Noble M. Jones of Savannah attorney at law who being duly sworn saith that on the eighteenth day of February last past at the request of by the directions of Thomas Telfair Esquire deceased he the deponent drew up the annexed and foregoing instrument of writing consisting of five pages as the last will and testament of the said Thomas Telfair. Then at the desire of the said Thomas Telfair he read to him the said instrument clause by clause in the presence of Mrs. Sarah Telfair every clause of which was approved as correctly drawn, and expressive of his last will & intentions, but he mentioned his wish to alter the last clause which was accordingly done, but while this deponent was annexing the usual attestation the testator was suddenly seized with a spasmodic affection, which terminated so unexpectedly and suddenly his life as to prevent the regular execution of this said instrument as intended by him, and to the best of this deponent's knowledge and belief the said Thomas Telfair was of sound & disposing mind and understanding at the time he delivered his directions, and when this said instrument was read to him and sanctioned as above declared.

Sworn to in open Court
This 2^d day of March 1818?
Saml M Bond Clerk
C. O. V. dy.

N. M. Jones.

2^d March 1818 Then appeared Alexander Telfair Esq
I was qualified as Executor of the foregoing will of Thomas Telfair deceased by taking the ^{oath} prescribed by law

Saml M Bond Clerk

Recorded 2^d March 1818
Examined by me

Saml M Bond Clerk