

State of Georgia
Chatham County

Court of Ordinary

Present John Bills Esqr. Ordinary for County of Chatham
Personally appeared John A. Staley - a subscribing witness to
the annexed instrument of writing purporting to be the last
Will & Testament of Robert Raiford late of Chatham County
deceased, who before I sworne deposed that he was present
and did see the said instrument of writing duly executed
by the said Robert Raiford and deponent further saith that
the said Robert Raiford at the time of executing the said
instrument of writing was to the best of deponents knowledge
and belief of sound and disposing mind and memory
and understanding and that the John A. Staley the (defendant)
and others Cobain and David S. Galloway, in the presence
of each other of the said Robert Raiford and at his request
signed their names as witnesses to the due execution of the same
Sworn to before me this

Eleventh day of May
1857 - John Bills

John A. Staley

1857 - John Bills

OCC

I George W. Wimley, do solemnly swear that this writing
contains the true Last Will of the within named Robert Raiford
deceased so far as I know or believe and that I will see
and try to execute the same by paying first the debts and
then the legacies contained in the same Will. As far as
this goods and chattels will bear unto execute and the same
charge me and that I will make a true and perfect
inventory of all such goods and chattels. So help me
God.

Geo W. Wimley

Sworn to before me
the third day of June
1857 - John Bills OCC

Georgia

Chatham County - In the name of God Amen. I Bosty Babst a
free Black Woman, weak in Body, but of sound Mind
and being desirous of disposing of my worldly affairs do
hereby make ordinance Publick and declare the following
to be my Last Will and Testament - 1st It is my will under
desire that my just debts be paid as soon as possible after
my death, and that Jane Wilson have Possess and enjoy
all that half Lot No 4 Washington Ward City of Savannah
during her natural life, and after her death, then to be the
property of Sally Beard a daughter of the said Jane Wilson
if she be living. 2nd Jane Wilson will pay to Emma
M. W. the sum of One Hundred Dollars for her use hereafter
and behoof - It is my Will and desire that my house
furniture improvements and all other my worldly effects
be given to the said Jane Wilson - I do hereby constitute
James and appoint Michael Finney Guardian of the said

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Jane Wilson, Executrix of this my last Will and Testament
In Witness whereof I have herunto
Betsy Babblest, set my hand and seal this ninth day
of April 1857. *Betsy Babblest*

Signed sealed Published and
declared by the Testatrix to be
and Contain her last Will & Testa-
ment in the presence of us who
have signed and subscribed our
names in the presence of each other
and of the Testatrix and at her request

Wm Morrell

John C. Latham
Master's Clerk

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& Present John Bilbo Ordinary for the County of Chat-
tanooga appeared William Morrell a Subscribing Witness
to the above instrument of writing testifying to the last
Will and Testament of Betsy Babblest a free woman of Color
late of Chatham Co., Ga deceased who being duly sworn
affidavit made with it. He was present, and did see the said
instrument of writing duly executed by the said Betsy
Babblest. And do further say further say that the said Betsy
Babblest at the time of executing the said instrument of
writing, was to the best of Defendants knowledge and belief
of sound mind, disposing mind, memory and understanding
say that the William Morrell (the defendant) and John C.
Latham and Master Berkman in the presence of each other
and of the said Betsy Babblest, and at her request signed
their names as witnesses to the due execution of the same

Sworn to before me

this twenty eighth day of June *Wm Morrell.*

1857. *John Bilbo O.C.C.*

I Michael F. Sirney, do solemnly swear that this
writing contains the true Last Will of the within named
Betsy Babblest a free woman of Color deceased, so far as I
know or believe. And that I will well and truly execute the
same, by paying first the debts and then the legacies contained
in the said Will, as far as her goods and chattels will
sufficient extend and the law charges me. And that I will
make a true and just full inventory of all such Goods &
Chattels. So help me God.

Sworn to before me this
Eighth day of July 1857

Michael F. Sirney

John Bilbo

O.C.C.