

Should be under age or minors guardians
are to be appointed for them during their mi-
nority.

I also will and devise to my wife a share
of my estate equal to each one of my children
or their heirs, she to receive a share equal to a
child.

I then will and appoint my Son John
Knowles as executor of the above my last will
and testament.

Signed in the presence of
G. W. Martin Charles Knowles
W. L. Brandon
Silas Embury

State of Georgia } I John F. Morton of County
Chattooga County } and State aforesaid being of
sound mind and disposing ^{mind} ~~mind~~ ^{will} ~~will~~
org. but conscious of the uncertainty of my life and
wishing to dispose of my property and effects, while in
life do make and publish this my last will and Tes-
tament.

Item 1st As soon as convenient after my death I desire
my executors hereinafter mentioned to pay my funeral
expences to gather with all debts I may owe out
of my land money or cash on hand at the time of my
death or out of the proceeds of sale of any proper-
ty not herein specially bequeathed.

Item 2nd I give and bequeath to my son
Thomas F. Morton the following described land
to wit Lot No (262) two hundred and sixty two in the
sixth district and four th section Chattooga Coun-
ty known as the Ogilvie lot and valued to him
at sum of thirty two hundred dollars upon the follow-
ing limitations and restrictions that is to say for
life to him the said Thomas F. Morton and then to his
children in fee and should the said Thomas F. die
leaving no children at his death then to his lawful heirs.
I desire however in the event my said son should deem
it to the interest of himself and children to sell
said land and invest in other land that he be
permitted to do so under the direction of the Chancery
Court upon his filing in such court such bonds
as will ensure the reinvestment and having hereto-
fore advanced to the said Thomas F. Morton the sum
of five hundred in Cash and charged up to him
making with the aforesaid land the full sum
of thirty seven hundred dollars bequeathed to him in.

this
 Item of my will
 Item 3rd

I give and bequeath to my son John W Morton my farm on Chattooga River in the County aforesaid containing two hundred and fifty eight acres more or less being Lot No (55) fifty eight and part of Lot No (87) eighty seven in the Sixth district and fourth Section under like limitations and restrictions contained in Item second of this will relating to Thomas W Morton, and valued to him the said John W Morton at the sum of forty two hundred dollars, requiring the said John W Morton to pay back in to my Estate or to my executors the sum of five hundred dollars thus making and giving to him thirty seven hundred dollars. In addition to the foregoing bequest I hereby relinquish to the said John W Morton a certain Note on R B Norton & Son calling for about the sum of Seven hundred and twenty dollars gold the said note rightfully belonging to the said John W Morton said Note being the profits resulting from a trade with William White and by said White directed to be given to the said John W Morton.

Item 4th I give and bequeath to my Daughter Ida E Morton the Lot in the Town of Desota Floyd County Georgia bought of Samuel Gibbons Trustee for Mrs Pence one hundred feet front on Mill Street and running back to Oustenolla River on which are situated two dwelling houses valued to her at the sum of thirty two hundred dollars and in addition to said Lot I hereby direct my executors to pay her out of my Estate the sum of five hundred dollars making the sum of thirty seven hundred dollars. But the said Ida E takes said Lot subject to the following limitations and restrictions that is to say for life with remainder to the heirs of her body in fee, and in the event of said Ida E's death before marriage the said Lot shall go to and be equally divided between her brothers and sisters then living or if any of such brothers and sisters should be dead, then to the children of such brother or sister Per Stripes and in the event of her marriage and death without issue then one half of said Lot to her husband if living and the remainder to her brothers and sisters as above expressed.

Item 5th I give and bequeath to Laura M Morton the two houses and lots situated in the Town of Desota Floyd County Georgia fronting on Mill Street one hundred feet and running back same width to Oustenolla River valued to her at the sum of thirty hundred dollars.

and in addition to said Lots I hereby direct my executors to pay to my said Daughter Lura M the sum of seven hundred dollars. Making up to her the sum of thirty seven hundred dollars. but the said Lura M takes the above described real estate subject to all the restrictions and limitations mentioned in Item fourth of this will in relation to the property given to Ida E Morton.

Item 6th I give and bequeath to my Daughter Emily A Morton my home place in Chattooga County being Lot No (263) and part of Lot No 277 in the Sixth district and fourth Section of said County containing about two hundred and forty acres more or less. valued to her at the sum of thirty seven hundred dollars, but this bequest is made to the said Emily A Morton under the same limitations and restrictions as made in Items 4th & 5th of this my will in relation to the real estate of my other daughters, Ida E and Lura M Morton in the disposition of my property thus for endeavoring to make my children equal in real estate.

Item 7th It is my will and I hereby direct my executors to pay out assets belonging to my estate to each one of my daughters, Ida E, Lura M and Emily A Morton the sum of five hundred dollars. In the possible event that there should not be assets sufficient in the hands of my executors to meet and pay the said sum of five hundred dollars to each of my said daughters then and in that event I desire that my five children contribute equally and alike to make up the same to the daughters, they sharing in the contribution.

Item 8th I desire my executors to keep the property situated in Desota and bequeathed to Ida E and Lura M Morton insured until they shall have guardians appointed for them whose duty it shall be to keep the same insured.

Item 9th It is my will that my executors as soon as convenient after my death sell in terms of the Law all my property real and personal not disposed of in this will or such Codicil as I may hereafter make and append hereto and after paying the necessary expenses of their administration and the special bequest herein made divide the remainder equally and alike between all my children.

Item 10th I hereby appoint W B Scott and William Kix of Chattooga County and George A Morton of Floyd County my executors of this my last will and testament, in testimony whereof

I have this the twenty fourth day of December 1874
Done in Rome Georgia John H. Morton (Seal)

Signed Sealed Declared and Published by John
H. Morton as his last Will and Testament in pres-
ence of each of the undersigned witnesses who
have subscribed our names hereto as witnesses
in the presence of the Testator and at his special
instance and request and in the presence of each
other December 24th 1874

J. H. Alexander
R. A. Denny
J. V. Wright

State of Georgia } Having on the 24th day of December 1874
Chattooga County } made and published the within and fore-
going Last Will and Testament which was
witnessed by J. H. Alexander, R. A. Denny and J. V. Wright
and being desirous to make some slight changes therein
and some Additions thereto do make and publish
this Codicil to my said Will

First I desire to change the Legacy bequeathed
to Thomas H. Morton in Item Second of my said Will
as follows, that is to say, The rents of twelve acres of
the land so bequeathed to said Thomas H. to be paid
Annually to my daughter Emily A. Morton until she
shall arrive at the age of twenty one years, said
rents to begin with the year 1876, the said twelve acres
being the cleared land in the South East Corner near-
est the Home place and part of Lot 262 in 6th Dis-
trict and 4th Section

Second It is my will and desire to charge
the Legacy bequeathed in my said Will to Emily A.
Morton in Item 6th of my said Will as follows that is
to say: In consideration of my regard, affection
for Tony Morton his wife Milly (formerly servants)
for their faithfulness as such servants before and since
their freedom I desire that they shall have the
privilege of living in the tenements they now occupy
on Lot No 263 in the 6th District and 4th Section and
allowed to use and cultivate about one acre around
the house they occupy and also a small piece
of ground South West of the gin house containing
about eight or nine acres all free of rent so long
as they or either of them shall live or, they shall vol-
untarily abandon the same, the said Tony and
wife Milly keeping the same in repair at their own
expense: I further desire that should the said Tony
and his wife Milly voluntarily remain on said prop-
erties and they are either of them become so old or

infirm as to be unable to provide for them selves it is in that event my desire and will that all my children in common see to it that Said Tony and Milly have suitable food and clothing when they are unable to provide the same for them selves and when they shall die that they be decently buried and that they be allowed to keep with them to wait on them in sickness and old age their youngest grandchild Delia (Coloud) to be supported as Tony and Milly as long as she may wait upon them or until they are dead and the Said Legacies herein bequeathed to my several children are equally and alike charged with the expence of feeding and clothing the Said Tony and wife and grand-child as herein required

Third. It is my will and desire that one gentle horse and the buggy the furniture of the parlor and sitting rooms, table, house and kitchen furniture be not sold but kept together for the use of the family until the family shall be broken up and dissolved by marriage, death or otherwise

Fourth. I wish and will my Daughter Emily A. to have the Diana and to be charged therefor in the Settlement of my estate with one hundred and twenty five dollars

Fifth. I wish my Daughter A. A. Morton to have the Parlor Organ and to be charged therefor in Settlement the sum of one hundred dollars

Sixth. I desire that all the rents and profits of real estate for the year 1875 be collected in for the benefit of whole estate; that after the year 1875 and from January 1876 the rents issues and profits of the lands willed to my three daughters and John A. Morton be collected in annually and used for the joint benefit of Said legatees last named until John A. shall become of age but should said John A. find it to his interest ~~any time~~ before he arrives at majority to live away from home then he shall have and receive one fourth of the aggregate rents so collected in till he arrives at majority when he shall take charge of the property bequeathed to him under the restrictions and limitations attached to such bequests

Seventh. To remove any doubt that might arise as to my intention I desire to say and will that the Cotton gin and press remain upon the land and is part of my bequests to Emily A. Morton

Eighth. It is my wish that the executors mentioned in my will, to which this is Codicil act as such executors to carry out all the appointments and bequests and wishes expressed in the

same

same in connection with the alterations and additions made in this Codicil

April 27th 1875

John F. Morton Seal

Signed Sealed and Published by John F. Morton as a Codicil to his Last Will and Testament in presence of each of the undersigned witnesses who have subscribed our names hereto as witnesses in the presence of the Testator and at his special instance and request and in the presence of each other April 27th 1875

J B High

W G Scogin

U A Blackburn

State of Georgia In the name of God Amen
Chattooga County ss. Martin A. Lawrence of
said County, being of advanced
age and knowing that I must shortly depart this
life, deem it right and proper, both as respects
my family and myself, that I should make a
disposition of the property with which a kind
providence has blessed me; do therefore make this
my last will and testament, hereby revoking all others

I Item 1st I desire and direct that my body
be buried in a decent and Christianlike manner
suitable to my circumstances and condition
in life. My Soul I trust shall return to rest with
God who gave it

I Item 2nd I desire and direct that all my just
debts be paid without delay by my Executors herein
after appointed, as I am unwilling my Creditors
should be delayed in their rights

I Item 3rd I give bequeath and devise to
my beloved wife Nancy E. Lawrence with whom I have
lived in the strictest quiet for thirty seven years a part
of Lot of Land number Two Hundred and twenty one
(221) in the thirteen th (13) District of the fourth (4) Section
of originally Cherokee now Chattooga County, known
and distinguished as the north half of said Lot, con-
taining about eighty eight acres which includes
my dwelling house and other buildings with all
the rights members and appurtenances to said
Lot of Land in anywise belonging, which Lot
of Land above described, at my death the said land
is to go to my son, Martin A. Lawrence, with all