

Althens
Georgia

Knowing that it is appointed unto all men once to die, and that it is not for us to know the times and the seasons which the Father hath put in his own power. I deem it right and proper both as respects my family and myself to make a final disposition of the residue of my Estate with which it hath pleased God to endow me.

As to my debts I have none so far as I know or believe having made it the rule of my life to owe no man any thing but love; and I would advise my Children to act upon this maxim. —

I give all my property real and personal of whatsoever kind owned by me at my death to my beloved wife for and during the term of her natural life to dispose of the whole or any part thereof to her own use or for the use of any or all of my Children, or for the use of any other person who shall be by deed or will, or in any other way that she may see fit, — without impeachment of waste or accountability to any one. — An ~~express~~ ^{express} trust five years having fully justified this confidence. — Should my wife however deposit this life without making such disposition by gift or otherwise then my desire and will is that the whole of my Estate left at her death be equally divided between my six single Sons to wit Edward, J. Sampson, James, Mr. Sampson, Miller, J. Sampson, Charlie, M. Sampson, Robert, C. Sampson and Frank Sampson, — Share and Share alike or in such other way as they may prefer all of them being of age, and Capable of acting for themselves. — Should they prefer a division in kind very well, but if they cannot agree amongst themselves then the whole to be sold, and the proceeds equally distributed between them. —

I hereby nominate and appoint my beloved wife Catherine C. Sampson Sole executrix of this my last Will (hereby) reciting expressly all others heretofore by me made and it is my desire that she be relieved from the trouble of making and returning an inventory of my effects and from making and returning to the Ordinary of her actions and claims. —

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal this day of January Anno Domini One thousand eight hundred and Sixty Six. —

Josh. Henry, Sampson

(Seal)

Signed, Sealed and published by Josh. Henry Sampson as his last Will and Testament in the presence of as the undersigned who subscribe our names thereto in the presence of the Testator and at his instance and request and in the presence of each other. — This the Thirtieth day of January Anno Domini One thousand eight hundred and Sixty Six. —

George P. Bellows,
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One of the Subscribing Witnessed to the written and foregoing Will
of Joseph Henry Lampson, late of said County - Deceased who
on oath said that the said said Deceased Sign and Seal
said in Strament and heard him acknowledge the same to be his
last Will and Testament that at the time of so doing said
Testator was of sound and disposing mind and memory
that he affiant William S. Humphill and Henry Jackson
all signed the same as witnesses in the presence of each
other and of the Testator and at his request —
George P. Fellow's

Sword to and Subscribed before
me this 20th of June 1867
Asa M. Jackson
Ordinary

George
Clark County
Court of Ordinary Regular Term
1st July 1867

An examination of the foregoing Will and Probate
Ordered that the same be Recorded in terms of the Law
Asa M. Jackson
Ordinary —

Recorded 6th July 1867