

Georgia
Clarke County

On the margin of God Amen.

Thomas Wray of this County am
old & infirm being of sound mind disposing more
and memory but of feeble health, desiring to make a
trust distribution of the property of which I may
be possessed, do make and publish this as my last
Will and Testament.

First My first debts unsettled at my death I desire paid,

Second I have heretofore given to my daughter Virginia Scott
Sixteen Negro Slaves, which I considered to be in
Value a just proportion of my Negro property - I
intend giving her Five Thousand Dollars in Silver
of a portion of my Real Estate, and have already paid
over \$2500 of this amount, and expect if I live long
enough to deliver the balance to her - Any balance
unpaid at my death I give and bequeath to her
in addition to the above I give to my daughter
Virginia Eight hundred dollars which with the
above shall be in full of her portion of my Estate
except such remainder interests as are herein after
specified

Third I give and bequeath to my beloved Wife
Dorothea Wray for and during her natural life
my house & lot in Athens - Reserving that she will
furnish a home to my sons so long as they are
unmarried and the property is held together as
herein after Specified - At the death of my Wife
I give the said house & lot to all of my children
then living share and share alike - Should either one
of them have died before that time leaving child or
children they to take their parents share

Fourth I give and bequeath to my beloved Wife absolutely -
all of my household and Kitchen furniture except two
beds & furniture giving to each of the boys on arrival
at age my Carriage & horses - the wagon in Athens -
And all tools and implements about my lot, together
with all provisions on hand at said lot, I also give
to her absolutely one equal share with my sons in all the
remainder of my property including Real Estate - Negroes
Barns, Stables - debts due & perishable Property

Fifth I give and bequeath to each of my Sons Philip Francis
Thomas & Walter - One equal fifth part of the remainder
of my property with their mother as above described - But
my desire is that there shall be no division of the said
property until Thomas arrives at age when I wish his mother
to have set off to him his portion of the same as it then stands
with the increase by Appraisement - As it would injure the
plantation to cut it up I desire that his share of it
shall be settled in Money & paid in Money within a

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and desire that she
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John Thomas

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in the presence of
Geo. E. Gould
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Attest
5th March 1860
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Reasonable term. In the same manner I desire the portion of
Matter to be set off to him when he arrives at age. The portions of
Philip and Frances I desire shall be kept together with my wife until
such time as in her discretion she may see proper to deliver it
over to either of them according to their mental development. In the
meantime I appoint my Wife ^{as} Guardian for them without liability to
make returns or to account giving her the discretion to pay out to them
such portion of the net income as their wants may require - at her
death I desire proper Guardians to be appointed for my said sons. Should the
necessity then exist.

With?

Should either one of my said sons die before receiving his share of the Estate.
whether provided I desire the same to remain and the property to be divided
between his mother & three brothers as above provided; should another one of my
sons die I desire his share to be divided as before including my Daughter Virginia
Should she be then alive or her children - should they or any one of them survive her
the same provision should one of my sons be dead leaving child or children - in the
event of the death of a third or fourth son I desire the division to be on the same
principle as last provided -
I appoint my beloved Wife sole Executrix of my Will & Reliever of all necessity
to make Returns after an Inventory & appraisement of my Estate.

Witness:

Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 2nd May 1859

In witness

Signed, Sealed & Published in presence of us
and in presence of Testator & of each other

Charles M. Blase
Crawford W. Long
Thos R. R. Cobb

Thomas May 

Georgia } Personally appeared before me Asa M Jackson Ordinary of said County Thomas
Clark County } R. R. Cobb one of the subscribing witnesses to the within foregoing Will of Thomas
May late of said County deceased who on oath deposed & said that he saw said Testator sign over said
said instrument and heard him acknowledge the same to be his last Will & Testaments that at the time
of so doing the Testator was of sound and disposing mind & Memory that he deponent signed the same as
witness in the presence of the Testator & at his request & in the presence of Crawford W. Long & Charles M.
R. R. Cobb the other witness who also signed the same as witness in his presence & in the presence of the Testator
& at the request of the Testator.

Signed & Subscribed before me this 10th day April 1860  Thos R. R. Cobb

Georgia } Personally appeared before me Asa M Jackson Ordinary of said County Crawford W. Long
Clark County } R. R. Cobb one of the subscribing witnesses to the within foregoing Will of Thomas May late of said
County & who when called, deposed and said that he saw said Testator sign & seal said instrument & heard him
acknowledge the same to be his last Will & Testaments that at the time of so doing he, the Testator, was of sound and
disposing mind and memory that he deponent signed the same as a witness in the presence of the Testator & at his
request, in the presence of Thomas R. R. Cobb & Charles M. Long the other two witnesses who also signed as witnesses
in his presence & in the presence of each other & of the Testator & at the request of the Testator.

Signed & Subscribed before me this 10th day of April 1860  Crawford W. Long

Georgia } Court of Ordinary Regular Term 10th May 1864 The foregoing Will of Thomas May late
Clark County } & Probated examined & no cause being shown for objecting to the contrary, this
10th May 1864 Ordered by the Court that the same be Recorded in terms of the law. Asa M Jackson Ordinary