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# The last Will & Testament of James H. Chambers

In the name of God Amen. I James H. Chambers of the County of Clay & State of Georgia being of sound mind and memory and Considering the uncertainty of this frail and transitory life do therfore make ordain & publish and declare this to be my last will and testament that is to say

1<sup>st</sup> I want my body decently buried after the usual order of the Methodist Church South.

2<sup>d</sup> After all my just debts are paid and discharged the residue of my estate real and personal I give bequeath & dispose of as follows to wit To my beloved wife & two children, To Adaline N. Chambers my wife one third interest in all my estate hereafter mentioned during her life time and at her death the property all to belong to my two children to wit Sarah Chambers & Melivil C. Chambers.

3<sup>d</sup> All my land estate to wit South half of lot No 275 two hundred Seventy four Section One, really Lebuske now Eatowee County 80 eighty acres more or less 186 $\frac{1}{2}$  One hundred and six and  $\frac{1}{2}$  of lot No 102 one hundred and two also 80 Eighty acres being the undivided half of lot No 15 fifteen 8 dectred 4 to section forth airted Eatowee Walker County all the above land being in the state of Georgia

4<sup>th</sup> I also will and bequeath to my wife and two children all my property to wit Son and Elizabeth his wife & Mary Fanny Margaret their children also Emma & Child Patsy

5<sup>th</sup> Also all my Stock of all kinds to wit Horses Mules Cattle & hogs I also claim when the Emory has been driven or gone from our state so it will be safe for my family to return to their home again with their negroes and what Stock well be useful or profitable for them to carry back with household & kitchen furniture that they go back and live on the farm & live off the proceeds of the farm after paying all necessary expenses of the farm My executors who I will hereafter mention to buy or sell any thing that will be beneficial to the estate my tobacco which I have on hand I desire my executors to sell for new issue and all other money that I have or may have or property that I may fall heir to from any of our kindred to be conveyed in the same way that the above property is in this will and after paying necessary expenses there should be a surplus of money on hand for it to be used in Confederate or state bonds and not to be sold unless it is necessary for the use of the family I also give my executors power to buy or sell any species of property whatsoever think it best for the interest of the estate to do so

6<sup>th</sup> I hereby constitute & appoint my beloved wife Adaline Chambers my executors to carry this will into effect signed sealed and delivered & probated by James H. Chambers on the last will & testament in the presence of

S R Warren

M J McRae Esq Notary Public

James H. Chambers

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Georgia Before me John H. Jones, ordinary of said County  
Clay County, S.

Personally came Adaline A. Chambers, executrix of the last will &  
testament of James H. Chambers late of said County deceased

And also M. N. Killabrew & Joseph Beard two of the subscribing witnesses  
to said will who being duly sworn deposes and say that they  
saw said James H. Chambers sign seal publish and declare this  
Instrument to be his last will and testament, voluntarily without  
compulsion and that they signed said will as witnesses in the presence  
of each other & also Shetton R. Weaver & the testator.

Sworn to this 31<sup>st</sup> day of October 1864  
Jno H. Jones Ory

M. N. Killabrew  
Joseph Beard

I Adaline A. Chambers do solemnly swear that this writing contains  
the true last will and testament of James H. Chambers and I say  
I know or believe And that I will well & truly execute the same  
in accordance with the laws of this state to help me God  
swear to before me this 7<sup>th</sup> day of Nov 1864

Jno H. Jones Ory

Adaline A. Chambers

Recorded Nov 7<sup>th</sup> 1864 Jno H. Jones Ory