

Last Will and Testament of Joseph M. Michael

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Georgia Clay County

I Joseph M. Michael of said State and County being of advanced age and knowing that I must shortly depart from this world, deem it right both as respects myself and Family that I should make a disposition of the property with which a kind Providence has blessed me. I therefore, make this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking and annulling all others heretofore made by me.

Item first I desire and direct that all my just debts be paid without delay by my Executors.

Item Second I desire and direct that my beloved wife Elizabeth V. and my daughter beyond V. lot of land No 134, One hundred and Thirty Four in the Seventh District of Originally Lee now Clay County containing Two hundred Ten and a half acres. I also give to my W. Sp. Elizabeth V. and my daughter beyond V. the farming utensils used on and belonging to said plantation of every description including Two Mules and all of my cows, Oxen, Hogs, &c and all my household and kitchen furniture and Wagon belonging to said plantation during their natural life.

Item Third I give and bequeath to my Wife Elizabeth V. for and during her natural life Susan a Woman Forty Two Years old Eliza a Woman Eighteen Years old Martha a Girl Fifteen Years old Lavin a Girl Thirteen Years old.

Item Fourth I desire and direct that at the death of my wife Elizabeth V. all that I have given her be equally divided between my children and the heirs of James M. Michael, Landon M. Michael H. M. Michael J. P. V. M. Michael and Green V. M. Michael.

Item Fifth I devise to the heirs of my Son James M. Michael one Thousand and Fifty dollars in Notes.

Item Sixth I give to my daughter beyond a Negro woman named Fanny One Year old and in the event of her death without issue said Negro to be sold & equally divided between my children.

Item Seventh I give to my Son J. P. V. M. Michael Eight Hundred Dollars in Money & Notes.

Item Eighth I constitute my friends Leaburn Jones and Charles J. and my Executors to this my last Will and Testament this August 12th 1862

Joseph M. Michael

Signed Sealed declared and published by Joseph M. Michael as his last Will and Testament in the presence of us the Subscribers who who Subscribed our names here in the presence of said Testator and of each other this August 13th 1862

L. C. Jones
Henry C. Jones
William J. Jones
W. H. Jones

Last Will and Testament of Joseph Mc Michael

Clay Court of Ordinary

December Term 1862

The Will of Joseph Mc Michael
being produced in open court for probate by the witnesses to said
will Christopher Mc Greend, Henry F. Rooken, Edwards & Singletary, and
W & C Sarnsfort of whom Christopher Mc Greend, Henry F. Rooken, and
W & C Sarnsfort having subscribed their the following Affidavit
and sworn on said Will and being duly sworn depose that they
saw Joseph Mc Michael sign and publish the within as his last
Will and Testament while of sound and disposing mind and
memory, that they witnessed the same for him at his request
and in his presence and of each other and that the same was
executed voluntarily by him on the day it purports to have
been executed

W & C Sarnsfort
C. F. Greend
Henry F. Rooken

Sworn to and Subscribed before me in open Court December
Term 1862

J A Mc Lendon Ordinary