

same time I know only to much well that
no time we must all be called hence to render
final account do on this fifth day of June A.D.
1834 make this my last will and testament as
follows to wit

Whereas heretofore a partnership was entered into for the
purpose of trade and Merchandise between myself and
Olijah Band formerly of said Ward but now of
Keopewell Crawford County in the State of Georgia
upon terms and Conditions mentioned in an indenture
executed by us and afterwards in consequence of
embarrassment growing out of his former conducting
in business a settlement of said partnership concern
was made between us and I became solely interested
in the store and business at the said Keopewell where
the partnership business has been carried on
and the said Band since our dissolution has managed
said business for me upon hire as my Clerk and
Agent - Now therefore on Condition that said Band
shall as soon as convenient by may be after my decease
sell dispose of and convey all the Estate both real
and personal which belongs or pertains to the business
of said store and business including the store house
and the land therewith connected and a dwelling
house with land connected and shall collect all
debts due to said concern and shall pay a debt
against said concern and shall under adjust
thereof and of the of said business and I do hereby
with my executor according to the
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which in said instrument in the said manner as to said
partments each continued to the time of my decease
providing however that if in the opinion of my
executor or of my trustee to be appointed as hereinafter
mentioned which money should be in any way at
any and or exposed to be lost to the use of the family
of said Bond by being paid over to him said
executor or trustee may at their discretion retain and
keep the same until when or either of them shall consider
it safe and proper to pay said money to him
said so long as such executor or trustee shall not pay
said money to said Bond they shall keep the
same safely invested at the best interest they can
obtain consistent with entire safety and shall annually
pay over the interest or income thereof to the wife
said Bond for the time being and if at any time
he should have no wife living at that time of his
executor or the time being

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And at the decease of said Bond and any wife
which he may leave then the principal shall be
paid to his children living at that time
but in case of the decease of my executor or
my refusal to execute before said trust before said
trust shall be completed and ended. I hereby
authorize and request the Judge of probate in and
for said County of Worcester to appoint a suitable
trustee to execute said trust and shall have the same power
and discretion in relation thereto as are herein given to
my executor and I hereby authorize and empower
the said Judge of probate to execute said trust and deliver
all moneys due and owing to said Bond and all
other estate which I own as said Judge of probate
I give to the said Judge of probate of said County

I give unto My father Isaac Stone One Thousand Dollars
to be paid as soon as it can be conveniently raised out of My
Estate and to be an Interest after One year from My decease
if not paid by that time. —

I give unto My half Brother Horace Brigham Stone to
be paid as soon as it can conveniently be raised out of My
Estate and to be an Interest after One year from My
decease if not paid by that time. —

The rest of My Estate of every description I give bequeath
and devise unto my Brothers and Sister Isaac Eluriam,
Hiram Stone, Lucetta Stone, Lydia Eluriam Warren, and
Hiram Brigham Stone, their heirs and assigns forever
to be to be equally divided between them. —

I do hereby constitute and appoint My said
brother Hiram Stone my Executor of this My
last will and Testament and hereby Authorise and
empower him to sell make execute and deliver deeds
to convey any and all the real Estate of which I may
die the owner — And I hereby direct My said
Executor to see My body decently returned to the
dust from whence it came and to erect suitable
stones at My grave. —

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set to my
hand and seal this day and year first above written

Erastus Stone Seal

Witnessed by us who have hereunto set our names
in presence of the said Erastus Stone who
claims to be his son and heir

The foregoing instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of Erastus Stone late of said County deceased being offered for probate by Elijah Bond and notice having been duly given and no person objecting to the probate thereof, and Israel Stone Sen.^r one of the witnesses of the said Making, testifies that he saw said testator sign said Will and that he with John Putnam and Rejoice Norton attested and subscribed the same as witnesses in presence of the testator who was then of full age and sound mind: I now adjudge that said instrument is proved, and decree that the same be approved and allowed as the last will and testament of said deceased.

Ira Norton Judge of Probate

at Copy

attests Chas. E. Printing Register

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Worcester } the Court of Probate holden at
Worcester on the first Tuesday of
August A.D. 1838

Erastus Stone named as Executor in the last will and testament of Erastus Stone late of said County deceased having deceased and due notice having been given the Court now appoints Elijah Bond of the County of Crawford and State of Georgia Special Administrator with the will annexed of the said Erastus Stone deceased, he giving Bond according to Law for the faithful discharge of said Trust.

at Copy

Ira Norton J. Prob.

attests Charles E. Printing Reg.

To Eliza Bond of the County of Crawford and State of Georgia
Whereas certain True state of Ward in said County of Worcester hath deceased, testate and the last will and testament of said deceased a copy of which is hereto annexed hath been duly proved, approved and allowed by the Court. and whereas Jeremy Stone named as Executor in said Will hath deceased, And after due proceedings had in the premises it hath been decreed in said Court that Administration on the Estate of the said deceased with the will annexed be granted to you. And now having given Bond for the faithful discharge of that trust in pursuance of said decree & Ordain constitute and appoint you Administrator and commit to you the Administration of the Estate of said deceased with the will annexed and subject to all the liabilities in this behalf provided by the laws of this Commonwealth. You are agreeable to law and the condition of your Bond to make and return to said Court of Probate within three months after your appointment to said trust a true Inventory, on oath, of all the real Estate, and of all the goods and Chattels Rights and Credits of said deceased by and by law to be administered and which shall come to your possession or knowledge; - You are to administer according to law and to said will as the goods Chattels rights and Credits and the proceeds of the real Estate that may be sold for the payment of the debts or liabilities of the deceased which shall at any time come to your possession or the possession of any person or persons for whom you are to render an account.

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the twentieth day of August in the year of our
Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty
eight

Jon Barton

at Copy

Attest Chas. J. Prentiss Reg.

Recorded 7th day of March 1839
Philip D. Echols C. C. O

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Worcester Co. { I Chas. J. Prentiss Register
of the Court of Probate for the County of Worcester
do hereby Certify that the foregoing is a true Copy
from the Record of said Court
In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set
my hand and the Seal of said Court this
fifteenth day of August in the year of
our Lord one thousand eight hundred
thirty eight
Chas. J. Prentiss Reg.

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State of Georgia Crawford County { In the name of
God Amen
I John James of the State and County aforesaid being of
Sane Mind but in bad health do make this my last will
and Testament - To wit I wish all my lawfull debts paid
for which I wish my Crop of Cotton Seed and
much of my Corn and fodder as can be spared, reserving
sufficient quantity for my family in part and stock
my Crop of Cotton and surplus Cotton and my property
I wish the following to be paid for