

In the name of God Amen.

I James Willson of the County of DeKalb ^{Georgia} ¹⁸²⁸⁻¹⁸³⁸ ^{www.georgiapioneers.com} ^{Note: "tight-binding"} ^{DeKalb County, Georgia Mills} being of sound mind & intention ^{do make this my} last will & testament & dispose of my property in the following manner

Item 1st I lend unto my beloved wife Mary during her natural life one negro girl named Lynnda and at her death I give the said Lynnda to my son Benjamin F. Willson with all her issue.

Item 2nd I give unto my son Richard De Willson three negroes that he has now in his possession with all of their increase or issue. Namely one man named Peter one boy named George and a woman named Dolly. I also give him all of my cattle remaining on this the east side of the Chattahoochee River and my doomed mare.

Item 3rd I give unto my son Thomas F. Willson three negroes with their increase or issue named Simon and maid and Linney.

Item 4th I give unto my son John M. Willson six negroes with their increase or issue. Namely one woman named Judy one girl named Stacey and one named Mary and one named Judy, one boy named William and one named John and also a small horse colt—

Item 5th All of my Cattle shays on the west side of the Chattahoochee River I give unto my sons Stewart F. Willson and John M. Willson to be equally divided between them.

Item 6th I give unto my son Benjamin F. Willson three negroes with all of their increase or issue. Namely one woman named Betty one girl named Ann and a boy named Jordan.

Item 7th If one or both of my youngest sons should die namely B. F. Willson & J. M. Willson before he or they attain to the age of twenty one years and not having lawful issue I will that his or their property be divided between the remainder of my four above named sons namely R. M. Willson S. G. Willson P. F. Willson & J. M. Willson.

Item 8th All the remainder of my property not mentioned in this my will, I will to be made liable for the payment of all of my just debts and the remainder after my debts are paid I will to be equally divided between my four sons namely R. M. Willson S. G. Willson P. F. Willson & J. M. Willson.

after named to sell and dispose of any part of my property
not especially mentioned in this for the purpose of paying all
lawful demands against my estate

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Note: "right binding"

Item 10 I have heretofore given to my other dear children what
I intended for them to have but in addition to what I have
given them heretofore it is my will and desire that my executors
herein after named shall pay to each of my dear children the
sum of five dollars to each one out of my estate namely to
Solmt. Wilson five dollars to James I Wilson five dollars to Jane
Bailey wife of Saml. I Bailey five dollars & to Elizabeth R. Walling
wife of Willis Walling five Dollars.

Item 11 I give unto my grandson James Roberts the son of
my daughter Francis the sum of five dollars to be paid to
him out of my estate by my executors herein after named.

Item 12 I do hereby nominate and appoint and constitute my son
Richard H. Wilson as guardian for my son Jesse H. Wilson

Item 13 I do hereby nominate appoint & constitute my sons Rich-
ard H. Wilson and Steven I. Wilson as executors to this my
last will & Testament. In Testimony whereof I have
to set my hand and seal this the 10th day of November in
the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred forty-
three (1843). Signed sealed and acknowledged
by the above named James Wilson to be his last will &
Testament in the presence of us who at his request and
in his presence have subscribed our names as witnesses
thereto.

James Wilson JB

F. I. Childers

W. C. Fulgham

Andrew Ruff

Georgia } Personally appeared in open court S. I. Childers & Andrew Ruff
Deaton County } who being duly sworn depose & testify that they said James
Wilson signs the within as his last will and Testament, and also further testify
that they said Wm. C. Fulgham signs the same as a witness together with themselves
sworn to & subscribed in open court March 8th 1845

attest

Andrew Ruff