

Georgia
Greenville County

In the name of God
Amen - I Samuel

Bracewell Sr of
said Greenville County knowing the uncertain-
tainty of life & being desirous of making
a Will & being of sound mind and
disposing memory do make public
and declare this to be my true last
Will & Testament.

Item 1st I desire and direct that
all my just debts be paid as
early as practicable after my death

Item 2^d I desire and direct (after
the payment of debts) that all my
estate real and personal shall be
kept together as it is now or may be
at my death: for the use support &
maintenance of my family during
the life of my beloved wife with
the privilege to my wife to bring
any of my children into the family
at discretion - And if there should
be any excess of profits arising from
my estate after the support of my
family as aforesaid the same to be
invested at the discretion of my ex-
ecutors & execute hereinafter named
for the benefit of my estate.

Item 3^d After the death of my beloved
wife Sabra Bracewell I desire and
direct that all my household fu-
niture and negroes shall be divid-
ed into as many equal parts as there
may be children or legal descendants
of children if a child of mine should
be dead living at that time, one equal

portions as aforesaid I give and bequeath
unto each of my said daughter for their
sole and separate use free from the
doubt, disposition or liabilities of any
husbands present and future for life
and after death absolutely to their child
or children one equal portion to my
son William absolutely some equal por-
tion to my son Thomas if then in life
or to his child or children if he should
leave any & I hereby appoint William
B. Brewster Trustee of & for my daughter
Jane E. Pitts with power to manage her
portion in such manner as he may deem
best for the said Jane thereby securing
to her a comfortable support and main-
tenance for herself & children if she
should hereafter have any.

Item 4th The Rest and Residue of my Estate
after the death of my said wife Sibra
I desire and direct my Executors hereinafter
named to sell in such manner and
at such times as they may deem best
for the interest of my estate and the pro-
ceeds of said sale or sales I direct shall
be divided equally as aforesaid between
and among all my children or lineal
descendants of children of such as may
be dead share and share alike the share
allotted or assigned to my daughter Jane
E. Pitts to go to vest in my son William B
for her separate use for life & after her death
to such children or child as she may
leave with power to invest the same at
discretion for her separate use as aforesaid
Item 5th I hereby nominate constitute and

appoint my beloved wife Laura Bass
well executrix and my beloved son
William B. Basswell and my son
in law William S. Rackley Executors
of this my last Will & Testament
with full power & authority to
carry the same into effect after
my death.

In witness whereof I the said
Samuel Basswell & have hereunto
set my hand seal this twenty seventh
day of October 1859

Samuel Basswell (Seal)

Signed Sealed declared and published
by Samuel Basswell as his last Will
& Testament in the presence of us the sub-
scribing who subscribed our names here to
in the presence of said Testator at his
special instance request and of each
other. The words "child should be dead"
written in the margin of second page
& in third line before signing this twenty
seventh day of October 1859

Robert N. Russell

Minajah Powell

S. F. Roddabury

Georgia, County of Cady, my Ven-
erable County Court, January 9th 1865-

Personally came before
me W. B. Basswell one of the Executors
named in the last Will & Testament
of Samuel Basswell & did & presented the
same for probate in common form in the
Court of Robert N. Russell one of the

Witnesses thereto who being duly sworn
 say that he saw Sam^l Bracwell sign
 said decree and publish (the instrument
 now presented) as his last Will & Testament
 that he signed the same freely voluntarily
 & of his own accord without any undue
 influence or compulsion & that at the
 time of the execution thereof said Testator
 was of sound & disposing mind & memory
 & did not further say that he signed
 the same as a Witness in the presence of
 Testator & at his special instance & request
 in the presence of Micaiah Powell
 & A. Roddenbury two other competent
 Witnesses who signed the same in the
 presence of Testator & at his like instance
 & request

Given Aug 9th 1865— R. R. Snell
 Attest Clerk

Georgia
 Probate Court) Court of Ordy
 Aug 9th 1865—
 Present H. H. Beck Esq
 The last Will & Testament of Sam^l Bracwell
 Decd having been proved in common form on
 the oath of R. R. Snell one of the Witn^s
 sworn thereto (there being no objection) It is
 ordered that the same be recorded
 Attest Clerk

Georgia
 Probate Court) I do solemnly swear that
 the writing containing the
 true last Will of the within
 named Sam^l Bracwell &c so far as I know
 believe that I will well & truly execute
 the same in accordance with the laws

of this state - By help me God
Given Jan 7th 1865 W^m B. Brewster
Attest Rich^d D^r

State of Georgia, In the name of God
Decatur County } Amen - I William B. Brewster
and State aforesaid being fully impress-
ed of the certainty of death and
of the uncertainty of the time thereof
being feeble in body and wasted in flesh
and strength yet of sound and dispo-
sing mind memory and discretion an-
in order to dispose of the property which
which a beneficent Providence has blessed
me do make ordain and establish
this as my last Will & Testament

Item 1st In a reasonable time after my
death I wish my body buried in the
family burial ground near the graves
of my deceased parents in a becoming
and christianlike manner.

Item 2nd It is my will that all money
due me be collected without unreason-
any delay after my death and that
all my just debts be paid including
my burial expenses.

Item 3rd It is my will that my Executor
shall appropriate as much of my money
as shall be necessary to enclose the family
burial ground with suitable wooden railing
and to erect a marble slab to my memory.

Item 4th I hereby give and bequeath to my beloved
Brother Thomas F. Brewster my Gold Watch