

State of Georgia 3 In the name of God Amen
Decatur County 3 I Stering Hines of the County
and State aforesaid being weak
of body but of sound mind and memory do hereby testify to God
for the merits and knowing it is one appointed for
all man kind to die and feeling my constitution crumbling
may do make constitute testify and confirm that my last will
and testament hereby making all other wills heretofore by
me made and what it has pleased God to bless me with
in this life I give and dispose of in the following form
and manner I under the direction of my Executors here
after named To wit-

Item 1st. I give and bequeath to my beloved son William
Herbert Hines two hundred and fifty acres of Land Number
three hundred and twenty six (226) in the twentieth District
originally Early now Decatur County at the plantation
where I now live

Item 2nd. It is my wish and desire that all the balance
of my Estate both real and personal be kept together
in one common Stock until my oldest Child Elizabeth
arrives at the age of twenty one Year and then it is
my will that the balance of my estate be divided equally
between all my beloved Children to wit Elizabeth
Hines Maryann Hines Catharine Hines and my son
William Herbert Hines and my beloved wife Maryann
Hines

Item 3rd. It is my wish and desire that my lands estate be
kept together with my beloved wife Maryann and all
of my Children until my oldest Daughter becomes of
lawful age and I wish the balance of my estate to be
equally divided as aforesaid between my wife Maryann
and all of my Children after giving first to my son William
Herbert Hines the Land whereon I now live

4th. I wish that my beloved Brother Thomas Hines
and Sterling Scarborough be appointed as my Executors
to carry this my last will into full and complete
effect

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and
seal the twenty sixth day of February in the
Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty eight
the fiftieth Year of Independence of the United States of America
the presence of
H. J. Gamble
J. C. Gamble
Isaac Jones
Deputy Clerk
Isaac Jones

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Personally appeared in open Court James Olary & Thos. J. Gamble who being duly sworn depose and sayeth that they saw Stephen Harris sign the within instrument as his last will and testament and they further say that they saw Isaac Jones sign as a witness and they further say on their oath aforesaid that they believe the said Stephen Harris was in his sound mind

I over to and subscribe before me the 2nd day of Aug 1851
J. C. Gamble
Isaac Jones
James Olary
H. J. Gamble