

The last Will and Testament of Oliver H. Powell

Georgia
Dorcy County

Court of Ordinary July Term 1849

The within last Will and Testament of Oliver H. Powell having been proven at this regular term in open Court upon the oath of Robert R. Golden Ordered that the same be admitted to record as far as the stock of every kind except a servile man and apportioned as to the lands there being only two witnesses to said Will and apportioned as to servile man negro by Sam & household and kitchen furniture as making no after disposition to indefinite

The last Will and Testament of Harmon Abays

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In the name of God Amen I Harmon Abays of the County of Dorcy and State of Georgia

being at this time in bad health but of a sound and disposing mind and Memory and knowing that it is appointed unto all Men once to die do make publish ordain and declare this to be my last Will and Testament in manner and form following

First - It is my Will and desire that my Executors hereinafter to be appointed pay off my last debts with as little delay as possible

Second - Unto my beloved wife Rebecca Abays I give and bequeath the houses and lots whereon I now live together with the plantation called the Abiddleton place the household and kitchen furniture and the following negroes, bely and Charity one bay horse during her natural life or widowhood and at her death or intermarriage the houses and Lots together with the plantation to be divided between my two sons John A and James M Abays in the proportion as they are situated on the different lots of Land hereafter given unto my said two sons and the two aforesaid named negroes Bely and Charity unto my following named grand Children Isabella Knight Elizabeth Knight Harmon Knight Robin Knight Sarah Knight

Third - Unto my son John A Abays I will and bequeath the following Lots of land situated in the sixth district of the County of Dorcy viz Numbers fifteen (15) Seventeen (17) and Nineteen (19) and the following named negroes Dick, Doll, and Nat and one horse

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Fourth - Unto my son James M Mayo I will and bequeath the following Lots of Land viz number sixteen (16) in the South (10) district Number thirty one (31) Twenty four (24) and the half of Twenty three (23) in the ninth (9) district also the following negroes Alfred, Mima, Abeline, Lim and Primas and one here.

Fifth - I do hereby will and bequeath unto my son James M Mayo to hold to him his heirs executors administrators and upon upon this special trust and confidence the following named negroes Shang Rachel, Abourning Saly Will Cliff Reden with their future increase and profits thereof to and for the use and benefit of my daughter Mary Houghton for and during the term of her natural life and to and for the use maintenance and education of all the children which the said Mary Houghton wife of William M S Houghton has or may have of her body by her present husband or any future husband and in the event of the death of my said daughter Mary Houghton leaving issue of her body then upon that further trust and confidence that he my said trustee his heirs and assigns do and shall hold the said property with the increase and profits thereof to and for the use benefit maintenance and education of the said Child or children which the said Mary Houghton may at any time hereafter have born of her body as aforesaid until they or each of them shall severally and respectively arrive at the age of twenty one years or get married and when and as the said child or children shall severally and respectively attain to the age of twenty one years or get married I desire that my said trustee his heirs and assigns do and shall divide the said estate which may then be remaining out as many parts or shares as there may be children and transfer and deliver over to each of the children one of the said shares as each of the said children shall attain the age of twenty one or get married.

Sixth - Unto my son James M Mayo I will and bequeath one negro woman named Abby together with all her increase and Chavity in which said negroes a life estate herein begun by the second item of this my last will and testament and at her death to hold to him my said trustee upon the special

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trust and confidence for the use benefit maintenance and education of my grand Children Isabella Elizabeth Harmon Robin and Sarah Knight untill they shall separately and respectively arrive at the age of twenty one years or get married I desire that my said trustee his heirs and assigns do and shall divide the said estate with its income and profits into as many shares or parts as there may be of the afore named Children living and transfer and deliver over each share or part as they may attain to the age of twenty one years or get married.

Seventh - It is my Will and desire that my stock of Cattle hogs Sheep and the remainder of horses be equally divided between my wife Rebecca and my two sons John and James M Abays and the part or share falling to my wife Rebecca at her death to be equally divided between my two sons John A and James M Abays should Mrs S Houghton be dissatisfied in keeping the orphans of Thomas M Knight deceased It is my will that my son James M take them home where they may remain untill they severally arrive to the age of twenty one years or get married.

Eighth - It is my Will and desire that the note which I hold against Jeremiah Lamphien be collected and held for the purpose of settling what difficulties and expenses may be incurred should any occur in the settlement of the Estate of Thomas M Knight so far as the Administrator may be involved and the balance if any remaining to be equally divided among my aforementioned Children and heirs.

Ninth - I hereby nominate and appoint my two sons James A Abays and James M Abays Executors to this my last will and testament.

Signed Sealed & published this first of September 1889

Witnessed before Signed

In presence of
David S. Bithwell
Isiah B. B. M. Carthy

Harmon Abays

The last Will & Testament of Harmon Maye

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Court of Ordinary Dorcy County

November Term 1839

In open Court came David L. Rothwell & Elijah R. McBarthy the witnesses to the last Will and testament of Harmon Maye and being duly sworn saith that they saw Harmon Maye sign and publish and declare the above to be his last Will and testament that at the time of signing and publishing the same he was of a sound disposing mind and memory and that he did it of his own free Will and accord that they subscribed themselves as witnesses to the same in the presence of the testator and saw Alexander Meriwether do likewise

Test Alex^r Meriwether bth

David L. Rothwell

Elijah R. McBarthy
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It appearing to the Court that the oath of David L. Rothwell and Elijah R. McBarthy that they saw Harmon Maye sign and publish and declare the within to be his last Will & testament that at the time of doing the same he was of a sound disposing mind and memory and did it of his own Will and accord that they subscribed themselves as witnesses to the same and saw Alexander Meriwether do so likewise in presence of the testator therefore Ordered that the same be admitted to record

It appearing to the Court that the last Will & testament of Harmon Maye together with the probate and record of the same was destroyed by fire at the late burning of the Court house in Dorcy County and that the foregoing is a true copy of said Will Testament & proceedings had thereon

It is therefore Ordered that the copy be established and stand in lieu of the original so destroyed by fire and that the same be entered upon the records of this Court in the manner as is prescribed for the recording of Wills