

Examined and Approved  
Chas. J. Mathison  
J. G. Carter  
Commissioner

Will

In The name of God Amen  
I Simeon A Smith of Statenville Ga  
Being of sound mind and memory and Considering the  
uncertainty of this Trial and transitory life do therefore make  
ordain Publish and declare this my last Will and  
Testament that is to say First after all my lawful  
debts are Paid and discharged I give and Bequeath  
five hundred (\$500<sup>00</sup>) dollars to Thomas G Horn of  
Statenville Ga and to ~~to~~ E P Smith son of E P  
Smith the sum of two hundred and fifty (\$250<sup>00</sup>) dollars  
and to Lillian S Bamberg of Jasper Fla one hundred  
dollars liberty Bond and to my nephew Elisha P Smith  
of Jasper Fla what money I may have in the following  
Banks to wit the merchants Bank of Valdosta Ga the  
Southern Bank and trust Company of Valdosta Ga and  
the first national Bank of Valdosta Ga after Paying the  
Part that I may be due as one of the stockholders of  
the defunct Bank of Statenville Ga also one lot of land  
lying and Being in the Thirteenth district of Echols County  
Ga as shown by the records at clerks office at  
Statenville Ga also one lot of land ~~lying and Being in~~  
the two Town lots in the town of Alma Ga also two lots  
in the town of Glenville Ga also my store house and  
lot in the town of Statenville Ga also the residue of my  
Estate consisting of notes and accounts household effects  
merchandise live stock and all other Personal Property  
of every kind whatsoever and to my great nephew  
Frank S Bamberg Jr of Jasper Fla my Gold  
Watch and Chain

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like wise I make constitute and appoint my nephew Elisha P Smith of Jasper Ga my sole Executor who is to serve as such Executor without Bond of this my last will and Testament hereby revoke all former wills by me made In witness whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal the 11th day of November in the year of our lord one thousand nine hundred and eighteen

Simeon A Smith

the above partly written and printed instrument was subscribed by the said Simeon A Smith in our presence and acknowledged by him to each of us and he at the same time declared the above instrument so subscribed to be his last will and testament and we at his request have signed our names as witnesses hereunto in his presence and in the presence of each other and written opposite Echols County Wilkes <sup>Co</sup> perspective places of residence by C Ham witness www.georgiapioneers.com --

H B Sharp witness | Statenville Ga  
C F Ham witness | Statenville Ga

Georgia Echols County

I E P Smith do solemnly swear that this writing contains the true + last will of the within named Simeon A Smith deceased and that I will well and truly execute the same according to the laws of this State so help me God

E P Smith

Sworn to and Subscribed to Before me Feb 3<sup>rd</sup> 1919

J E Parrish

ordinary

Filed in office 11th day of January 1919 Proved in solemn form as the last will of Simeon A Smith Feb 3<sup>rd</sup> 1919  
Let same be duly numbered as such Feb 3<sup>rd</sup> 1919

J E Parrish

ordinary

Petition to Probate Will in Solemn Form

Georgia Echols County  
to Hon Joseph Parrish ordinary of Said County the  
Petition of & P Smith shows that on the 20th day of  
December 1918 Simeon a Smith late of Said County  
departed this life after having made his last will and  
testament in which he named your Petitioner as Executor  
your Petitioner shows that the following named Persons are  
all the heirs at law of said deceased to wit

& P Smith Jasper Fla Hamilton Co  
S alef Smith madison Fla madison Co  
Lillian S Bamberg Jasper Fla Hamilton Co  
Wilma Chandler Homer  
Maurice Gil Alejandro James madison Fla Hamilton Co

Brother son Fortie Andrew  
Pitter Hodges all twin children of & Chandler Davis of  
and are all sui juris Except the Children of Dr Chandler  
swear above named Petitioners asks that a guardian be  
appointed to represent ~~Echols County Wills~~ in these Proceedings  
your Petitioner [www.georgiapioneers.com](http://www.georgiapioneers.com) in Court and Prays  
that that it be proven in solemn form and to this end  
Prays further that the said & P Smith S alef & P Smith  
and Lillian S Bamberg and said Children of Dr Chandler  
swear & the guardian & as witness to be appointed  
be cited as required by law to appear at the next Term of  
the Court of Ordinary for Echols County Georgia to be held  
on the first Monday in February 1919 to show cause if any they  
have why said Will should not be proven in solemn form  
and admitted to record as the last will and testament of  
Simeon a Smith and that letters testamentary issue  
to Petitioners in terms of the law

This the 8th day of January 1919

J G Crawford  
Atty for Petitioners

Order of Service

Echols County Court of Ordinary { February Term 1919  
upon reading and Considering the Petition of E O Smith to  
Probate the last Will and Testament of Simeon A Smith late  
of Echols County Georgia now deceased in solemn form it is  
hereby ordered that E O Smith <sup>widow</sup> ~~Hamilton~~ Jasper Fla Lillian & Bamberg  
Jasper Fls & Alex Smith <sup>residence</sup> ~~Madison~~ <sup>Echols Co</sup> Guardians residence Statenville Ga  
additions for William Chandler Horner Lewis Dial Pease Alexander June  
Borwolin & Alex Louis Andre & Patti Holmes sweet children of Dr  
Chandler Sweet appear before the Court of Ordinary of Echols  
County Georgia to be held on the first Monday in February 1919 at  
10 o'clock A M then and there to show cause if any they have  
why the instrument of writing offered for Probate by the  
Petitioner E O Smith as the last Will and Testament of Simeon  
A Smith late of Echols County Georgia now deceased should  
not be proven in solemn form and admitted to record as  
the last Will and Testament of Said deceased and it is further  
ordered that the ~~Echols County Wills~~ Parties be each served  
pursonally with a ~~written notice to Probate said Will~~ copy of this order at least ten days before the  
first Monday in February 1919 and it is further ordered that  
all and each of the above named parties receive service is duly  
acknowledged by each of them who resides out of the state of  
Georgia be cited to appear on the said first Monday and made  
a party to these Proceedings by Publication of a notice addressed  
to them in the Valdosta Times once a week for four weeks  
prior to the day set for the hearing of said Petition  
This 11th day of January 1919

J E Parish

Ordinary

Guardian ad Litem

Feb 3rd

Echols Court of ordinary & at Chambers February Term 1919  
it appearing to the court in the matter of the Petition of E P Smith for  
Probate in solemn form of the last will and testament of S A Smith  
deceased that Wilma Chandler Holmes wife Dial Reaser Alexander  
Jane Bowden & also Louise Andrew & Pattie Holmes Smith  
children of Dr Chandler Smith heirs at law of said deceased are  
minors and have no regular Guardian it is therefore ordered by  
the court that T C Ham be and is hereby appointed Guardian  
ad litem to represent said minors in this litigation  
this 3rd day of February 1919

J E Parrish

ordinary

Georgia Echols County  
having been appointed Guardian ad litem to represent Wilma  
Chandler Holmes wife Dial Reaser Alexander Jane Bowden  
& also Smith Louise Andrew & Pattie Holmes Smith  
children of Dr Chandler Smith minors in the matter of the  
**Echols County Wills**  
Probate of the last Will and Testament of Simeon S A Smith  
deceased in said Court I hereby accept said appointment and  
I agree to represent said minors in said proceeding I waive  
all further service of notice  
this 3rd day of February 1919

T C Ham

#### Judgment of Court

Echols County Court of ordinary  
In re petition of E P Smith for Probate in solemn form  
of the Will of Simeon S A Smith February Term 1919  
upon the hearing of the Petition of E P Smith for the probate  
in solemn form of the Paper propounded by E P Smith as  
the last will and testament of S A Smith late of said  
County deceased and for its admission to record as such  
and it appearing that E P Smith Lillian & Bamberg  
& also Smith Eliza Smith & Lewis S Smith as Guardians  
for Chandler Holmes wife Dial Reaser Alexander Jane Bowden  
& also Louise Andrew & Pattie Holmes Smith children  
of Dr Chandler Smith & T C Ham as Guardians ad litem  
for said children of Dr Chandler Smith duly appointed  
by this court

who are all the heirs at law of said deceased have all and each one of them had due and legal notice of the petition of E P Smith to Probate in solemn form the alleged will as the Will of Simeon A Smith deceased and also of the order of service and all other notice as required by law which is shown in these proceedings and having failed to show any legal reason why said paper should not be proven in solemn form as the last will and testament of Simeon A Smith deceased and admitted to record as such it is therefore ordered and adjudged by the Court upon the Proof of said Will by all the witnesses to said will said witnesses giving their written affidavit and also having been examined orally in open court that the same be set up as the last will and testament of Simeon A Smith deceased in solemn form and be admitted to record as such and it is further ordered that letters testamentary issues to the said E P Smith the Executor named in said will upon his taking the oath required by law

Echols County Wills

this the 3rd day of January 1919

J P Parrish

Ordinary

Due and legal service of the within petition and order being acknowledged Copy and no further service is hereby made  
witnessed this Jan 14th 1919

E P Smith  
Lillian S Bamburg  
S Alex Smith  
Willa Smith  
Mars S Smith

Chandler Horner as guardian for their girl Reaves Alexander  
and Gordon S Alex Louis Andrew and Patti Horner Smith  
~~the~~ children of Dr Chandler Smith

Georgia Schools County  
Personally appear before the undersigned an officer  
authorized to administer oaths G C Ham & T Ham  
H B B Sharpe who upon oath say that they are the  
subscribing witnesses to the will of S a Smith late  
of said County that they saw him sign his name  
to said Will in their presence and that each signed  
the same as a witness in the presence of each other  
and in his presence it was required that he was of  
sound mind at said time  
Sworn to and subscribed to  
Before me this February }  
the 3rd 1919 }  
J E Parrish  
ordinary

G C Ham  
H B B Sharpe  
T F Ham

State of Georgia Schools County County  
To whom it may concern  
whereas at the regular term of the Court of ordinary  
of said County on the 3rd day of February 1919 the last  
Will and testament of Simeon A Smith late of said  
County deceased was duly proven and admitted to  
record and it is ordered that letters testamentary issue  
to E P Smith executor named in said Will upon  
his taking the oath of office and the said E P Smith  
having taken the oath of office there are therefore so  
authorized the said E P Smith and he is hereby  
authorized and required to do and perform all  
of the duties imposed upon him by the said Will  
and laws of the state  
Given under my hand and official seal  
this the 3rd day of February 1919

J E Parrish  
ordinary of Schools County Ga