

Sworn to in open court }
the 7th day of July 1856 }
Wm B Helms ordinary }
Elbert County, Georgia Wills 1836 to 1860
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Thomas Johnston
E W Ruckner
Thomas M Hulme

Georgia } Court of ordinary July Term 1856 the within
Elbert County } Will of Richard Harter deceased having been proven
at this regular Term of the Court on the oath of Thomas Johnston
Ephy W Ruckner & Thomas M Hulme the witnesses to said will
it is ordered and Adjudged by the Court that said will be Recorded.
Recorded the 10th day of July 1856 Wm B Helms ordinary

Barden Ruckers Will 1856

State of Georgia } I Barden Rucker by the Grace of God on
Elbert County } This the Twentieth day of November in the
Year of our Lord one Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty ~~Five~~
Five do make this my Last will and Testament First
I will my Body to be decently Buried and Com mended my Soul
to God who gave it

Item 1st It is my will that all my Just Debts be ~~paid~~ Paid and
Funeral Expenses be paid

Item 2nd I will and bequeath to my wife Frances Rucker one
Negroe woman named Judy one Negroe man named Jim
one Negroe man named Jake one Negroe girl name
Sarah all the Tract of land on which I now live
all of my Stock of Cattle Hogs and such her choice of
Two Horses my crop of Corn Wheat and Cotton my Buggy
all of the Household & Kitchen Furniture and my
plantation Tools and Cart and oven to have and to
hold for and during her natural life and after death
to be Equally Divided between all of my children
to wit) one Equal Share to my Daughter Serpita Rucker
Now by marriage Serpita Maxwell one Equal Share
to my Daughter Sarah Rucker now by marriage Sarah
Brown one Equal Share to my Son Alexander Rucker
one Equal Share to my Son Burton Rucker one Equal
Share to my Daughter Frances E Rucker now by marriage
Frances E Helms and one Equal Share to my Son William
B Rucker

Item 3rd Heretofore I have given off to my Daughter Serpita
Maxwell Three hundred and Fifty seven dollars and
Fifty cents to my Daughter Sarah Brown Three hundred
and Fifty seven dollars and fifty cents to my Son

Alexander Rucker Three hundred and Fifty Seven Dollars and Fifty Cents ^{Albert County, Georgia Wills 1836 to 1868} and Fifty Cents ^{www.georgiapioneers.com} Burton Rucker Three hundred and Fifty Seven dollars and fifty Cents which has been given them in Negroes and money To my Daughter Frances & Velus one negro girl named Rachel rated at Five hundred Dollars To my Son William B. Rucker one negro girl named Mary rated at five hundred Dollars it is my will that Each of my four ^{first named} children ~~named~~ children have one hundred and forty two Dollars and fifty Cents to make them Equal with the two last

Item 4th it is my will that the remainder of my Estate be divided amongst all my children so that they will all have an equal Share of my Estate it is my will that Alexander Rucker and Burton Rucker be Executors to this my last will and Testament

Joshua Hutchinson }
 Rolen J. Brown }
 Joel Hutchinson }

Barden Rucker

Georgia } Court of ordinary September Term 1856
 Elbert County } Personally came into open Court Rolen J. Brown and being sworn saith that he saw Barden Rucker sign the above and foregoing Instrument of writing as his last will and Testament and he together with Joshua Hutchinson and Joel Hutchinson signed the same as witnesses in the presence and at the request of the Testator and in the presence of each other and this deponent believes the Testator to have been of sound mind and memory at the time he executed the same sworn to in open Court

This 1st day of September 1856

Rolen J. Brown
 mark

Wm B. Velus ordinary

Georgia } Court of ordinary September Term 1856
 Elbert County } The within Will of Barden Rucker deceased having been proven at this Regular Term of the Court on the oath of Rolen J. Brown one of the subscribing witnesses to the same it is ordered and adjudged by the Court that said will be Recorded this 1st of September 1856

attest Wm B. Velus ordinary

Examined By the Grand Jury at the September Term of the
Superior Court 1856

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James A. Brown
Adelaine Brown
Philip A. White

Jemima W. Brauners Will 1856

Georgian } In the name of God, Amen,
Elbert County } I Jemima W. Brauner of said County being
weak in body but of sound & disposing mind
and memory. Knowing the uncertainty of life, do make this
my last Will and Testament.

First I commend my Soul to God who gave it and my
body to the dust to be buried in a Christian manner.

Second my will is that all the estate both real and
personal of which I may die possessed, or may be entitled
unto shall be converted into money, by Collection of
the debts due, and Sales of the property and after the
payment of debts I dispose of as follows.

Third I give unto my brother Henry T. Smith one hundred
dollars, which is in lieu of a horse he once loaned to
my husband, and which died before it was returned.

Fourth I give to my sister Amanda C. Smith Five
hundred dollars, this is given her on account of her bad
health, and because she has been so kind and attentive
to me during my sickness.

Fifth I will that all the balance of the money, be put
out to interest and the interest collected annually
and applied to the Support and Maintenance of my
Father and Mother during their joint lives, and for
the Support and Maintenance of the Survivor of them
so long as he or she may live - and after the death of
my last surviving parent, my will is that the whole
of my estate be divided equally between my brothers
and Sisters as follows.

Sixth I give one Share each to each of my brothers
Francis M. Henry T. and Joseph T. Smith to them
and their heirs forever -

Seventh one Share to my Sister Elizabeth B. Anderson
for her sole & separate use during her natural life and