

Beverly Allen's Will 1846

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I Beverly Allen of the state of Georgia and the County of Elbert being of sound disposing mind and memory do make this my last will and testament in form and manner following, to w<sup>t</sup>th:

Firstly. I will and bequeath that my tract of land on Savannah River commonly called the Banks and Crysler places. with all the lands I may die possessed of. not otherwise willed. with the crops that may be on hand. at the time of my death: my Bank stock and all my property not specially willed be sold by my executors for the purpose of creating a fund for the payment of my debts. and special legacies. and the debts then due me included in the fund.

Secondly. I will and bequeath to my beloved wife Mildred W. Allen. that part of the tract of land on which I now live on the north side of Beavordam Creek. all the household and kitchen furniture. and twenty Negroes to wit, Dave. Bias. Ned son. Charlotte. Oliver. Ben. Rachel. Sandy. Edith. Jeff. Alexander. Dick. Newman Toney. George. Nelly. Nelly. Abram son of Nelly. Amy. and Leona with all of their increase. also eight mules of her choice. one brood mare of her choice. my close carriage. and carriage horses one Road waggon and gear all the plantation tools. Blacksmith. and mill tools two thirds part of the stock belonging to this place. cattle. hogs. and <sup>sheep land</sup> three hundred dollars in cash. to be her and her heirs forever.

Thirdly. I will and bequeath to Sarah L. Henry the following Negroes. To wit, Lewis. Mario. Nelly. Henry. Queen. Ephraim. Richmond. Phillip. Henry. Fanny. daughter of Anna. Harriet. Jacob. and Vina and their increase. For and during her natural life. and at her death to be equally divided between her children. To wit, William B. Sarah A. O. Vail. Beverly A. Benjamin C. Charles C. I also will and bequeath to the said Sarah L. Henry one negro woman by the name of Mary. and her child King. also the tract of land on which she now lives with the household and kitchen furniture which she is now in possession of one road waggon and gear with the plantation tools belonging to my river place. one brood mare second choice. four mules of the second choice. one third part of the cattle. hogs and sheep. on this place and two

hundred and fifty dollars in cash to her and her heirs  
forever.

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Fourthly I will and bequeath to Mary A. Shephard one negro  
man by the name of Kit to her and her heirs forever.

Fifthly I will and bequeath to John W. Bock in trust for his  
Mother Ann L. Bock one lot of land. number twelfth  
ninth dist. first sect. Murray County. also the following  
negroes to wit, Fanny. Dick. Philis Nelly.. Mary.. Malinda  
Jack. Mary. Son. Hannah Florence and Perry with their  
increase for and during her natural life. and at her death  
to be equally divided amongst her children to wit John W.  
Eugenia M. Caroline to Lucy A. Margaret. William J. Henry  
and Reuben T.

Sixthly I will and bequeath the following negroes, to wit, old Ned.  
Malson. Pompey. Peyton. Sesanna. Gilly. Catharine. Alfred.  
Lindsay. North. Antoinette Bonaparte. Lawrence. Malinda.  
Hannah. daughter of Malinda. Martha Millidge. Dow  
Charity. Miles. Caroline. Augustus Jack. Stephen. William.  
Prudence Senior. Isaac. Caroline. Bedford. Elijah. Louis.  
Contrette. Harry daughter of Rachel. Rosena Esther. Betsy  
Delila. Thera. America. Amanda. Maria son. Lewis son  
of Maria Aaron. Dorcas. Elijah. Millie. Butler. James.  
Abram. John. and Gefe, with their increase. also whatever  
funds may remain due me after the payment of my  
debts. and special legacies named in the first section be  
equally divided between my four sister children and  
their legal representatives. To wit, Elizabeth Thornton's  
children. Martha Smith's children. Drucilla Teasley's  
children. and Ann Hammond's children. Share and  
share alike to them and their heirs forever.

Seventhly I nominate and appoint Lindsay H. Smith and  
Beverly A. Teasley executors to this my last will  
and Testament. In witness whereof, I have unto set  
my hand and affix my seal this 2<sup>d</sup> day of  
Decr 1845.

Signed. sealed and acknowledged}

In presence of  
Wm J. Nelson  
Joseph Rucker  
Joseph Sewell

Beverly Allen BB

Georgia & Personally came William B. Nelson before William  
Watson County Mills and William M. Almond two of the

99] Justices of the Inferior Court for said County, and being sworn  
sarith that he saw Elbert County, Georgia, 1836 to 1860  
the above & foregoing  
instrument of writing as his last will and Testament and  
that he signed the same as a witness in the presence & at the  
request of the testator and that he saw Joseph Tucker  
& Joseph Sewell sign the same as witnesses in the presence  
of the testator and at his request and this deponent  
believes the testator to have been of sound mind at the  
time of executing the same  
Sworn to before us this 5<sup>th</sup> day of Octo<sup>r</sup> W<sup>m</sup> B. Nelson  
October 1846.  
William Mills J. S.C.  
W<sup>m</sup> M. Alm and J. S.C.

Georgia 3<sup>rd</sup> Court of Ordinary November Term 1846.  
Elbert County, 3<sup>rd</sup>, after hearing the within will Read and  
proving the same it is ordered by the  
Court that the within will be Recorded and that letters  
Testamentary do issue forthwith to the executors therein  
named they to wit, Lindsay H. Smith & Beverly A.  
Seasley having been already qualified in terms of  
the Law before W<sup>m</sup>. Mills & W<sup>m</sup>. M. Alm and Esquires  
Attest W<sup>m</sup> B. Nelson, C.C.O.  
Recorded the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of November 1846. W<sup>m</sup>. Nelson, C.C.O.

## Sarah Rich's Will 1847

The State of Georgia In the name of God Amen  
and County of Elbert Know all men by these presents that  
I Sarah Rich of the State and  
County aforesaid being of sound mind and disposing memory do  
make this my last will and testament  
1<sup>st</sup> I will that all of my just debts shall be paid out of the  
proceeds of my estate.  
2<sup>nd</sup> I will and bequeath unto Elizabeth Prather and her  
heir one hundred (100) Dollars  
3<sup>rd</sup> I will and bequeath unto my son David A. Rich and  
his heirs one half or moiety of the remaining portion of  
my property to have and use as he or his heirs may think proper  
4<sup>th</sup> I will and bequeath unto my son David A. Rich aforesaid  
the other half or moiety of my estate or property in trust  
for my son William Rich and his heirs.