

Will of Elizabeth Thompson Decesed 1855

Elbert County, Georgia Wills 1836 to 1860

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Georgia 3rd of Elizabeth Thompson of the State and County
Elbert Co. by 3rd aforsaid being of sound mind and disposing
Memory and knowing the uncertainty of life
and wishing to make some disposition of my worldly estate
do make and Publish and ordain this my last will and
Testament revoking all other Wills before made by me

To wit,

First I will that all my just debts be paid out of my
estate and effects as here in after directed
Second I will that all my property both real and personal
be sold by my Executors or Executrix as here in after
directed or distributed that is by due and legal notice
of the time and place of sale that may be chosen by my
Executor or Executrix Except the negro which I request
and enjoin it on my Executors or Executrix that they
may each family or separately if they may choose
have the selection to the purchaser or purchasers whom
will give what shall be a reasonable price to be adjudged
by five disinterested Persons chosen and selected by the
Clerk of ordinary of this County and if the Person selected
by the negroes for negro should not wish to purchase
to have the privilege to select a gain and a gain for
the purpose of carrying out my designs as before stated
until they may find a purchaser until all reasonable
time may be given or that they may find a purchaser
the whole effects of my property when sold to constitute
a fund to be disposed of as here in after directed

Third 3rd I will to Clarence Hutchins Ellington Son of
Willy T Ellington Five hundred Dollars the same
to be put out at Interest well secured and if
let to Interest to be compounded annually or if my
Executor or Executrix may think proper to invest the
aforsaid sum or sums in Georgia Railroads to do
so and this amount as before stated with what it may
accumulate to be paid to said Clarence Hutchins Ellington
when he arrives at the age of twenty one years old and
if he does not live to that age and shall leave a law
ful heir of his body or heirs then and in that case to be
paid to such heir or heirs equally divided but if said
Clarence Hutchins Ellington shall die before he arrives

(171) at the age of twenty one years of age and shall leave
no Lawfull Heir or Heirs of his body as before stated then
the aforesaid sum whatever that may be to Revert back to
my Estate and to become a part thereof to be divided as herein
after directed

Fourth 4th I will out of the funds to be raised as stated in
the second clause of this my Will to Miss Lora Loftin
the sum of Five Hundred Dollars

Fifth 5th I will out of the funds to be raised as stated in
the second clause of this my Will to Lindsay & Smith
the sum of Five Hundred Dollars

Sixth 6th I will that each of my Negroes young and old
be paid twenty five Dollars annually until paid
one & hundred Dollars each except my Negro Man
Thomas and he is to have fifty Dollars paid him annually
until paid five hundred Dollars there several sums is
to be paid out of the general funds by my Executors or Executor
for which a Voucher for each sum paid shall be attested
or witnessed by at least two witnesses one of them being a
Justice of the Peace and if my said Executors or Executor
in their discretion shall seem fit & proper so to do tha
may not sell my Man Thomas as before directed but
hire him and in case tha do I request of them to allow
him all the liberty compatible with Justice to earn some
thing for his own use & Benefit - what he may earn over
and above a common field hand he being a mechanic

Seventh 7th I will that my Executors or Executor cause to be
erected a stone or Brick wall over the grave
of my departed Husband Wiley Thompson and
enclosed with Iron fencing

Eighth 8th I will that if it shall so happen that what I
have willed herein to Clarence Hutchins Ellington
as described in the third clause of this my Will
shall revert back and become a part of my Estate
whatever that may be that it be equally divided between
Miss Lora Loftin Lindsay & Smith and George W Allen

Ninth 9th I will after Paying all my just debts special
Legacies and Expenses that may accrue by Reason
thereof as before stated the Remainder of the General
Fund whatever that may be I will and bequeath
to George W Allen

Tenth 10th I nominate and appoint Lindsay & Smith
and George W Allen my Executors to carry

out this my last Will declaring that if I had ~~left~~
Confidence & would have in some part otherwise ordered
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and directed but have my self www.georgiapioneers.com Those whom have
Nominated and appointed as my Executor have committed to
them request and charges with discretionary power he fore stated
In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal
this Eleventh day of December ^{one thousand eight} one thousand eight
hundred and fifty five

In presence of
Thomas D. Billard
John McClarkan
John W. Billard

Elizabeth Thompson (L)

Georgia 3 Court of ordinary August Term 1858
Elbert County 3 Personally came in 10 o'clock Court John
McClarkan one of the Subscribing witnesses to said
will and being sworn saith that he saw Elizabeth M.
Thompson sign the will in and foregoing instrument
of writing as her last will and testament and he
together with Thomas D. Billard and John W. Billard
Signed the same as witnesses in the presence of each
other and at the request of the testatrix and this
deponent believes the testatrix to have been of sound
mind and memory at the time she executed the same
sworn to in open court
This 2^d day of August 1858 John McClarkan
W H Edwards ordinary

Georgia 3 Court of ordinary August Term
Elbert County 3 1858 The foregoing and within
will of Elizabeth Thompson deceased having been
proved at the regular Term of the Court on the oath
of John McClarkan one of the subscribing witnesses
to said will it is ordered and adjudged by the Court
that the same be recorded This 2^d day of August 1858
W H Edwards ordinary

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