

Felix G Edwards Will 1856

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Georgia } In the Name of God
Elbert County } I Felix G Edwards do make publish and declare
} This my last will and Testament Item 1st it is my
will and desire that my just debts be paid with out delay to
my wife

Item 2nd) it is my will and desire that all my Estate both real
& personal subject to the power herein given to my Executor be kept
to gether for the just use and benefit of my wife Eliza Ann Edwards
and my four children to wit Sarah Eliza Edwards Tallulah Adonia
Felix Gilbert and Ella Julia

Item 3rd) it is my will and desire that said Estate be Kept
to gether and not Distributed Except in manner and form as
follows on the arrival of age or marriage of either of my said children
it is my desire that my personal Estate be divided into five equal
parts or shares from which the child so arriving at age or marriage
may draw one lot or share and the remainder shall be Kept together
as before until a. other child arrives at age or marriage when a
second division shall be had as before and so on until the last
child arrives at age or marries

Item 4th) it is my will should my wife Eliza Edwards marry
again that she draw her part or share from said Estate in the same
manner as provided in the foregoing Item upon the marriage or arrival
at age of my children

Item 5th)

it is further my will and desire that my Executors have
authority to sell the whole or such portions as they may deem proper
of my real Estate and invest the same in other real Estate for Planting the
purposes and I do impower my Executors to invest in lands and negroes
for the purposes aforesaid the rents issues and profits of my said Estate
real and personal and in order to carry on the planting business I
impower my Executors to employ overseer and do all other acts necessary
there to

Item 6th)

when the last of my children marries or arrives at age it is my will
and desire that all my real Estate be sold and the proceeds divided between
them and my wife Eliza Edwards Equally and share and share a
like

Item 7th) it is further my will and desire that my children be properly
Educated the expenses to be paid out of the general fund arising at the

time out of the probate of Elbert County Georgia Wills 1836 to 1860
Item 8th)

I appoint William G. Leade & Henry P. Hattox my Executors to execute this my last will and Testament in witness whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name in the presence of the under signed witnesses who have also signed the same in presence of said Testator and of each other this January 26th 1856

William G. Nunnelly }
Joseph Watkins }
Thomas Balchin }
Felix G. Edwards

Georgia } Court of Ordinary March Term 1856
Elbert County } Personally came in to open court Joseph C. J. Watkins
and Thomas Balchin Two of the Subscribing witnesses
to the above and foregoing will and being sworn saith that they were
present and saw Felix G. Edwards sign the said instrument of writing
as his last will and Testament together with William G. Nunnelly
and that these deponents signed the same as witnesses in the presence
of the Testator and in the presence of each other and at the request of
the Testator and these deponents believe the Testator to have been of sound
mind and memory at the time he executed the same
Sworn to in open court
this 3d of March 1856 }
Wm B Helms ordinary }
Joseph Watkins
Thomas Balchin

Georgia } Court of Ordinary March Term 1856
Elbert County } the within will and Testament of Felix G. Edwards
deceased having been proven at this regular term of
the Court on the oath of Joseph C. J. Watkins & Thomas Balchin Two of
the Subscribing witnesses to the same it is ordered by the Court to be
Recorded this 3d of March 1856
Wm B Helms ordinary

Georgia } Court of Ordinary March Term 1856
Elbert County } Personally came in to open court Henry P. Hattox
& William G. Leade the Persons named as executors
in the will of Felix G. Edwards deceased & declining to qualify
as executors to said will this 3d of March 1856
W. G. Leade
H. P. Hattox