

of writing as his last will and Testament and that they together with John M. Haynes signed ^{Elbert County Georgia Wills 1835 to 1860} ~~the~~ ^{www.georgiapioneers.com} testator and at his request and in the presence of each other and that these deponents believe the testator was of sound mind at the time of executing the same

sworn to in open Court this 15th

day of January 1845

Attest Wm. B. Nelson, c.c.o.

Hiram Brown

Hudson B. Sullivan

Georgia } Court of ordinary January Term 1845
Elbert County } upon reading & examining the within will of John Skelton It is ordered by the Court that the same be Recorded

Attest Wm. B. Nelson, c.c.o.

Recorded the 14th day of January 1845

Wm. B. Nelson, c.c.o.

James Clark's Will 1845.

In the name of God Amen. I James Clark of the County of Elbert and State of Georgia being in sound mind but much afflicted in body and calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all mankind once to die do make and ordain this my last will and Testament. - Imprimis. It is my will that after my death my body be decently buried and as touching such worldly goods as it has been pleased God to bless me with I do give and devise in the following manner and form. - It is my will that all my just debts be paid. - I do give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Flora Clark all my property both real and personal to be managed and controlled by my Executor for the mutual support of my wife and children and the advancement of my estate. It is also my will that if my wife should marry before all my children come of age in that event I leave it discretionary with my Executor if they should think it for the best to sell of my estate and equally divide the proceeds between my wife and children and in the event she should not marry it is my will that at her death my estate both real and personal be sold and equally divided amongst all my children and as my children come of age or marry they receive such part of my estate as my Executor may think proper to be considered as a part of their portion of my estate at the final division. I do hereby nominate and appoint my wife Flora Clark my Executrix and Elbert Brown and James E. Brown my Executors to this my last will and Testament giving them full power and authority to manage my estate in any manner they may best to promote the peace and happiness of my wife and children and the

advancement of my estate. and I do hereby revoke and disannul all former wills, ratifying and confirming this my last will and Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this may 28th 1844.

Hiram Brown
Wiley B. Brown
Eppie White, J. P.

James Clark

Georgia } Court of ordinary July Term 1845.
Elbert County } Personally came into open Court Wiley B. Brown and being sworn saith that he was present and saw James Clark sign & seal the within instrument of writing as his last will and Testament and that this deponent together with Hiram Brown and Eppie signed the same as witnesses all in the presence of each other and in the presence of the Testator and at his request and this deponent believes the Testator was of sound mind and memory at the time he executed the same
sworn to in open Court this 7th day of July 1845. } Wiley B. Brown
Attest W^m B. Nelms, c. c. o.

Elbert County Georgia
Court of ordinary July Term 1845.
It is ordered by the Court that the within will be Recorded.
Attest W^m B. Nelms, c. c. o.
Recorded the 7th of July 1845 W^m B. Nelms, c. c. o.

John Hansard's Will 1845.

In the name of God Amen this First day of May in the year of our Lords one Thousand Eight Hundred and Forty Five, I John Hansard of the County of Elbert being weak in body but of sound mind and memory thanks be given unto God the same and called to mind that it is appointed for all me once to die do make and ordain this my last will and Testament willing my soul to God who gave it and my body to be buried in a decent christian like manner and as touching such worldly goods as it has pleased God to bless me with I give and devise in the following manner and form to wit.
It is my will that all my just debts be paid out of my estate and the balance to be disposed of as follows. I give unto my wife Jane Hansard thirty acres of land more or less sit being the tract whereon I now live I also give unto her of my household and kitchen furniture to dispose of as she shall think proper