

James F. Minnelce Will 1838

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Georgia Elbert County. Decr. 15th 1837. In the name of God Amen I James F. Minnelce Senr. being of sound mind and knowing the uncertainty of life do make this my last will and testament, hereby revoking all wills heretofore made by me.

1^{stly} I will that all my just debts and funeral expences be paid by my Executors who will hereafter be named.

2^{ndly} I will that my present crop of cotton be sold and the proceeds appropriated to the payment of my debts according to the first item.

3^{rdly} I will that my present crop of corn & other oats & the stock of cattle and hogs be appropriated to the use of my family.

4^{thly} I leave to my beloved wife Jane Minnelce the following negroes (to wit; Clarissa a woman, Dick a man, Isaac a large Boy & Patience a girl with all the household & kitchen furniture, two horses, of her own choosing also the use of the land whereon I now live during her life or widowhood, at her death or marriage to be equally divided between my children, Willis the heirs of Thowel the heirs of Charlotta Benton Oaman, Simeon, Sarah Bolton, Eliza Burton, Nancy Burton, Martha Wall, Sophia Mattox, Jane Nelson, & Elizabeth Minnelce, except the land which will be otherwise willed.

5^{thly} To my son James F. Minnelce I will and bequeath the tract of land whereon I now live on Coody's creek adjoining John F. Edwards, Wiley Wall, William N. Richardson & William Rich. containing two hundred and fifty acres be the same more or less, with this reservation his mother Jane Minnelce to live on it during her life or widowhood as above specified and he the said James F. Minnelce is to look after all the business of the plantation, all the plantation tools of all sorts with the wozgon, oxen, bottle, shays, I will equally to both he and his mother for the use of the plantation during her life or widowhood & at her death to belong to him the said James F. Minnelce.

6^{thly} To my daughter Elizabeth, I will three negroes (to wit) Esther a girl Wiley a Boy & Moses a Boy also one feather bed and furniture one cow & calf some years schooling if convenient.

7^{thly} To my son Simon Minnelce I will and bequeath one negro Boy Ben.

8^{thly} To my daughter Martha Wall I will and bequeath one negro Boy Peter.

9^{thly} The Balance of my property I will to be sold and the proceeds to be equally divided between all my children and their heirs except James F. Minnelce. The property one tract of land lying in the twenty ninth District of Lee County when drawn known by number one hundred & eight containing two hundred two & one half acres, also one tract of land lying in the county of Elbert containing one hundred and three acres be the same more or less adjoining Hugh McGehee, John

within and Enos Tate, also one tract of land lying in formerly Cherokee, second section twenty first district near ^{Elbert County, Georgia Wills 1838 to 1860} ^{www.georgiapioneers.com} and eight containing forty acres, also one negro man named ~~Sped~~ ^{a man named} a negro man named Charles, one negro man named Jim this wife ~~Mary~~ ^{Mary}, a negro woman named Viner and one negro woman named Greza, also ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~house~~ ^{house} not wife & one note on Edmund H. Brewer for one thousand & fifty dollars due the twenty fifth of December eighteen hundred and thirty seven all to be equally divided between my child, even except James F. Kinnel as formerly executed -

10thly I nominate and appoint my wife Jane Kinnel & my son James F. Kinnel my executors to carry this my last will and Testament into effect. In testimony whereof I have hereunto affixed my name and affixed my seal

Wm Rich
John B. Ward
John Kinnel J.P.

James F. Kinnel 

Georgia } Court of ordinary March adjourned Term 1838.
Elbert County } Person ally came into open court William Rich, John B. Ward
and John Kinnel and being duly sworn saith that they
know James F. Kinnel sign seal and deliver the within instrument
of writing as his last will and Testament, and that they signed the same
as witnesses at the request and in the presence of the Testator and that
they believe that he was of sound disposing mind at the time of executing
the same. sworn to and subscribed in open court this the 20th day of March
1838. Attest *Wm B. Nelms, c.c.o.* *Wm Rich*

John B. Ward
John Kinnel

Georgia } Court of ordinary March adjourned Term 1838.
Elbert County } The within will of James F. Kinnel deceased having been
proved in open court on the oaths of William Rich, John B.
Ward & John Kinnel. It is ordered by the court that the same
be Recorded Attest *Wm B. Nelms, c.c.o.*
Recorded the 24th of March 1838. *Wm B. Nelms, c.c.o.*

Berager Teasley's Will 1838

In the name of God Amen. I Berager Teasley of the state of Georgia and county of Elbert being in a declining state of health but of sound mind and disposing memory after resigning my body to the grave to mingle with its mother earth and recommending my soul to God who gave it. Knowing that death is sure and the time uncertain, and feeling a disposition to make some arrangements about my worldly affairs. I therefore make the following disposition of them (to wit)

First. I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Lucy Teasley