

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 28<sup>th</sup> 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 7<sup>th</sup> day of July 1845. } Wiley B. Brown  
Attest W<sup>m</sup> 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<sup>m</sup> B. Nelms, c. c. o.  
Recorded the 7<sup>th</sup> of July 1845 W<sup>m</sup> 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 men 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 it 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

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I also give unto her my stock consisting of Cows & Hogs and plantation tools during her life time to be equally divided between my two sons Lorenzo J. Hansard and Olial H. Hansard. I also will my daughter Serena Hansard one dollar to be paid out of my estate. I also will my Corn and fodder to my wife Jane Hansard I also will unto my wife Jane Hansard a new shot Gun. I do nominate and appoint my wife Jane Hansard and Jabez Skelton Executor to this my last will and Testament giving them full power and authority to act and manage my estate according to the time of this my last will & Testament and I do hereby revoke and disannul all former will and bequeath ratifying and confirming this my last will and Testament whereof I do set my hand and seal this 1<sup>st</sup> day of May 1845.

Test Lanchlin McCurry  
James C. Brown  
Benjamin <sup>his</sup> Higginbotham  
mark

John Hansard <sup>his</sup> mark

Georgia { Court of ordinary September Term 1845  
Elbert County { Personally came Benjamin Higginbotham one of the subscribing witnesses to the above and foregoing will and being sworn saith that he saw John Hansard sign & seal the above & foregoing instrument of writing as his last will and Testament and this deponent together with Lanchlin McCurry and James C. Brown signed the same as witnesses all in the presence of the testator and at his request and in the presence of each other, and this deponent believes the testator to have been of sound mind & memory at the time he executed the same. Sworn to in open Court this 1<sup>st</sup> day of September 1845.  
Attest W<sup>m</sup> B. Nelms, c.c.o. Benjamin <sup>his</sup> Higginbotham  
mark

Court of ordinary September Term 1845.  
Upon reading the foregoing will & the same being proved according to law. It is therefore ordered by the Court that the will of John Hansard be Recorded  
Attest W<sup>m</sup> B. Nelms, c.c.o.  
Recorded the 1<sup>st</sup> day of September 1845 W<sup>m</sup> B. Nelms, c.c.o.