

solely sworn saith that he saw Enos Tate sign and seal the foregoing instrument of writing as his last will and Testament and that this deponent signed the same as a witness and saw Richard Bennett & John Hummel sign the same as witnesses all in the presence of the testator and at his request. and this deponent believes the testator was of sound mind at the time he executed the same.

Sworn to in open Court this

15th January 1845.

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

John A. Verdel

Georgia

Elbert County

Count of ordinary January Term 1845

Upon reading & examining the foregoing will of Enos Tate 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.

John Skelton Will 1845.

State of Georgia Elbert County. In the name of God Amen I, John Skelton, though in a low state of health yet in my proper mind do will and give unto my dearly beloved wife Maria P. Skelton all my estate to wit, one tract of land whereon I now live also one other tract in Palding County containing forty acres and one Negro man by the name of Shepherd twenty one year old also one cart and oxen and all other cattle also all the sheep goats and hogs belonging to the place also all the crop of corn fodder cotton and plantation tools and three likely young mares together with all the household and kitchen furniture embracing my whole effects and I John Skelton do grant give and bequeath unto my dearly beloved wife Maria P. Skelton all the aforementioned property and I John Skelton ordain and declare this to be my last will and Testament I further appoint my friend John H. Johnson Exec. and my wife Maria P. Skelton executrix. in witness of the same I hereunto set my hand and seal this 24th December 1844.

Test Hudson B. Sullivan

John M. Haynes

Hiram Brown

John Skelton

Georgia

Elbert County

Count of ordinary January Term 1845

Personally came into open Court Hiram Brown and Hudson B. Sullivan, and being sworn saith

that they saw John Skelton sign and seal the within instrument

of writing as his last will and Testament and that they together with John M. Haynes signed ^{Elbert County Georgia Wills 1838 to 1860} ~~the~~ ^{www.georgiapioneers.com} testament 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