

Georgia 3<sup>rd</sup> In the name of God Amen  
elbert Co. I Pernelia Tate of the State of Georgia & County of Elbert being  
of sound disposing mind and memory. Do make this my last  
will & Testament in form and manner following (to wit-)  
Item 1<sup>st</sup> I will that all my just debts be paid as soon after my  
decease as possible.

Item 2<sup>nd</sup> I will that whenever my grand daughter Pernelia E. J. Fortson  
the child of my daughter Catherine Fortson, marries or arrives  
at the age of twenty one years be paid by my executors five  
Hundred Dollars the amount to be raised out of the property  
belonging to my Estate - but should my said grand daughter die  
before she receives said legacy, then the said sum I will to be  
equally divided among all my children.

Item 3<sup>rd</sup> I will to my daughter Sarah's children two hundred dollars  
each (to wit-) Thomas J. Riddle, Archibelle J. Riddle, Nathaniel  
W. Riddle, Zinni O. Riddle & Anderson Riddle; the money also  
to be raised out of my Estate.

Item 4<sup>th</sup> I will that my grand daughter Pernelia J. Statham child of  
my daughter Lucy B. Statham have a negro girl named Lucy

Item 5<sup>th</sup> I will to my grand son Thomas J. Tate child of my son Lawrence  
J. J. Tate a negro boy named Tom.

Item 6<sup>th</sup> I will to my two grand daughters Beatrice Tate & Indiana Tate  
children of my son Zinni W. Tate, one hundred dollars each.

this to be paid by my executors out of property belonging to my Estate

Item 7<sup>th</sup> I will that all the balance of my property be equally  
divided amongst the balance of my children (to wit-)

Lawrence J. J. Tate, Martha M. Blough, and Lucy J. Statham

Item 8<sup>th</sup> I nominate & appoint my son Lawrence J. J. Tate & son in  
law Dr. Augustin D. Statham Executors to this my last will &  
testament; hereby revoking all others heretofore by me made.  
In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my  
seal this nineteenth day of April 1841.

Test D. F. Stocking  
Emos Tate  
Mathias Perren

Pernelia her Tate  
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Georgia Personally came Delafayett Stocking, Emos Tate and Mathias  
Elbert County Person in the three witnesses to the foregoing will before  
Thomas Johnston and Robert Hester two of the justices of  
the Superior Court of Elbert County and after the said witnesses  
being duly sworn saith that they were present and saw Pernelia Tate  
sign seal and deliver the foregoing instrument of writing as her last  
will and testament and that they each signed the same as

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witnesses in the presence and County, Georgia Wills of the State and they believe  
the Testator was of sound mind and memory at the time she executed  
the same. Sworn to before us this the 3<sup>rd</sup>  
third day of May 1841.  
Thomas Johnston J.S.C.  
Robert Hester J.S.C.

D.F. Stocking  
Elias Tate  
Mathias Perrin

Georgia County of ordinary May term 1841.  
Elbert County The within will and Testament of Fennelia Tate  
deceased having been proven before Thomas Johnston &  
Robert Hester two of the justices of the Inferior Court on the oaths  
of D.F. Stocking, Elias Tate and Mathias Perrin.  
It is ordered by the Court that the within will be Recorded  
Attest Wm. Nelson C.C.O.  
Recorded the 3<sup>rd</sup> of May 1841. Wm. Nelson C.C.O.

## John Watkins' Will 1841.

I John Watkins of Elbert County in the state of Georgia, being in perfect  
health & sound discretion & calling to mind the uncertainty of life & of all things  
do make & ordain this to be my last will & Testament -

I have already given to my daughters Lucy & Sarah all the lands I possessed  
in Abbeville district S. Carolina & lands, lots & improvements in Petersburg  
q.a. as likewise a number of negroes whose names it is useless to mention  
as they have had them for some time in possession all which I now give  
to them & their heirs forever -

I give & devise to my son John Daniel Watkins my Ragland tract of land in the  
following boundaries, viz. Beginning on Broad river at the mouth of Butram's  
creek, thence up said river to a corner white oak also the corner of lands  
granted to - Lamar, thence North twelve degrees west along said grant & in  
the same direction to Butram's creek, thence down the said creek to the  
dry fork of said creek, thence eastwardly a straight line to a stooping red  
oak corner close on the right hand of the road leading from Thomville to  
Ragland. thence a straight line eastwardly to where the road leading from Thomville  
to Petersburg crosses Stark's road which is about the line of lands granted to  
Thomas Burton. thence southwardly by the line of said grant to where it  
joins lands granted (I believe) to - Easter thence along said line southwardly  
to a large white oak on Broad river just below a ditch & thence to the  
place of beginning. Also all the negroes I have for some time put him into the  
possession of to him & his heirs forever -

I have given to my daughters Martha & Susan a number of negroes which  
I now confirm & their increase forever - I also give & devise to my daughters  
Martha & Susan to be equally divided between them the following lands viz.