

signed the same as witnesses of the Testator and at his request and in the presence of each other, and these deponents believe the Testator was possessed of sound mind and disposing memory at the time he executed the same. and these deponents further swear that they are acquainted with the hand writing of the said John Wiggins who is now deceased. and they believe that the said John Wiggins signed his own name to the two above Codicils to the above will that the signatures are genuine. Sworn to and Subscribed in open Court this 5th July 1841.

Lydia W. White

J. C. Nelms

Attest Wm B. Nelms, c. c. o.

Georgia Court of ordinary July Term 1841.

Elbert County } The foregoing last will & Testament and two codicils of John Wiggins decd having been proven at this regular term in open Court upon the oaths of Lydia W. White & James C. Nelms. Ordered that the same be admitted to record.

Attest Wm B. Nelms c. c. o.

Recorded the 5th day of July 1841. Wm B. Nelms c. c. o.William Mantz will 1841.

In the name of God Amen

I William Mantz of the State of Georgia Elbert County. being weak in body Helped of God with sound mind and memory have thought proper to make and ordain this my last will and Testament in manner and form following. 1st wish my wife Frances Mantz after my death to have my body decently buried and all of my just debts payed.

2^d. I will to Julia Chapman and to the heirs of her body one Hundred and thirty Acres of Land in Franklin County Georgia on the Sawtooth Creek joining Pulliam and Osborn also Three Hundred dollars in money or one negro slave valued to that amount which may suit my wife's convenience best. also one horse bridle and saddle one bed and furniture and one cow and calf. the above named property to be Received by Julia when she marries or at the death of my wife but if Julia should dye without having any bodily heir then the above named property to be returned back to my Estate.

3rd I will to William H. H. Fulton when he arrives to lawful age Five Hundred dollars and if he dies without an heir then his brothers and sisters to heir it.

4th I will unto Philip H. Mantz one dollar.

5th I will to Christopher W. Mantz one dollar

6th I will to Andrew Mantz one dollar

7th I will to James B. Mantz one dollar

- 8th I will to Philip H. Steffel ^{Elbert County, Georgia Wills 1836 to 1860}
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- 9th I will to William M. Steffel one dollar
- 10th I will to George F. Steffel Three Hundred and Eleven acres of Land in South Carolina in Edgefield Dist. on the head of Horse and Mountain Creek joining Hunter and others —
- 11th I will to my niece Mary Truett one good horse to the value of one Hundred dollars —
- 12th I will to Margaret Steffel James Steffel and Mary Steffel the children of John Steffel one Hundred acres of land whereon John Steffel now resides and if either of the above named children should die without an heir the surviving ones to have their share.
- 13th I give unto my beloved wife Frances Manty all of the balance of my estate both real and personal which is not disposed of above with the real estate I hold in South Carolina I also I also desire that my wife would contribute to the support of the Gospel while she lives or at her death such a portion as she may feel to give of estate for that purpose —
- 14th I hereby constitute and appoint my beloved wife Frances Manty my Executrix to execute this my last will and Testament with authority to sell any of the estate real or personal at any time she may think best either at public or private sale and I hereby disannul all other wills, and make void all other forms or Testaments heretofore written made or appointed.
- In witness I here unto set my hand and affix my seal and publish this my last will and Testament this twenty first day of May Eighteen Hundred and Forty one.
- Signed in Presence of
- Horatio J. Goff
G. F. Steffel
Nolen Brown
- William Manty 

Georgia } Count of ordinary September Term 1841.
Elbert County } Personally came into open Court Horatio J Goff and Nolen Brown and being sworn said that they were present and saw William Manty sign and acknowledge the within instrument of writing as his last will and Testament and that they together with George F. Steffel signed the same as witnesses in the presence of the testator and in the presence of each other and at the request of the testator and that they believe the testator was of sound mind at the time he executed the same sworn to in open Court this 6th of September 1841.

Attest , Nelson, C.C.O.

Horatio J. Goff
Nolen Brown

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Georgia Court of Probate for Term 1841.
 Elbert County ordered by the Court that the within will be
 Recorded 6th Sept 1841.

Attest Wm B. Nelson c.c.

Recorded the 8th day of September 1841. Wm B. Nelson, c.c.

John Smith's Will 1841

In the name of God Amen I John Smith of the State of Georgia & County of Elbert being much afflicted in my last moments in mind & knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make & ordain this my last will & Testament willing my soul to God who gave it & my body to be buried in a decent Christian like manner. & as touching such worldly goods as it has pleased God to bless me with I give and devise in the following manner & form, to wit. It is my will that all my just debts be paid out of my estate & the balance to be divided as follows. I give unto my son William Smith my clay bank filly & one read heifer. one bed & furniture. I give unto my son Westley Smith one bed & furniture. I do give unto my son Singleton Smith in trust for my son Oppy M. Smith my land & plantation whereon now live with all my other property that I have not willed away to be managed & imployed by him for the support & benefit of the said Oppy Smith & I do appoint him the said Singleton Smith Guardian for the said Oppy M. Smith & in the event that the said Singleton should refuse to accept the trusteeship above named then & in that event I do appoint my son John Smith giving him the same power as is given to Singleton Smith. I do give unto my wife Agnes Smith Two dollars. I wish my negroe woman Grace to be sold by my lawful Executor & the proceeds to be Equally divided between my children to wit. Fielden Smith. Nathaniel Smith. Jesse Smith. Larkin Smith. John Smith. Singleton Smith. William Smith Westley Smith Oppy M. Smith I do nominate & appoint James Carpenter Executor to this my last will & Testament given him full power & authority to act & manage my estate according to the tenor of this my last will & Testament and I do hereby revoke & disannull all former wills & bequeaths ratifying & confirming this my last will & Testament in witness whereof I do set my hand & seal this fourteenth day of June 1841.

John Highsmith
 Richmond & Shelton
 Barrabon Barron

John Smith Seal